



TENSAS BASIN LEVEE DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING

Board of Commissioners

Tuesday, August 12, 2025, at 9:30 AM

505 District Drive Monroe, LA

MINUTES

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Roll Call

Mr. Drew Keahey, the President, called the meeting to order and requested the Secretary call the roll with the following present and answering:

PRESENT

President Drew Keahey
Vice President Rodney Hutchins
Commissioner Dick Zeagler
Commissioner Scott Mathews
Commissioner Harris Brown
Commissioner Robert Neal Harwell
Commissioner Mike Calloway
Commissioner Ashley Peters
Commissioner Kenneth Wilson

ABSENT

Commissioner Michael Costello
Commissioner Dustin Morris

Others in attendance were Mr. Brandon Waggoner, Executive Director of Tensas Basin Levee District; Mr. Justin Holloway, Operations Superintendent of Tensas Basin Levee District; Aundi Brown, Board Secretary of Tensas Basin Levee District; Mr. Michael Street, Attorney for Tensas Basin Levee District; Max Tullos USACE; Susan Douglas; and Ash Mohammad, DOTD.

Prayer

President Drew Keahey opened the meeting with prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

Action

1. Minutes of the July 2025 Meeting

Motion made by Commissioner Zeagler, seconded by Commissioner Harwell, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President Drew Keahey called for public comments, and there were none, to wit

RESOLUTION

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does at this moment declare that the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of July 2025 is at this moment dispensed with and declared approved as published in the official journal of this board, The News-Star.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

2. Bills for July 2024

A motion made by Commissioner Peters, seconded by Commissioner Brown, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President Drew Keahey called for public comments, and there were none, to wit:

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District hereby approves the payment of all bills and statements reviewed and approved by the Financial Committee for July 2025.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

3. Open Bids for 44.7 Acres in Franklin Parish

The following bills were received

1. James Moore \$10.00 per acre
2. Timothy Dostzer \$11.00 per acre
3. Jimmy Aymond \$112.00 per acre

A motion made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Mathews, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President Drew Keahey called for public comments, and there were none, to wit to accept the bid from Jimmy Aymond:

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District hereby accepts the bid of \$112.00 per acre from Jimmy Aymond for the 44.7-acre land lease in Franklin Parish.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

4. Approve Placing Surplus Equipment Items in Exhibit A out for bid

A motion made by Vice President Hutchins, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President Drew Keahey called for public comments, and there were none, to wit:

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District hereby approves placing the surplus equipment items in Exhibit A out for bid.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

5. Approve Donation of Surplus Equipment items in Exhibit B to Caldwell Parish Sheriff's Department.

A motion made by Commissioner Calloway, seconded by Commissioner Brown, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President Drew Keahey called for public comments, and there were none, to wit:

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District hereby approves the donation of items in Exhibit B to Caldwell Parish Sheriff's Office..

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

6. Approve Donation of Surplus Equipment items in Exhibit C to Catahoula Parish Sheriff's Department.

A motion made by Commissioner Mathews, seconded by Commissioner Harwell, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President Drew Keahey called for public comments, and there were none, to wit:

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District hereby approves the donation of items in Exhibit C to Catahoula Parish Sheriff's Office..

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

7. Approve Donation of Surplus Equipment items in Exhibit D to the West Carroll Parish Sheriff's Department.

A motion made by Commissioner Harwell, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President Drew Keahey called for public comments, and there were none, to wit:

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District hereby approves the donation of items in Exhibit D to the West Carroll Parish Sheriff's Office.. (Commissioner Mathews abstained from voting on this item).

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

8. Approve Destruction of Equipment in Exhibit E (Equipment is no longer usable.)

A motion made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President Drew Keahey called for public comments, and there were none, to wit:

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District hereby approves the destruction of equipment no longer usable

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

9. Transfer Campsite JB-3 from David Bradford to Allen Hudnell

A motion made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Vice President Hutchins, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President Drew Keahey called for public comments, and there were none, to wit:

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District hereby approves the transfer of Campsite JB-3 from David Bradford to Allen Hudnell.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

10. Transfer Campsite SB-23 from Adron Gardner to Nephew Bradley McDaniel

A motion made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Peters, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President Drew Keahey called for public comments, and there were none, to wit:

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District hereby approves the transfer of campsite SD-23 from Adron Gardner to Bradley McDaniel.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

11. Accept appraisal for 160 acres in Richland Parish (Addison Thompson)

A motion made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President Drew Keahey called for public comments, and there were none, to wit:

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District hereby approves accepting the appraisal for 160 acres in Richland Parish, totalling \$240,000.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

12. Recommend Board Member for CURRENT Board

A motion made by Commissioner Mathews, seconded by Wilson, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President Drew Keahey called for public comments, and there were none, to wit:

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District hereby nominates Commissioner Harris Brown to serve as the TBLD Representative on the CURRENT Board.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

13. Executive Session

A motion made by Commissioner Mathews, seconded by Commissioner Wllson, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President Drew Keahey called for public comments, and there were none, to wit: to enter into Executive session

A motion made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Zeagler, and passed unanimously by the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President Drew Keahey called for public comments, and there were none, to wit: to enter back into regular session.

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District hereby approves offering a retirement incentive package to employees eligible for retirement pending Louisiana State Civil Service Approval.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

Requests

Presentations

Items for Discussion

14. We are planning to replace the gate at Chauvin to help with security measures on the levee.

The Sicily Island Levee Slides are awaiting bids to be submitted to USACE for the project to be awarded.

Financial Statements

15. Financial Statements were reviewed and discussed.

Public Comment

Levee Projects.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11:02 am.

Next Meeting Sept 8th, 2025, 9:30am