



TENSAS BASIN LEVEE DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
Board of Commissioners
Tuesday, August 13, 2024, 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 roll with the following present and answering:

PRESENT

President Drew Keahey
Vice President Rodney Hutchins
Commissioner Dick Zeagler
Commissioner Johnny Turner, Sr.
Commissioner Mike Calloway
Commissioner Robert Neal Harwell

ABSENT

Commissioner Kenneth Wilson
Commissioner Michelle Collum
Commissioner Ashley Peters
Commissioner Antwain Downs
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; Mr. Michael Street Attorney for Tensas Basin Levee District, Max Tullos USACE;

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 2024 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 2, 2024, 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

Motion made by Commissioner Calloway, seconded by Commissioner Turner, 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 hereby approve paying of all bills & statements reviewed and approved by the financial committee for July 2024.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

3. Opening of Bids for Surplus Property on Brown Rd.

Motion made by Commissioner Zeagler, 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

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District authorizes the sale of property on Brown Rd. to the highest bidder, Dan Wallace, for \$52,000.00.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

4. Open Bids for the 79.54-acre hunting lease in Morehouse Parish

Motion made by Commissioner Calloway, Seconded by Commissioner Turner 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

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does hereby award Jefferey Morris the 79.54 acre hunting lease for \$10.50 per acre, totaling \$835.17.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

5. Open the Bidding Process for 22 Acre Hunting Lease in Catahoula

Motion made by Commissioner Harwell, seconded by Vice President Hutchins, and passed unanimously by the Board of the 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 Tensas Basin Levee District Board of Commissioners agree to open the bidding process for Hunting lease #7 in Catahoula Parish 22 acres.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

6. Amend Policy from June 2000, listing all Computers as Fixed Assets

A motion was made by Commissioner Calloway seconded by Commissioner Turner, 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 for the Tensas Basin Levee District does approve amending the policy requiring all agency computers to be listed as fixed assets within the agency records.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

7. Transfer Campsite BHB-2B from Frank Jordan (deceased) & Thelma LaVerne Jordan to their son Frank Jacob Jordan, II.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zeagler, 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 for the Tensas Basin Levee District does approve the transfer of campsite BHB-2B from Frank & Thelma Jordan to their son Frank Jacob Jordan, II.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

8. Adopt the 2024 Millage Rate

Vice President Hutchins made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Calloway, and passed unanimously after polling the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President Drew Keahey called for public comments. There were none, to wit.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does hereby adopt the Millage rate of 4.59 for the 2024 tax year.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

9. Open the Bidding for Phase 2 of the New TBLD Administration Building

A motion was 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 for the Tensas Basin Levee District does approve opening the bidding for phase 2 of the TBLD Administration Building.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

10. Open the Bidding for Phase 2 of the New TBLD Maintenance Building

A motion was made by Commissioner Zeagler, seconded by Vice President 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 for the Tensas Basin Levee District does approve opening the bidding for phase 2 of the TBLD Maintenance Building.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

11. Explore the possibility of entering a CEA with East Columbia Water

Vice President Hutchins made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Turner, and passed unanimously after polling the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District after President Drew Keahey called for public comments. There were none, to wit.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does hereby agree to explore entering into a CEA with East Columbia Water Company.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

12. Open the Bidding for Phase 2 of the New TBLD Administration Building

A motion was made by Vice President Hutchins, 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 do hereby authorize Brandon Waggoner & Aundi Brown to withdraw funds, and close accounts with Wells Fargo Investments and Move those funds into TBLD ICS Accounts at Caldwell Bank.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

Public Comments

Presentations

Items for Discussion

Financial Statements

14. Financial Statements were reviewed and discussed.

Items for Discussion**Levee Updates****Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

Next Meeting September 10, 2024, 9:30 am