



**TENSAS BASIN LEVEE DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
Board of Commissioners
Tuesday, January 9, 2024, at 9:30 AM
505 District Drive Monroe, LA**

MINUTES

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations during this meeting should notify the Tensas Basin Levee District Board of Commissioners at 318-323-1130 at least three working days before the meeting.

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

Commissioner Mike Calloway
Commissioner Kenneth Wilson
Commissioner Antwain Downs
President Drew Keahey
Vice President Rodney Hutchins
Commissioner Dick Zeagler
Commissioner Robert Neal Harwell
Commissioner Ashley Peters
Commissioner Johnny Turner

ABSENT

Commissioner Michelle Collum
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. Dylan McIntosh, DOTD. Mr. Michael Street Attorney for Tensas Basin Levee District.

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 November 2023 Meeting

Motion made by Commissioner Calloway, Seconded by Commissioner Downs, 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 November 14, 2023, 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 December 2023

Motion made by Commissioner Peters, 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 reviewed and approved by the financial committee for December 2023.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

3. Executive Session (Waggoner Contract & Street Contract)

Motion made by Commissioner Calloway, seconded by Commissioner Peters, 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:

The Board Entered into Executive Session at 9:34 am.

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 9:47am

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does now agree to renew the contracts of Executive Director E. Brandon Waggoner and TBLD Attorney Michael Street.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

4. Liability Insurance Proposals

Motion made by Commissioner Wilson, and seconded by Commissioner Zeagler, to remain with current insurance provider Forth Insurance company, previously known as Thomas & Farr Insurance.

RESOLUTION

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District does hereby approve to remain with the current Insurance provider Forth Insurance Agency for our 2024 Liability insurance.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

5. Authorize advertisement of bidding for Davis Lake Pump Station

Motion made by Commissioner Turner and seconded by Commissioner Calloway to advertise for bids for the Davis Lake Pump Station Project once permit is received by TBLD.

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Board of Commissioners for the Tensas Basin Levee District does authorize the TBLD staff to advertise for bidding for the Davis Lake Pump Station Project.

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

6. Authorize advertisement of 43 Acre Farming Lease in Franklin Parish

Motion made by Commissioner Zeagler and seconded by Commissioner Wilson to advertise for bids on the 43-acre Farm Lease in Franklin Parish that is available.

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Board of Commissioners for the Tensas Basin Levee District does authorize the TBLD staff to advertise for 43 acres to be leased as farmland in Franklin parish

Aundi Brown
Secretary

Drew Keahey
President

Public Comments

Presentations

Financial Statements

Financial Statements were reviewed and discussed.

Items for Discussion

Levee Updates

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 10:26 a.m.

Next Meeting February 6, 2024