

REGULAR MEETING  
August 1, 2018

The Board of Commissioners for the Lafourche Basin Levee District met this day in regular session at its official domicile at 21380 Hwy. 20 in Vacherie, Louisiana and was called to order by its President Michael McKinney, Sr. at 6:00 p.m.

Present: COMMISSIONERS... President Michael McKinney, Sr., Ascension Parish; Craig Carter, Assumption Parish; Stanley Folsé, St. James Parish; Kevin Hebert, St. Charles Parish; Jeffery Henry, Ascension Parish; James Jasmin, St. James Parish; Whitney Jasmin, Jr., St. John the Baptist Parish; Russell Loupe, St. Charles Parish; Eric Matherne, St. Charles Parish; Marlin Rogers, St. Charles Parish; and Gary Watson, St. John the Baptist Parish were present.

A quorum was present to conduct business.

Messrs. Larry Buquoi, Attorney; Ivy Chauvin, Sr., Assistant Executive Director, Donald Ray Henry, Executive Director and Sara Long, Human Resource Specialist were present.

The meeting opened with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

There were no audience comments in reference to agenda items.

On motion of Commissioner Stanley Folsé, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Hebert, and unanimously approved, the minutes of the regular meeting July 2, 2018 be accepted and filed in the minutes of the Board.

On motion of Commissioner Eric Matherne, seconded by Commissioner Marlin Rogers, and unanimously approved, the following report of cash available for distribution of the month of July 31, 2018 be accepted and filed in the minutes of the Board.

FIRST AMERICAN BANK:	
Checking account balance June 2018	228,684.47
Deposits: Revenues/Refund	15,561.55
Matured D-Notes	840,000.00
Interest on Checking	19.07
Funds Transferred In	.00
Total Cash Available	\$ 1,084,265.19
Cash Disbursements: Operating Expenses	801,353.07
Purchased D-Notes	.00
Funds Transferred Out	.00
FIRST AMERICAN BANK BALANCE July 31, 2018	228,912.12
INVESTMENTS: Discount Notes	11,994,214.63
TOTAL BOOK BALANCE FOR: July 31, 2018	\$12,277,126.75

On motion of Commissioner Eric Matherne, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Hebert, the following resolution was proposed and unanimously adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED that St. Charles Parish President authorize the Lafourche Basin Levee District to begin operations and maintenance on portion of the West Bank Hurricane Protection Levee System, known and designated as the Ellington Levee from Station 150+00 to 170+00, be granted.

On motion of Commissioner Marlin Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Jeffery Henry, the following resolution was proposed.

BE IT RESOLVED that Lafourche Basin Levee District authorize St. Charles Parish Right-Of-Entry for Construction on the West Bank Hurricane Protection Levee-Ellington Drainage Pump Station from Station No. 10+00.00 to Station No. 85+00.00, be granted.

On motion of Commissioner Stanley Folse, seconded by Commissioner Craig Carter, the following resolution was proposed and unanimously adopted.

BE IT REOSLVED that the request from Rampart Resources on behalf of Energy to perform a feasibility study for a proposed power line route in St. Charles Parish, Louisiana on SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 108, T13S/R20E, property owned by the Lafourche Basin Levee District, be granted.

On motion of Commissioner Gary Watson, seconded by Commissioner Stanley Folse, the following resolution was proposed and unanimously adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners authorize the United States Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District to conduct surveys, soil borings, environmental and cultural resources investigations, and hazardous, toxic and radiological waste assessments in connections with the Mississippi River and Tributaries, Lower Mississippi and Upper Lafourche Seepage Berm, B/L Sta. 6170+00 to B/L Sta. 50+00, Ascension Parish, Louisiana, be granted.

On motion of Commissioner Eric Matherne, seconded by Commissioner Russell Loupe, the following resolution was proposed and unanimously adopted.

BE RESOLVED that the proposal to change and amend the existing paragraph 2 of Article VII Section1-Rules of Order of the By-Laws of the Lafourche Basin Levee District, Board of Commissioners to the Louisiana State Law, Revised Statue 42:19, which requires an unanimous vote to add an item to a noticed agenda of a public body, be granted.

On motion of Commissioner Stanley Folse, seconded by Commissioner Craig Carter, the following resolution was proposed and unanimously adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED that the proposal to change and amend Article III, Officers, Section 1 of the By-Laws of the Lafourche Basin Levee District Board of Commissioners to allow for the selection and election of officers as per an in accordance with the procedure.

Commissioner James Jasmin, St. James Parish is present.

Mr. Mark Roberts, Burke-Kleinpeter, Inc., Mr. Nick Matherne, Aptium, and Mr. Oneil Malbrough, GIS Engineering, LLC. gave an update report and answered questions on the Upper Barataria Risk Reduction Project. Mr. Roberts requested to be present at the next two committee meetings to give more frequent reports and October regular meeting to report the final submittal.

On motion of Commissioner James Jasmin, seconded by Commissioner Jeffery Henry, the following resolution was proposed and unanimously adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED the recommendation of the Personnel Committee concerning a personnel matter to allow Arthur Gallagher Insurance Company Counsel to handle the matter, if unable the Board of Commissioners authorize to hire outside Counsel to handle this personnel matter, be granted.

On motion of Commissioner James Jasmin, seconded by Commissioner Eric Matherne, the following resolution was proposed and unanimously adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED that the recommendation from the Personnel Committee concerning the cost of living salary increase for Assistant Executive Director Ivy Chauvin, be tabled.

No recommendation by the Personnel Committee concerning the July 2, 2018 incident.

President McKinney announced that the nominations were in order for President.

Commissioner Craig Carter nominated Commissioner James Jasmin, seconded by Commissioner Eric Matherne.

President McKinney called three times for any other nominations.

There were no other nominations.

On motion of Commissioner Eric Matherne and seconded by Commissioner Marlin Rogers. Commissioner James Jasmin is declared President by acclamation.

President McKinney announced that the nominations were in order for Vice-President.

Commissioner Marlin Rogers nominated Commissioner Eric Matherne, seconded by Commissioner Gary Watson.

President McKinney called three times for any other nominations.

There were no other nominations.

On a motion of Commissioner Kevin Hebert, seconded by

Commissioner James Jasmin, Commissioner Eric Matherne is declared Vice-President by acclamation.

On motion of Commissioner Eric Matherne, seconded by Commissioner Marlin Rogers, the following resolution was proposed to amend the agenda to add the request that the Boards Attorney Larry Buquoi obtain a written opinion from the Ethics Board in reference to Commissioners capability of voting on a issue that was previously abstained from voting.

Roll Call Vote thereon as follows:

YEAS: Stanley Folse, Craig Carter, Marlin Rogers, Jeffery Henry, Gary Watson, Russell Loupe, James Jasmin, Eric Matherne, Whitney Jasmin, Kevin Hebert, Michael McKinney

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

By a roll call vote of 11 yeas, 1 nays, 0 abstained and 0 absent the motion carried.

On motion of Commissioner Eric Matherne, seconded by Commissioner Russell Loupe, the following resolution was proposed.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board Attorney Larry Buquoi acquire a written opinion from the Ethics Board in reference to Commissioners Commissioners capability of voting on a issue that was previously abstained from voting

Commissioner Russell Loupe made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Jeffery Henry seconded his motion.

  
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