**Committee Meeting**

**July 14, 2021**

**The Board of Commissioners for the Lafourche Basin Levee District met as a Committee of the Whole this day at its official domicile at 21380 Highway 20 in Vacherie, Louisiana. The public was invited to attend via Teleconference and at the LBLD office in accordance with the Louisiana Governor’s Proclamation Number 117-JBE 2021 Renewal of State Emergency for COVID-19, Extension of Emergency Provisions, LBLD office will continue to require all individuals to wear a face covering over the nose and mouth, unless the person has been fully vaccinated with a Covid-19 vaccine. You can refer to gov.louisiana.gov for guideline exceptions. The meeting was called to order by its President, James P. Jasmin, at 6:00 P.M.**

**The following Commissioners were in attendance: Craig Carter, Assumption Parish; Whitney Jasmin, Jr., St. John the Baptist Parish; Eric Matherne, St. Charles Parish; Marlin Rogers, St. Charles Parish; Michael McKinney, Sr., Ascension Parish; Gary Watson, St. John the Baptist Parish; J** **Russell Loupe, St. Charles Parish; James Jasmin, St. James Parish; Jeffery Henry, Ascension Parish and Kevin Hebert, St. Charles Parish. Donald Henry, Executive Director and Ivy Chauvin, Assistant Executive Director were present. Larry Buquoi, Attorney was absent.**

**Commissioner made the motion to adopt the agenda. Commsioner seconded his motion. The motion passed.**

**There were no comments from the audience on the agenda items.**

**Building Committee Report: Larry Sorapuru, Chairman**

**Commissioner Sorapuru reported that Mr. Joseph Savoie with C.J. Savoie Consulting Engineering will update the Board.**

**Safety Committee Report: Arthur J. Bosworth, IV, Chairman**

**Commissioner Bosworth reported that there were no lost time accidents. The Safety Meeting for the Maintenance Department was held on July 8, 2012 for the Sunset location and on July 12, 2021 for the Vacherie location and started at 6:00 AM. Four films from the National Safety Council were discussed at the Vacherie location and three films were shown at the Sunset location. They were as follows:**

**Beyond Safe Driving – Utility Cart Safety (Vacherie)**

**Intersections (Vacherie)**

**Proper Management Safety – Fire Prevention (Vacherie)**

**Heat Stress: Facts & Prevention for Construction (Vacherie)**

**Stop The Bleeding (Sunset)**

**Eye Safety (Sunset)**

**Machine Guards (Sunset)**

**The next safety meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 9, 2021 at 6:00 A.M.**

**Equipment Committee Report: Jeffery Henry, Chairman**

**Commissioner Henry reported that all of the district’s light and heavy-duty equipment is presently operational. All equipment is located on their respective job sites or here at the maintenance shop.**

**Upper Barataria Project Committee Report: Eric Matherne, Chairman**

**Vice-President Matherne reported that there will be two public meetings being held pertaining to the Upper Barataria Risk Reduction Project - on January 7, 2020 at the Eddie Dufrene Community Center in Luling, LA at 6:00 pm and on January 9, 2020 at the Thibodaux Library in Thibodaux, LA at 5:00 pm. He also stated that they are still working on getting answers for CPRA on the Sunset Project.**

**Bayou Napoleon/Bayou Verret Committee Report: Gary Watson, Chairman**

**Commissioner Watson reported that the bayou napoleon project is moving along slowly now. The weather has been slowing the project down. We are still able to run the shredder just about every day that we can. We are currently still north of the Lapice Road crossing. We are still waiting on Dennis with T. Baker Smith to get the last property access agreement in place so we will be able to go around off of Highway 70 and continue work.**

**Recommendations to add to the August 4, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Agenda:**

1. **Authorization from the Board to approve the 4th Annual Run 4 the Paws to be held on October 9, 2021 in Luling, St. Charles Parish, LA**
2. **Authorization from the Board to approve the change of the September Finance Meeting due to the meeting falling on September 6, 2021, Labor Day**
   1. **To have the Finance Meeting on Wednesday, September 8, 2021 and the Committee Meeting on Wednesday, September 15, 2021**
   2. **To skip Labor Day week and hold the Finance Meeting on September 13, 2021 and the Committee Meeting on September 15, 2021**

**There were no additional committee matters to discuss, Commissioner Russell Loupe moved to adjourn and was seconded by Commissioner Jeffery Henry.**

**Executive Director**