**Committee Meeting**

**July 15, 2020**

**The Board of Commissioners for the Lafourche Basin Levee District met on Wednesday, July15, 2020. The public is invited to attend via Teleconference and at the LBLD office. In accordance with the Louisiana Governor’s Proclamation Number 58-JBE-2020 and 59-JBE-2020 by Governor John Bel Edwards. By order of LA State Fire Marshal, H. “Butch” Browning, Jr., 44 is the maximum persons allowed due to the 50% capacity rule. Due to these circumstances, some persons may be turned away at the door. All in-person attendees will be required to wear a mask, observe social distancing and sanitize. You can refer to gov.louisiana.gov for guideline exceptions and was called to order by President James P. Jasmin at 6:00 PM.**

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

**Adoption of the agenda was motioned by Commissioner Michael McKinney, Sr. and seconded by Commissioner Craig Carter. President Jasmin called for a roll call vote. Roll call vote thereon as follows:**

**YEAS:**

* **Michael McKinney, Sr.**
* **Arthur Bosworth IV**
* **Larry Sorapuru**
* **Russell Loupe**
* **Gary Watson**
* **Jeffery Henry**
* **Craig Carter**
* **Eric Matherne**
* **Marlin Rogers**
* **Kevin Hebert**
* **James P. Jasmin**

**ABSENT: None**

**ABSTAINED: None**

**By a roll call vote of 10 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent and 0 abstained. The motion passed by unanimous vote.**

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

**Recommendations to add to the August 5, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Agenda:**

**A. Authorization from the Board to approve the request to begin operations and maintenance on the West Bank Hurricane Protection Levee – Magnolia Ridge Levee, St. Charles Parish, Louisiana, Sta. 10+00 to Sta. 29+56**

**Roll call vote to place on the Regular meeting agenda: Roll call vote thereon as follows:**

**YEAS:**

* **Michael McKinney, Sr.**
* **Arthur Bosworth IV**
* **Larry Sorapuru**
* **Russell Loupe**
* **Gary Watson**
* **Jeffery Henry**
* **Craig Carter**
* **Eric Matherne**
* **Marlin Rogers**
* **Kevin Hebert**
* **James P. Jasmin**

**ABSENT: None**

**ABSTAINED: None**

**By a roll call vote of 10 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent and 0 abstained. The motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**Safety Committee Report: Marlin Rogers, Chairman**

**Commissioner Rogers reported that there were no lost time accidents. The Safety Meeting for the Maintenance Department was held on June 15, 2020 for both locations and started at 6:00 AM. The safety meeting discussion that took place was pertaining to the covid-19 viral outbreak and the safety precautions that the employees of Lafourche Basin Levee District still need to abide by. The next Safety Meeting is scheduled for July 13, 2020.**

**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. Executive Director, Donald Henry, and Assistant Executive Director, Ivy Chauvin, are requesting to place on the agenda:**

**A. Request to advertise for bids for a new 2020 F-250 4x4 crew cab (in budget)**

**B. Request to purchase an engine for the 2012 Ford F-250 supercab, mileage 100,00. Repairs are to change engine at Coy’s for approximately $12,000**

**C. Request to purchase a boom mower and tractor on state contract (in budget)**

**Personnel Committee Report: Michael McKinney, Sr., Chairman**

**Commissioner McKinney reported that he would like to update the Board on the approved hiring’s. Louisiana Civil Service has sent in a list of potential candidates for the Mobile Equipment Operator 2 positions. The Executive Director and staff will start interviewing candidates that made the list as soon as possible.**

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

 **Vice-President Matherne reported that.**

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

 **Executive Director**