**MINUTES OF MAY 16, 2023 REGULAR MEETING**

**Board of Commissioners of**

**Bayou D’Arbonne Lake Watershed District**

Union Parish Courthouse Annex

303 East Water Street

Farmerville, LA 71241

6:30 p.m.

1. Roll Call – Terry Morris called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Commission members present were Terry Morris, Richard Royal, Ken Myers and Steve Adams. Steve Cagle, Clint Graham and Todd DeMoss were absent. Also present were Bill Carter and Neal DeForest.
2. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance – Richard Royal led the invocation and Ken Myers led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Public Comment Registration – No one signed up for public comment.

D. Agenda Approval – Motion was made by Richard Royal and seconded by Steve Adams to approve the May 2023 Agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Approval of Minutes – Motion was made by Richard Royal and seconded by Steve Adams to approve the minutes of the April 2023 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

F. Financial Reports/Budget/Audit:

1. Approve March and April 2023 Bank Account Summary – Motion was made by Richard Royal and seconded by Steve Adams to approve the March and April 2023 Bank Account Summary. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Approve March and April 2023 Bank Statement Reconciliation - Motion was made by Richard Royal and seconded by Steve Adams to approve the minutes of the March and April 2023 Bank Statement Reconciliation. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Approve March and April 2023 Financial Report – Motion was made by Richard Royal and seconded by Steve Adams to approve the March and April 2023 Financial Report. The motion passed unanimously.

G. Old and New Business:

1. Boat Launch Areas - General Maintenance / Improvements – Richard Royal said trash receptacles have been placed at Jake’s and Ramp Road and the slabs for Terral Island and the Spillway will be poured in the near future. Terry Morris said that Trey Towns will be building and donating six (6) more trash receptacles for the Commission.

Terry Morris said that the boat launch area at Terral Island is getting worse and repairs cannot wait any longer. Several of the Commission members and Neal DeForest said they would assess the launch area and decide on a plan for repairs.

1. Boat Launch Fees - Status – Richard Royal said that to date for 2023, $22,927.41 has been collected in daily launch fees and permit sales.
2. Channel Markers – Terry Morris said that all materials are on hand and Thomas McMillan and Paul Bailey will get started on the channel markers as soon as the water level subsides.
3. Tainter Gate Report - Terry Morris said that he recently spoke with Jeff Shapiro of DOTD who said that the gear mechanism will be ready by the end of the month and will be installed thereafter.
4. Reminders: (a) Louisiana Annual Ethics Training (Due December 31), and (b) Annual Financial Disclosure (Due May 15) – Terry reminded everyone about the Ethics training and Financial Disclosure filing.

H. Public Comment – No public comment.

1. Adjourn - A motion to adjourn was made by Richard Royal and seconded by Steve Adams. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned.