

May 20, 2024

A regular public meeting of the Bayou Lafourche Fresh Water District was held on Monday, May 20, 2024 at 5:00p.m. at the Water District office, 1016 St. Mary Street, Thibodaux, LA

Present were: Hugh Caffery, Chairman Gene Harrell, Vice-Chairman
 Greg Nolan, Secretary/Treasurer Francis Richard
 Dale Dennis Barry Soudelier
 Joe Boudreaux Ernie Blanchard
 Chris Domangue

Absent were: Lance Authement

Also present were: Marlon Domangue, DCC; Eric Dallimore, Stantec
 Beau Barbera, High Tide Consultants; Kevan Keiser, GIS
 Doug Cheremie; Kevin Beyer, Intracostal Consultants; Stevie Smith, ASCE
 Jake Stahl; Henry & Hattie Templet; Josh Bordelon; Heather Armstrong
 Barry Marionneaux, Attorney; Dustin Rabalais, Executive Director

Chairman Hugh Caffery began the meeting at 5:01 pm.

Mr. Caffery asked if we had a quorum, and we did.

Mr. Caffery stated that public comments can be made at any time in the meeting prior to action on any agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken.

Moved by Vice-Chairman Gene Harrell, seconded by Commissioner Dale Dennis to approve the minutes of April 15, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Barry Soudelier, seconded by Commissioner Francis Richard to approve the accounts payable report. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Dale Dennis, seconded by Commissioner Francis Richard to approve the finance report. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rabalais reported that all 4 pumps are up and running.

Mr. Rabalais reported that the Bayou operations are normal.

Mr. Eric Dallimore with Stantec, reported the updates to the Pump Capacity Improvements Project (PCIP).

Mr. Rabalais discussed Change Order No. 3 for the PCIP.

Moved by Commissioner Francis Richard, seconded by Commissioner Ernie Blanchard to approve Change Order No. 3 for the PCIP. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rabalais discussed the partial substantial completion of the PUA intake facility located in Donaldsonville, LA.

Moved by Commissioner Dale Dennis, seconded by Secretary/Treasurer Greg Nolan to approve the partial substantial completion of the PUA intake facility located in Donaldsonville, LA. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rabalais gave an update on the Phase 3 Permitting.

Mr. Rabalais discussed awarding the Phase 3 - 30% design contract, to GIS Engineering pending legal review.

Moved by Commissioner Dale Dennis, seconded by Commissioner Barry Soudelier to award the Phase 3 - 30% design contract, to GIS Engineering pending legal review. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rabalais gave an update on the Melodia Boat Launch.

Mr. Rabalais discussed a motion to donate the harvester to Wax Lake East Drainage District.

Moved by Commissioner Chris Domangue, seconded by Commissioner Francis Richard to approve the motion to donate the harvester to Wax Lake East Drainage District. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rabalais discussed a motion to award Atty. Barry Marionneaux a one-year contract for legal services, as discussed.

Moved by Commissioner Francis Richard, seconded by Commissioner Ernie Blanchard to award Atty. Barry Marionneaux a one-year contract for legal services, as discussed. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Amy Hebert gave the update on the Friends of Bayou Lafourche.

Mr. Rabalais gave his Executive Director's report.

Chairman Hugh Caffery asked for any public comments.

Commissioner Chris Domangue left the meeting at 6:04.

Moved by Commissioner Barry Soudelier, seconded by Commissioner Francis Richard to enter into executive session at 6:05pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Francis Richard, seconded by Commissioner Joe Boudreaux and unanimously approved to return to regular session at 6:32pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Francis Richard, seconded by Commissioner Joe Boudreaux to adjourn the meeting at 6:33p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Hugh Caffery, Chairman

Greg Nolan, Secretary/Treasurer