**Personnel Meeting**

**July 31, 2018**

**The Finance Meeting of the Lafourche Basin Levee District met at the official domicile of the Board in Vacherie, Louisiana and was called to order by President Michael McKinney, Sr. at 6:00 pm.**

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

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

 **The Board of Commissioners may meet in Executive Session to discuss personnel matters under the provision of Louisiana Revised Statute 42:17. While in Executive Session, the Board may meet with its’ staff, attorneys or other persons it deems necessary. No votes or other action may be taken while in Session.**

 **The Personnel Committee met in Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. While in Executive Session, no motions were made, nor votes taken.**

 **Commissioner Eric Matherne moved to motion that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss the hiring of outside counsel to handle a personnel matter. It was seconded by Commissioner Marlin Rogers.**

**Commissioner Eric Matherne motioned to reconvene the meeting and was seconded by Commissioner Russell Loupe.**

 **On voting on a recommendation for the Board, the Board needed to vote on the recommendation to be sent from the Personnel Committee to the Board, Attorney Larry Buquoi stated.**

 **Commissioner James Jasmin recommended to place on the agenda the hiring of an attorney or to accept an attorney provided by the insurance if one can be provided. Commissioner Eric Matherne stated they couldn’t put anything on tomorrow’s agenda because it was already less than the 24 hours time allotment needed to change the agenda. Attorney Buquoi informed the Board that it was already on the agenda for tomorrow’s meeting. He also informed the Board that this is a recommendation to the Board to hire someone if the Insurance Company doesn’t provide someone. Further deliberation took place about voting. Mr. Buquoi explained that voting needed to take place for items to come out of Committee to be presented to the Board. Commissioner Kevin Hebert seconded Commissioner Jasmin’s recommendation.**

 **Commissioner James Jasmin moved to motion that the Board go into Executive Session for the discussion and evaluation of Mr. Ivy Chauvin’s Performance as Assistant Executive Director and discuss making a recommendation concerning a Cost of Living Salary Increase. Commissioner Gary Watson seconded.**

 **Commissioner James Jasmin motioned to reconvene the meeting and Commissioner Eric Matherne seconded.**

 **Commissioner Eric Matherne made a recommendation not to make a recommendation for the Board until more information is received for Mr. Chauvin’s evaluation. Commissioner James Jasmin seconded.**

 **Commissioner James Jasmin moved to motion that the Board go into Executive Session for the discussion of the Personnel Committee of the Whole to further discuss the personnel matter related to an incident on July 2, 2018 and to discuss making a recommendation to the Board of Commissioners resulting from said investigation. Commissioner Jeffery Henry seconded.**

 **Commissioner James Jasmin motioned to reconvene the meeting. It was seconded by Commissioner Eric Matherne.**

 **Commissioner James Jasmin recommended Executive Donald Henry be terminated or be extended the courtesy of resigning. Commissioner Eric Matherne seconded.**

 **A discussion took place about the vote and its implications. It is strictly a recommendation and can be voted to advance to the Board or no action can be taken.**

 **President Michael McKinney Sr. suggested a roll call vote.**

 **A roll call vote took place concerning the recommendation of Commissioner James Jasmin of Mr. Donald Henry being terminated or being extended the courtesy to resign. The results were four (4) Yeas, four (4) Nays, and three (3) Not Voting.**

 **Attorney Larry Buquoi stated that the results of the voting meant that there is no recommendation from the Committee tonight. As a result, the item on the agenda for Board Meeting, Wednesday, August 1, 2018, the issue will be moot. The attorney explained that the results of the vote from the Committee meant that there was no recommendation from the Committee for the Regular Meeting.**

**Commissioner Russell Loupe moved to adjourn and was seconded by Commissioner Jeffery Henry.**

 **President**

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