**REGULAR MEETING**

**November 7, 2018**

 **The Board of Commissioners for the Lafourche Basin Levee**

**District met this day in regular session at its official domicile**

**at 21380 Hwy. 20 in Vacherie, Louisiana and was called to order**

**by its President James P. Jasmin, at 6:00 p.m.**

 **Present: COMMISSIONERS… President James P. Jasmin, St. James**

**Parish; Craig Carter, Assumption Parish; Stanley Folse, St. James**

**Parish; Kevin Hebert, St. Charles Parish; Jeffery Henry, Ascension**

**Parish; Whitney Jasmin, Jr., St. John the Baptist Parish; Russell**

**Loupe, St. Charles Parish; Michael McKinney, Sr., Ascension Parish;**

**Marlin Rogers, St. Charles Parish were present. Eric Matherne, St.**

**Charles Parish and Gary Watson, St. John the Baptist Parish was**

**absent.**

 **A quorum was present to conduct business.**

 **Messrs. Larry Buquoi, Attorney; Ivy Chauvin, Sr., Assistant Executive**

**Director; Donald Ray Henry, Executive Director and Sara Long, Human Resource**

**SpecialistHhUM were present.**

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

**the flag.**

 **There were no audience comments in reference to agenda items.**

 **On motion of Commissioner Michael McKinney, Sr., seconded by**

**Commissioner Jeffery Henry and unanimously approved, the minutes of the**

**Special Meeting August 22, 2108 be accepted and filed in the minutes of**

**the Board.**

**On motion of Commissioner Stanley Folse, seconded by Commissioner**

**Craig Carter and unanimously approved, the minutes of the Special Meeting**

**October 4, 2108 be accepted and filed in the minutes of the Board.**

**On motion of Commissioner Jeffery Henry, seconded by Commissioner**

**Craig Carter and unanimously approved, the minutes of the Regular Meeting**

**October 10, 2108 be accepted and filed in the minutes of the Board.**

 **On motion of Commissioner Jeffery Henry, seconded by Commissioner**

**Michael McKinney, Sr., and unanimously approved, the following report of**

**cash available for distribution of the month of October 31, 2018 be accepted**

**and filed in the minutes of the Board.**

 **FIRST AMERICAN BANK:**

 **Checking account balance September 2018 83,555.24**

 **Deposits: Revenues/Refund 37,450.60**

 **Matured D-Notes 250,000.00**

 **Interest on Checking 11.98**

 **Funds Transferred In .00**

 **Total Cash Available $ 371,017.82**

 **Cash Disbursements: Operating Expenses 226,643.70**

 **Purchased D-Notes .00**

 **Funds Transferred Out .00**

 **FIRST AMERICAN BANK BALANCE Oct. 31, 2018 144,374.12**

 **INVESTMENTS: Discount Notes/Bonds 9,595,992.71**

 **TOTAL BOOK BALANCE FOR: Oct. 31, 2018 $ 9,740,366.83**

**On motion of Commissioner Kevin Hebert, seconded by Commissioner**

**Russell Loupe, the following resolution was proposed.**

**BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners authorize the President to sign all documents necessary for the settlement of the lawsuit entitled “LAFOURCHE BASIN LEVEE DISTRICT versus RIDGELAND PROPERTIES, LLC. #80377 Division “D” of the 24th Judicial District Court for St. Charles Parish, State of Louisiana,” including but not limited to a Stipulation and Settlement Agreement, Act of Servitude, and a Crossing and Access Agreement**

**And all other necessary documents**

**Roll Call Vote thereon as follows:**

**YEAS: Stanley Folse, Jeffery Henry, Craig Carter, Russell Loupe, James**

 **P. Jasmin, Whitney Jasmin, Marlin Rogers, Kevin Hebert, Michael**

 **McKinney, Sr.**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: Eric Matherne, Gary Watson**

**ABSTAINED: None**

**By a roll call vote of 9 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent and 0 abstained the**

**motion carried.**

 **On motion Commissioner Marlin Rogers, seconded by Commissioner**

**Russell Loupe, the following resolution was proposed and unanimously**

**adopted.**

 **BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners authorize the President to sign the Christmas Bonfire Program Agreement with St. James Parish Government, be granted.**

 **President James P. Jasmin asked Commissioner Stanley Folse to**

**introduce audience members present to discuss the Maintenance**

**Dredging Bayou Napoleon and Bayou Verret Project. Commissioner Folse**

**Introduced Mr. Kenny Matassa, Ascension Parish President; Mr. Bill**

**Dawson, Ascension Parish Council; Mr. Oliver Joseph, Ascension Parish**

**Council; Mr. Ed Price, State Senator District #2; Mr. Thomas Pearce,**

**Ascension Parish; Mr. Dustin Rabalais, T. Baker Smith; Mr. Leroy**

**Sullivan, Mayor of the City of Donaldsonville; Mr. Ron Alcorn,**

**Assumption Parish; Mr. Ken Brass, State Representative; Mr. Timmy**

**Roussel, Parish President and Mr. Blaize Gravois, St. James Parish**

**Director. Commissioner Folse informed all the Mr. DJ Hymel with T.**

**Baker Smith who was hired by St. James Parish, was unable to attend**

**meeting. Mr. Dustin Rabalais with T. Baker Smith gave a presentation**

**on the Maintenance Dredging Bayou Napoleon and Bayou Verret Project.**

**After the presentation a lengthy discussion took place with questions**

**asked and answered.**

 **On motion of Commissioner Stanley Folse, seconded by Commissioner**

**Craig Carter, the following resolution was proposed.**

**BE IT RESOLVED that Board of Commissioners of the Lafourche Basin Levee District enter into an intergovernmental agreement with St. James Parish to perform maintenance dredging for the Bayou Napoleon and Bayou Verret Project.**

**Roll Call Vote thereon as follows:**

**YEAS: Stanley Folse, Jeffery Henry, Craig Carter, Russell Loupe,**

 **Whitney Jasmin, Marlin Rogers, Kevin Hebert, Michael McKinney,**

 **Sr., James P. Jasmin**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: Gary Watson, Eric Matherne**

**ABSTAINED: None**

**By a roll call vote of 9 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent and 0 abstained the**

**motion carried.**

**On motion of Commissioner Kevin Hebert, seconded by Commissioner**

**Jeffery Henry, the following resolution was proposed and unanimously**

**adopted.**

**BE IT RESOLVED that the November Finance Meeting be changed from Monday, November 12, 2018 to Tuesday, November 13, 2018 due to Veterans Day being on Monday, November 12, 2018, be granted.**

**On motion of Commissioner Kevin Hebert, seconded by Commissioner**

**Jeffery Henry, the following resolution was proposed and unanimously**

**adopted.**

**BE IT REOSLVED that the December Regular Meeting be held on Monday, December 3, 2018 due to Board of Commissioners attending the 78th Annual Association of Levee Boards of Louisiana Meeting and the Mississippi Valley Flood Control Association in New Orleans, be granted.**

 **On motion of Commissioners Stanley Folse, seconded by**

**Commissioner Craig Carter, the following resolution was proposed**

**BE IT REOSLVED that Board of Commissioners advertise for bid a 2019 Ford Expedition XLT or equivalent, be granted.**

**Roll Call Vote thereon as follows:**

**YEAS: Stanley Folse, Jeffery Henry, Craig Carter, Michael McKinney,**

 **Sr., James P. Jasmin**

**NAYS: Russell Loupe, Whitney Jasmin, Marlin Rogers, Kevin Hebert**

**ABSENT: Gary Watson, Eric Matherne**

**ABSTAINED: None**

**By a roll call vote of 5 yeas, 4 nays, 2 absent and 0 abstained the**

**motion carried.**

**Mr. Mark Roberts with Burke Kleinpeter, Mr. Oneil Malbrough and**

**Kyle Galaway with GIS, Nick Matherne with APTIM gave a brief update of**

**the Upper Barataria Risk Reduction Project.**

**On motion of Commissioner Marlin Rogers, seconded by Commissioner**

**Michael McKinney, Sr., the following resolution was proposed.**

**BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners for Lafourche Basin Levee District authorize Executive Director Donald Ray Henry to enter into task order agreement with Burke Kleinpeter, Inc., APTIM Environmental and Infrastructure, Inc. , and GIS Engineering, LLC to perform the efforts related to coordination with US Army Corps of Engineers, CPRA, State of Louisiana, and other project stakeholders for the Upper Barataria Risk Reduction Project.**

**Roll Call Vote thereon as follows:**

**YEAS: Stanley Folse, Jeffery Henry, Craig Carter, Russell Loupe,**

 **Whitney Jasmin, Marlin Rogers, Kevin Hebert, Michael McKinney,**

 **Sr. James P. Jasmin**

**NAY: None**

**ABSENT: Gary Watson, Eric Matherne**

**ABSTAINED: None**

**By a roll call vote of 9 yeas, 0 nays, 2 absent and 0 abstained the**

**motion carried.**

**On motion of Commissioner Marlin Rogers, seconded by Commissioner**

**Russell Loupe, the following resolution was proposed.**

**BE IT RESOLVED to untable the motion made at the regular meeting of August 1, 2018 a recommendation from the Personnel Committee concerning the cost of living salary increase for Assistant Executive Director Ivy Chauvin, Sr.**

**Roll Call Vote thereon as follows:**

**YEAS: Russell Loupe, Marlin Rogers, Kevin Hebert**

**NAYS: Stanley Folse, Jeffery Henry, Craig Carter, Whitney Jasmin,**

 **Michael McKinney, Sr. James P. Jasmin**

**ABSENT: Gary Watson, Eric Matherne**

**ABSTAINED: Nonce**

**By a roll call vote of 3 yeas, 6 nays, 2 absent and 0 abstained the**

**motion failed.**

**Commissioner Jeffery Henry made a motion to adjourn and**

**Commissioner Stanley Folse seconded his motion.**



 **President**

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**11/13/18**