

Finance Meeting

July 10, 2023

The Board of Commissioners for the Lafourche Basin Levee District met this day in finance session at its official domicile at 21380 Highway 20 in Vacherie, Louisiana. The public was invited to attend via Teleconference and at the LBLD office. The meeting was called to order by its President, Eric Matherne, at 6:00 P.M.

The following Commissioners were in attendance: President Eric Matherne, St. Charles Parish; Vice President Jeffery Henry, Ascension Parish; Russell Loupe, St. Charles Parish; Larry Sorapuru, St. John the Baptist Parish; Arthur Bosworth IV, St. James Parish; Gary Watson, St. John the Baptist Parish; James P. Jasmin, St. James Parish; Marlin Rogers, St. Charles Parish; Kevin Hebert, St. Charles Parish and Craig Carter, Assumption Parish were present.

Donald Ray Henry, Executive Director; Ms. Melanie Broden, Accounting Specialist; Astrea Jupiter, Administrative Assistant 5 and Latasha Pelle, Administrative 2 were also present.

Commissioner Jasmin made the motion to adopt the agenda and second by Commissioner Bosworth. President Matherne called for a roll call vote. Roll call vote thereon as follows:

YEAS:

- Arthur Bosworth, IV.
- Larry Sorapuru
- Russell Loupe
- Gary Watson
- Jeffery Henry, Vice President
- Craig Carter
- James P. Jasmin
- Marlin Rogers
- Kevin Hebert
- Eric Matherne, President

NAYS: None

ABSENT:

- Atty Spencer Long

ABSTAINED: NONE

President Matherne noted that all comments from the Public regarding any/all of the agenda items listed below will be accepted at this point in the meeting. The meeting chairperson may also allow further comments from the Public as and when each agenda item is considered during the meeting process. There were no public comments on the agenda items.

Cash Status report for the period ending June 30, 2023. Executive Director Henry addressed the Board on cash status report. Ms. Bolden stated Bank of New York statement hasn't been received for this month. The report will be updated for the next meeting when the statement is received.

Motion by Commissioner Watson to review and approval of bills for payment and second by Commissioner Carter.

President Matherne advised the Board to review draft copy of the July 5, 2023 Regular Board Meeting. If any changes need to be made, it will be addressed at the next regular meeting. Also, the Board was presented with a draft copy of the audit letter. Executive Director Henry addressed the Board on getting approval to present draft copy of audit letter. The Board will have to review over some invoices that was included in the audit. He also thanks the hard work from the employees from receiving a perfect audit. Commissioner Watson commend Executive Director Henry on doing a good job on audit. Commissioner Jasmin express his appreciation to Executive Director Henry on the audit and that's why he deserves his raise. Commissioner Carter addressed the Board on why the decision was made against raise. President Matherne responded that his ruling against the raise was due to it being an excessive amount. Commissioner Carter want to review the evaluation on Executive Director. Commissioner Rogers addressed Mr. Carter. Commissioner Rogers questioned about pictures received about separate accidents involving a tractor burned and SUV accident, and when they accrued. Executive Director Henry informed Commissioner Rogers the tractor burned up after the battery was checked on July 6, 2023. He was in a accident in the company vehicle headed home in Sorrento on July 5, 2023. While trying to avoid a head on collision. The police report should be in this week for the accident. The report will be submitted in the equipment report for the Committee Meeting. President Matherne asked if Executive Director if he's hurt. Executive Director Henry stated that he's not physically hurt but most flustered. Commissioner Rogers expressed that the Board should have been notified about the accidents the following day. Executive Director Henry addressed Commissioner Rogers that he was following protocol on notifying the Board about the accident. Which is reporting it in the equipment report for the Committee Meeting with supporting documents.

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