

May 9, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Bayou Lafourche Fresh Water District was held on Monday, May 9, 2022 at 5:00 p.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            Jake Giardina  
                  Dale Dennis    Barry Soudelier  
                  Ray Mayet     Scott LeBlanc  
                  Chris Domangue

Absent were: Francis Richard; Lance Authement

Also present were: Ryan Perque, FOBL; Josh Bordelon; Jerry Waguespack;  
                          Capt. Jake Stahl, Marine Expertise; Henry & Hattie Templet, Bayou Rowing;  
                          Barry Marionneaux, Atty.; Ben Malbrough, Executive Director;  
                          Heather Armstrong, Admin. Assistant

Chairman Hugh Caffery began the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

Chairman 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 Commissioner Ray Mayet, seconded by Commissioner Dale Dennis to approve the minutes of April 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Moved by Commissioner Jake Giardina, seconded by Commissioner Ray Mayet to approve the finance report for April 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Malbrough reported that the pump station is operating all 4 pumps.

Mr. Malbrough reported that the Bayou operations are back to normal post-Ida.

Commissioner Ray Mayet read Resolution No. 2022-01, in full, to adopt the Terrebonne Parish millage rate of 2.11 for the tax year 2022. He asked for any public comments on Resolution No.2022-01 and there were none.

Moved by Commissioner Jake Giardina, seconded by Commissioner Barry Soudelier to adopt Resolution No.2022-01. The roll was called and the votes were as follows: Yeas 9; Nays 0; Abstained 0; Absent 2. Resolution No. 2022-01 was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Ray Mayet read Resolution No. 2022-02, in full, to adopt the multi-parish: Lafourche, Ascension & Assumption Parishes millage rate of 2.11 for the tax year 2022. He asked for any public comments on Resolution No.2022-02 and there were none.

Moved by Commissioner Ray Mayet, seconded by Commissioner Barry Soudelier to adopt Resolution No.2022-02. The roll was called and the votes were as follows: Yeas 9; Nays 0; Abstained 0; Absent 2. Resolution No. 2022-02 was passed unanimously.

Mr. Malbrough reported the updates to the Pump Capacity Improvements Project (PCIP). Sea Level Construction was the lowest responsible, responsive bidder with a base bid in the amount of \$96,474,202.00. In order to award the contract, CPRA has agreed to an IGA with BLFWD to assist in making up the difference on the \$65,000,000.00 that was budgeted for the project.

Mr. Malbrough presented a resolution to negotiate and execute an IGA with CPRA, which he read in full, and asked the Boards approval to authorize himself and Attorney Barry Marionneaux to execute, as presented. In addition, included in the resolution was authorization send out the Notice of Award to the apparent low bidder upon execution of the IGA.

Chairman Caffery asked for any public comments. There were none.

Moved by Commissioner Jake Giardina, seconded by Vice-Chairman Gene Harrell to authorize the resolution by Mr. Malbrough and Mr. Marionneaux to negotiate and execute the IGA with CPRA and make the Notice of Award, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Malbrough reported the updates to the Phase 3 Permitting.

Mr. Malbrough discussed the Professional Services Agreement with Claitor & Chabert, LLC. He asked the Board to approve the agreement for \$3,000.00 per month, for a 6 month period and then monthly, thereafter.

Chairman Caffery asked for any public comments. There were none.

Moved by Commissioner Dale Dennis, seconded by Commissioner Jake Giardina to approve the agreement with Claitor & Chabert, LLC for \$3,000.00 per month, for a 6 month period and then monthly, thereafter. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Malbrough gave the Hurricane Ida clean-up update. All physical work has been completed and working with FEMA on the reimbursement process.

Mr. Ryan Perque gave an update on the Friends of Bayou Lafourche as follows:

- Napoleonville Project went out to bid
- Downtown Thibodaux project looking to expand
- Melodia Boat Launch final plan ready soon
- Raceland Visitor Center bayouside project construction began
- BLFWD and FOBL are the recipients of the "Spirit of the Bayou" award presented by Louisiana Cajun Bayou
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Boat Parade- Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup>
- Kayak kiosk rental locations, along the Bayou, are in the works

Chairman Caffery asked for any public comments. There were none.

Moved by Commissioner Jake Giardina, seconded by Commissioner Barry Soudelier to adjourn the meeting at 5:39p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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Hugh Caffery, Chairman

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Greg Nolan, Secretary/Treasurer