

April 19, 2021

The regular monthly meeting of the Bayou Lafourche Fresh Water District was held on Monday, March 22, 2021 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  
Jake Giardina  
Dale Dennis  
Francis Richard  
Greg Nolan, Secretary/Treasurer  
Chris Domangue  
Ray Mayet  
Lance Authement

Absent were: Donald Schwab  
Scott LeBlanc  
Barry Soudelier

Also present were: Josh Bordelon; Capt. Jake Stahl, Marine Expertise  
Ryan Perque, FOBL; Robert Mire; Mr. & Mrs. Templet  
Ben Benoit, Advance Fork; Barry Marionneaux, Attorney  
Ben Malbrough, Executive Director

Chairman Hugh Caffery began the meeting at 5:00 pm

Moved by Commissioner Francis Richard, seconded by Commissioner Ray Mayet to dispense with the reading of the minutes, and approve the minutes of March 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Ray Mayet, seconded by Commissioner Lance Authement to approve the accounts payable report for April 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Vice-Chairman Gene Harrell, seconded by Commissioner Dale Dennis to approve the finance report for April 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Malbrough reported that the pump station has pumped for a portion of the month of March but has now started syphoning on all 4 pumps. Still having an issue with pump #4. Made some improvements but may have to remove it for repair once we start pumping again.

Mr. Malbrough announced a presentation on the Utility Pontoon, given by Ben Benoit from Advance Fork Lift & Equipment Services.

Mr. Malbrough announced a public hearing on the proposed revisions to Ordinance No. 5 at our May 17<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting.

Mr. Malbrough stated the Pump Capacity Improvements Project is progressing.

Mr. Malbrough discussed the North Water Control Structure. Working with the contractor to resolve the hydraulic ram issue/repair. Should be resolved this week and we can close this project.

Mr. Malbrough announced that the Weir Removal Project is making progress. The first sheet pile has been removed and completion is expected end of June. We are working with Lafourche Parish Government and the City of Thibodaux on constructing an ADA accessible walkway and floating dock at the project site.

Mr. Ryan Perque discussed the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Friends of Bayou Lafourche and gave a presentation.

Moved by Vice-Chairman Gene Harrell to renew the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between BLFWD and the Friends of Bayou Lafourche, as presented. Subsequent motion by Commissioner Chris Domangue to renew the CEA for a 10 year term. Seconded by Vice-Chairman Gene Harrell to renew the CEA as presented for a 10 year term. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Hugh Caffery asked for any public comments.

Capt. Jake Stahl inquired about a rowing club and Mr. Henry Templet shared information about the Bayou Rowing Association.

Mr. Malbrough advised that there is an executive session tonight.

Moved by Commissioner Jake Giardina, seconded by Commissioner Ray Mayet to commence executive session. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Jake Giardina, seconded by Commissioner Francis Richard to return to regular session. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Francis Richard, seconded by Commissioner Chris Domangue to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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Hugh Caffery, Chairman

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Greg Nolan, Secretary/Treasurer