

October 21, 2024

A regular public meeting of the Bayou Lafourche Fresh Water District was held on Monday, October 21, 2024 at 5:00p.m. at the Water District office, 1016 St. Mary Street, Thibodaux, LA

Present were: Gene Harrell, Vice-Chairman Greg Nolan, Secretary/Treasurer
Chris Domangue Dale Dennis
Francis Richard Ernie Blanchard
Barry Soudelier Joe Boudreaux

Absent were: Hugh Caffery, Chairman; Lance Authement

Also present were: Eric Dalamore, Stantec; Ty Westerman, DDG
Jake Stahl; Henry & Hattie Templet
Josh Bordelon; Heather Armstrong; Amy Hebert
Dustin Rabalais, Executive Director

Vice-Chairman Gene Harrell began the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Harrell 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 Secretary/Treasurer Greg Nolan, seconded by Commissioner Joe Boudreaux to approve the minutes of September 16, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Moved by Commissioner Francis Richard, seconded by Commissioner Dale Dennis to approve the finance report. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Dustin Rabalais reported that only 3 pumps are operational and running.

Mr. Rabalais reported that the Bayou operations are normal.

Mrs. Ashley Waguespack gave the 2023 Audit Presentation.

Mr. Rabalais reported the updates to the Pump Capacity Improvements Project (PCIP).

Mr. Eric Dalamore with Stantec, gave a presentation on the PCIP progression.

Mr. Rabalais discussed Change Order #4 and asked for its approval.

Moved by Commissioner Francis Richard, seconded by Commissioner Barry Soudelier to approve Change Order #4 for the PCIP. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rabalais gave an update on the Phase 3 Permitting/Design.

Mr. Rabalais announced that a public hearing will be held at the November 18, 2024 meeting to adopt the proposed 2025 general fund budget, and proposed 2025 PCIP budget and reviewed the budget summaries.

Mr. Rabalais discussed the group health premium for 2025.

Mrs. Amy Hebert gave an update on the Friends of Bayou Lafourche.

Mr. Rabalais discussed a permit variance for the City of Thibodaux Canal Street Bridge Replacement and recommended its consideration.

Moved by Commissioner Francis Richard, seconded by Commissioner Joe Boudreaux to approve the permit variance for the City of Thibodaux Canal Street Bridge Replacement. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rabalais discussed the renewal of the BTNEP Home Sewer Treatment Program for 2025.

Moved by Commissioner Barry Soudelier, seconded by Commissioner Chris Domangue to renew the BTNEP Home Sewer Treatment program for 2025, not to exceed \$30,960.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rabalais gave his Executive Director's report.

Vice-Chairman Gene Harrell asked for any public comments.

Moved by Commissioner Chris Domangue, seconded by Commissioner Ernie Blanchard to enter into executive session at 5:54p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Chris Domangue, seconded by Vice-Chairman Gene Harrell to return to regular session and adjourn the meeting at 6:29 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Gene Harrell, Vice-Chairman

Greg Nolan, Secretary/Treasurer