

# RED RIVER, ATCHAFALAYA & BAYOU BOEUF LEVEE DISTRICT

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### OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS RED RIVER, ATCHAFALAYA & BAYOU BOEUF LEVEE DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING JUNE 6, 2017

The Board of Commissioners of the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District met at its regular meeting place, 10 Calvert Drive, Alexandria, Louisiana on Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 9:00 o'clock a.m. The following were present: Messrs. Chris Roy, Jr, President and Rapides Parish Commissioner; Keith Lacombe, Vice President and Avoyelles Parish Commissioner; Andrew C. Leon, St. Landry Parish Commissioner; Warren Byrd, Executive Director; Jake Walker Levee Board Operations Superintendent; Debbie Hooper Lafleur, Board Secretary; and Guests. Special Guests include Colonel Michael Derosier, USACE; Neal Lewis, USACE; Pat Hemphill, USACE; Johnny Kiser, USACE; Craig McRaney, USACE; Will McRae, USACE; Brian Jordan, USACE; Lanny Barfield, USACE and several others.

Colonel Michael Derosier along with several Representatives from the Vicksburg U.S. Army Corps of Engineers attended the meeting speaking to RRABB about the appreciation of the outstanding job RRABB has done within the jurisdiction. Colonel Derosier presented President Chris Roy, Jr with a plaque stating "*Certificate of Merit* for the Operation and Maintenance of Flood Control Projects. In recognition of the superior management or resources in the operation and maintenance of your levee projects for the year 2016. Your Organization fully exemplifies the Corps values of Safety, Integrity and Respect by continuing to actively support the flood damage reduction mission and sustain the public's trust."

#### [RESOLUTION 27-2017](#)

On Motion by Mr. Andrew C. Leon  
Seconded by Mr. Keith Lacombe

**WHEREAS**, the workers compensation insurance for the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District is due to expire July 1, 2017; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners requested Turrentine Insurance Agency, Inc. to obtain rate proposals to be presented at this June 6, 2017 meeting; and

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**WHEREAS**, Turrentine Insurance Agency, Inc. obtained estimates from several companies and provided two rates, one from Stonetrust Commercial Insurance Company in the amount of \$40,081 and one from LWCC in the amount of \$34,338; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Commissioners of the Red River, Atchafalaya, and Bayou Boeuf Levee District in legal session assembled this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June 2017 does hereby agree to accept the quote from LWCC for the workers compensation insurance coverage package for the period of July 1, 2017 through July 1, 2018, provided that upon review all is in compliance with specifications.

General Discussion of the current levee ramp policy. No changes to be made at this time therefore no motion or action is needed.

### [RESOLUTION 28-2017](#)

Motion by Mr. Keith Lacombe  
Seconded by Mr. Andrew C. Leon

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District discussed a Permit Request from John Pickels and Johnny Casey to construct an access road and ramp on the protected side of the levee located in Section 9, T4N, R1E and Section 52, T3N, R1E of Rapides Parish; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District in legal session assembled this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June 2017 does hereby agree to grant permission for the project as described, provided before the project begins, the applicant is hereby required to receive written approval from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development Public Works and Water Resources Division and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Operations Division for the project as described in the documentation provided with the permit request to the levee board; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon written approval from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers an appointee from the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District will make an on-site inspection throughout the project period and to ensure that all is in accordance with standards set

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forth by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District.

### RESOLUTION 29-2017

Motion by Mr. Keith Lacombe  
Seconded by Mr. Andrew C. Leon

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District discussed a Permit Request from the Geotechnical Testing Laboratory, Inc. for the scope of work of drilling and sampling of two boreholes for the Turner and Turner Contracting office facility located on the protected side of the levee in Section 7, T4N, R1W of Rapides Parish; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District in legal session assembled this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June 2017 does hereby agree to grant permission for the project as described, provided before the project begins, the applicant is hereby required to receive written approval from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development Public Works and Water Resources Division and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Operations Division for the project as described in the documentation provided with the permit request to the levee board; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon written approval from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers an appointee from the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District will make an on-site inspection throughout the project period and to ensure that all is in accordance with standards set forth by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District.

### RESOLUTION 30-2017

Motion by Mr. Andrew C. Leon  
Seconded by Mr. Keith Lacombe

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**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District discussed a Permit Request from the Jeremy Richerson to demolish and remove an existing wooden bridge and replace with low water crossing in the Chatlin Lake Canal located in Section 22, T3N, R1E of Rapides Parish; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District in legal session assembled this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June 2017 does hereby agree to grant permission for the project as described, provided before the project begins, the applicant is hereby required to receive written approval from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development Public Works and Water Resources Division for the project as described in the documentation provided with the permit request to the levee board; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon written approval from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development an appointee from the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District will make an on-site inspection throughout the project period and to ensure that all is in accordance with standards set forth by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development and the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District.

### RESOLUTION 31-2017

Motion by Mr. Keith Lacombe  
Seconded by Mr. Andrew C. Leon

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2017 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District:

	<u>2017 Millage Levy</u>
<i>Maintenance of the Flood Control System</i>	<b>3.710</b>
<i>Acreage</i>	<b>20 cents per acre</b>
<i>Railroad</i>	<b>\$100</b>

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the proper administrative officials of the Parishes of Avoyelles, Rapides and St. Landry, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered,

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authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2017, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Chris Roy, Jr, Keith Lacombe and Andrew C. Leon  
NAYS: NONE  
ABSTAINED: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE

### [RESOLUTION 32-2017](#)

On Motion by Mr. Chris Roy, Jr  
Seconded by Mr. Andrew C. Leon

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Red River, Atchafalaya, and Bayou Boeuf Levee District discussed the need to obtain a contract for Aerial Imaging Services; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Commissioners of the Red River, Atchafalaya, and Bayou Boeuf Levee District in legal session assembled this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June 2017 does hereby agree to authorize the Executive Director, to execute the Services Contract with Air Data Solutions, LLC for related services.

General discussion of the ALBL Flood Risk Coalition. The Board asked Executive Director, Mr. Warren Byrd to provide more information on the matter. No motion made therefore no action was needed.

Representatives from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers attended the meeting to hold a discussion regarding Vicksburg District Levee Safety Program. Mr. Lanny Barfield, Chief of Geotechnical Branch with the USACE held a detailed presentation regarding the plan which included general discussion. No motion made therefore no action was needed.

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Motion by Mr. Keith Lacombe and seconded by Mr. Andrew C. Leon to adopt the minutes/resolutions and approve payment of the bills.

Executive Director, Mr. Warren Byrd gave a general update of projects on going.

Motion to Adjourn made by Mr. Andrew C. Leon and seconded by Mr. Keith Lacombe.

### CERTIFICATE

I, Deborah Hooper Lafleur, Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of the Red River, Atchafalaya, and Bayou Boeuf Levee District, certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original resolutions adopted by said Board of the meeting duly convened on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of June 2017, at which meeting a quorum of members of said Board was represented.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, witness my official signature of said Board at Alexandria, Louisiana, on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June 2017.

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Board Secretary