OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

RED RIVER, ATCHAFALAYA & BAYOU BOEUF LEVEE DISTRICT

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

June 4, 2024

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 4, 2024 at 9:00 o’clock a.m. The following were present: Mr. Andrew C. Leon, President and St. Landry Parish Commissioner; Mr. Chris Roy, Jr., Rapides Parish Commissioner; Ryan Ingles, Executive Director; Trey Gist, Board Attorney; Ellen Burke, Administrative Coordinator; Jarmarquis Torrence (DOTD) and Guests. Absent: Mr. Johns F. Earles, II, Vice President and Avoyelles Parish Commissioner.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Leon. The roll call of the meeting was performed by Mr. Ingles; Mr. Andrew C. Leon and Mr. Chris Roy, Jr. were present. Mr. Johns F. Earles, II was absent. Others in attendance were asked to identify themselves and offer any public comments they may have regarding the agenda. Comments were made by representatives of the Avoyelles Parish Police Jury as appreciation for the continued partnership with the levee district.

#### RESOLUTION 24-2024

Motion by Mr. Chris Roy, Jr.

Seconded by Mr. Andrew C. Leon

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District discussed and considered the proposed RRABB annual budget for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025; 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 4th day of June 2024 does hereby agree to adopt the following budget to serve as an Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025; and,

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| REVENUES |  |
| Taxes | $3,200,000 | |
| State Revenue Sharing | $50,000 | |
| Fees & Self-Generated Funds | $593,400 | |
| TOTAL REVENUES | $3,843,400 | |
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| EXPENDITURES |  | |
| Salaries | $1,023,500 | |
| Fringe Benefits | $875,800 | |
| Operating Services | $1,020,100 | |
| Travel | $18,000 | |
| Professional Services | $59,000 | |
| Capital Outlay | $847,000 | |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES | $3,843,400 | |

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: Mr. Chris Roy, Jr. and Mr. Andrew C. Leon

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAINED: NONE

ABSENT: Mr. John F. Earles, II

#### RESOLUTION 25-2024

Motion by Mr. Chris Roy, Jr.

Seconded by Mr. Andrew C. Leon

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District discussed and considered a resolution requesting the Corps of Engineers to consider additional outlet capacity for the Rigolette Drainage Structure; and,

**WHEREAS**, the additional capacity near the Rigolette Drainage Structure will relieve prolonged periods of flooding in the area; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District in legal session assembled this 4th day of June 2024 does hereby agree to give the Executive Director authority to draft a letter with pertinent background information to the Corp of Engineers requesting to provide additional outlet capacity near the Rigolette Drainage Structure.

#### RESOLUTION 26-2024

Motion by Mr. Chris Roy, Jr.

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 BellSouth Telecommunications to expose and relocate a fiber optic cable along LA 10 near the Melville Ring Levee in St. Landry Parish; and,

**WHEREAS,** the applicant is requesting to dig a small trench to expose an existing fiber optic line in order to splice and relocate aerially due to the proposed bridge replacement project along LA 10 near the ring levee in Melville; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District in legal session assembled this 4th day of June 2024 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 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 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 27-2024

Motion by Mr. Chris Roy, Jr.

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 Mr. Bruce O’Dell to install a fence and two cattle guards on and near the Red River South Bank Levee just downstream from Lock and Dam No. 2 in Rapides Parish; and,

**WHEREAS,** the applicant is requesting to install parallel and cross fencing with associated cattle guards; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District in legal session assembled this 4th day of June 2024 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 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 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 28-2024

Motion by Mr. Chris Roy, Jr.

Seconded by Mr. Andrew C. Leon

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District discussed and considered a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Red River Waterway Commission for proposed improvements at the Brouillette Recreation Area in Avoyelles Parish; and,

**WHEREAS**, this agreement would allow the Red River Waterway Commission to construct a playground and comfort station at the Brouillette Recreation area which is property owned by the RRABB Levee District; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Red River Waterway Commissioner has agreed to own the improvements and operate and maintain without cost to RRABB; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the Red River, Atchafalaya & Bayou Boeuf Levee District in legal session assembled this 4th day of June 2024 does hereby agree to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Red River Waterway Commission for proposed improvements at the Brouillette Recreation area.

Motion by Mr. Chris Roy, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Andrew C. Leon to adopt the minutes/resolutions and approve payment of the bills.

Motion to Adjourn made by Mr. Chris Roy, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Andrew C. Leon.

# CERTIFICATE

I, Ryan Ingles, 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 4th day of June 2024, 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 the 4th day of June 2024.

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Board Secretary