



MINUTES
STATE BOND COMMISSION
April 20, 2017
8:00 AM - Senate Committee Room A
State Capitol Building

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The items listed on the Agenda are incorporated and considered to be a part of the minutes herein.

Treasurer Henson called the meeting to order. Then Ms. Guthrie called the roll.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Matthew Block, representing the Governor
Mr. Joe Salter, representing the Secretary of State
Mr. John Morris, representing the Attorney General
Senator John Alario, President of the Senate
Senator Regina Barrow, representing Chair, Senate Finance Committee (present for items 1 -20)
Senator Eric LaFleur, Chair, Senate Finance Committee (arrived during discussion of item 21)
Senator Jean-Paul Morrell, Chair, Senate Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Committee (arrived during discussion of item 20)
Senator Barrow Peacock, representing Senator at large
Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House
Representative Lance Harris, representing Chair, House Appropriations Committee
Representative Mike Huval, representing Chair, House Ways and Means Committee (arrived during discussion of item 13)
Representative Jim Morris, Representative at large
Mr. Rick McGimsey, representing the Commissioner of Administration
Honorable Ron J. Henson, State Treasurer

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Robert Barham, representing the Lieutenant Governor

2. Approval of the minutes of the March 16, 2017 and March 22, 2017 meetings.

Senator John Alario, President of Senate moved approval, seconded by Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House and without objection, the minutes were approved.

Local Governmental Units - Elections

Ms. Folse provided a synopsis on Items 3 through 5, Local Governmental Units - Elections (October 14, 2017).

3. L17-113 - Jefferson Parish Council - 1.0 mill tax, 10 years, 2019-2028, acquiring, constructing, improving, providing, maintaining and operating the Parish Public Transportation System for the exclusive benefit of the mobility impaired, the physically disadvantaged and the elderly.

Senator John Alario, President of Senate moved approval, seconded by Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House and without objection, the item was approved.

4. L17-120 - Jefferson Parish Council - 2.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2019-2028, acquiring, constructing, improving, providing, maintaining and operating the Parish Public Transportation System.

Senator John Alario, President of Senate moved approval, seconded by Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House and without objection, the item was approved.

5. L17-112 - Jefferson Parish Council, Fire Protection District No. 4 - 15.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2019-2028, acquiring, constructing, improving, providing, maintaining or operating fire protection facilities.

Senator John Alario, President of Senate moved approval, seconded by Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House and without objection, the item was approved.

Local Political Subdivisions - Loans

6. L17-106 - Acadia Parish, Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 - Not exceeding \$140,000 Limited Tax Certificates of Indebtedness, not exceeding 3%, mature no later than March 1, 2022, acquiring equipment for constructing, improving, maintaining and operating gravity drainage works.

Ms. Folsie provided a synopsis. Senator John Alario, President of Senate moved approval, seconded by Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House and without objection, the item was approved.

7. L17-121 - Livingston Parish, Fire Protection District No. 4 - Not exceeding \$714,988 Promissory Note (CDL Program), not exceeding 2%, not exceeding 5 years, current operations.

Ms. Folsie provided a synopsis. Senator John Alario, President of Senate moved approval, seconded by Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House and without objection, the item was approved.

8. L17-109 - St. Martin Parish, Village of Parks - Not exceeding \$700,000 Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2017, not exceeding 4%, not exceeding 10 years, constructing, acquiring, renovating and/or improving a new city hall, including equipment and fixtures.

Ms. Folsie provided a synopsis. Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House moved for conditional approval, contingent upon verification of the purchase price not exceeding the purchase value reflected by the appraisal dated November 9, 2016. The motion was seconded by Senator John Alario, President of Senate and without objection, the item was conditionally approved.

9. L17-115 - Tangipahoa Parish Water District - Not exceeding \$500,000 Revenue Anticipation Notes, taxable, not exceeding 4%, not exceeding 12 months, current expenses.

Ms. Folsie provided a synopsis. Senator John Alario, President of Senate moved approval, seconded by Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House and without objection, the item was approved.

10. L17-103 - Washington Parish, City of Bogalusa - Not exceeding \$950,000 Revenue Anticipation Notes, Series 2017, not exceeding 6%, mature no later than March 1, 2018, current expenses.

Ms. Folsie provided a synopsis. Senator John Alario, President of Senate moved approval, seconded by Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House and without objection, the item was approved.

11. L17-107 - Washington Parish, Hospital Service District No. 1 - Not exceeding \$950,000 Certificates of Indebtedness, not exceeding 5%, mature no later than March 1, 2018, current operations.

Ms. Folsie provided a synopsis. Senator John Alario, President of Senate moved approval, seconded by Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House and without objection, the item was approved.

12. L17-105 - West Carroll Parish Law Enforcement District - Not exceeding \$300,000 Promissory Note, Series 2017, not exceeding 2%, mature no later than June 30, 2018, current operations.

Ms. Folsie provided a synopsis. Representative Lance Harris, representing the Chair, House Appropriations moved approval, seconded by Senator John Alario, President of Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

Local Political Subdivisions - Bonds - Preliminary Approval

13. L17-119 - Caddo Parish, City of Shreveport - Notice of Intention to issue not exceeding \$120,000,000 Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, in one or more series, taxable or tax-exempt, not exceeding 6%, not exceeding 25 years, additions, extensions and improvements to the combined drinking water and wastewater collection, treatment and disposal system, including equipment and fixtures.

Ms. Folsie provided a synopsis. Senator Barrow Peacock, representing the Senator at large moved approval, seconded by Representative Jim Morris, Representative at large and without objection, the item was approved.

Local Political Subdivisions - Bonds - Final Approval

14. L17-108 - Avoyelles Parish, City of Marksville - Not exceeding \$1,190,000 Sales Tax Refunding Bonds, not exceeding 3.75%, mature no later than October 1, 2027, refunding 2018 to 2027 maturities of Sales Tax Bonds, Series 2007.

Ms. Folsie provided a synopsis. Representative Lance Harris, representing the Chair, House Appropriations moved approval, seconded by Senator John Alario, President of Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

15. L17-114 - Calcasieu Parish, Town of Iona - Not exceeding \$12,000,000 Public Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2017, taxable or tax-exempt, in one or more series, not exceeding 2.75%, not exceeding 40 years, (1) purchasing, constructing, acquiring, extending or improving the sewer and waste water systems, including any necessary sites, equipment and furnishings, (2) paying municipal bond insurance premium, if any, and (3) funding a debt service reserve fund or purchasing a debt service reserve fund insurance policy, if required.

Ms. Folsie provided a synopsis. Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator John Alario, President of Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

16. L17-110 - Grant Parish, Village of Georgetown (DEQ Project) - Not exceeding \$550,000 Taxable Utilities Revenue Bonds, not exceeding 0.95%, not exceeding 22 years, acquiring and constructing additions, extensions and improvements to the sewer portion of the combined water and sewer system.

Ms. Folsie provided a synopsis. Senator John Alario, President of Senate moved approval, seconded by Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House and without objection, the item was approved.

17. L17-104 - Sabine Parish, Town of Zwolle (DEQ Project) - Not exceeding \$1,095,000 Taxable Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2017, not exceeding 0.95%, not exceeding 22 years, constructing and acquiring additions, extensions and improvements to the sewer system, including equipment and fixtures.

Ms. Folsie provided a synopsis. Senator John Alario, President of Senate moved approval, seconded by Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House and without objection, the item was approved.

18. L17-118 - St. Tammany Parish, City of Slidell - Not exceeding \$11,150,000 Utility Revenue Bonds, in one or more series, not exceeding 6%, not exceeding 30 years, (1) constructing, acquiring, extending and/or improving the Utilities System and (2) funding a reserve (if required).

Ms. Folsie provided a synopsis. Senator John Alario, President of Senate moved approval, seconded by Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House and without objection, the item was approved.

19. L17-111 - St. Tammany Parish, Town of Pearl River (DEQ Project) - Not exceeding \$2,000,000 Taxable Sales Tax Bonds, not exceeding 0.95%, not exceeding 22 years, financing additions and improvements to the sewerage portion of the combined water and sewerage system.

Ms. Folsie provided a synopsis. Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator John Alario, President of Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

State Agencies, Boards and Commissions

20. S17-011 - Louisiana Housing Corporation (Howell Village Apartments Project) - Not exceeding \$33,000,000 Multifamily Housing Revenue Note (Volume Cap), in one or more series, not exceeding 8% fixed or variable rate, not exceeding 35 years, acquisition, construction and equipping of a 380 unit multifamily housing facility in Baton Rouge.

Ms. Folse provided a synopsis. Additional information was provided by Amanda Spain, Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC (Developer Counsel); Councilwoman Tara Wicker, EBR Metro Council District 10; Representative Edmond Jordan, State Representative, District 29. Senator Regina Barrow, representing the Chair, Senate Finance Committee moved to defer, seconded by Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House and without objection, the item was deferred.

Political Subdivisions - Bonds

Ms. Folse provided a synopsis on Items 21 through 27, excluding Items 24, 25, and 26, (Political Subdivisions).

21. S17-013 - New Orleans Aviation Board (North Terminal Project) - Not exceeding \$380,000,000 General Airport Revenue Bonds (GARBS), in multiple series, not exceeding 5.25%, not exceeding 40 years, (1) completion of the North Terminal Project at the Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport and (2) a North Terminal Expansion.

Senator Jean-Paul Morrell, Chair, Senate Revenue and Fiscal Committee moved approval, seconded by Representative Lance Harris, representing the Chair, House Appropriations and without objection, the item was approved.

22. S17-014 - New Orleans Aviation Board (North Terminal Project) - Not exceeding \$85,000,000 General Airport Revenue Refunding Bonds, taxable, not exceeding 10%, not exceeding 40 years, refunding all or a portion of Revenue Refunding Bonds (Restructuring GARBS), Series 2009A-1 and A-2.

Senator Jean-Paul Morrell, Chair, Senate Revenue and Fiscal Committee moved approval, seconded by Representative Lance Harris, representing the Chair, House Appropriations and without objection, the item was approved.

23. S17-015 - New Orleans Aviation Board (North Terminal Project) - Not exceeding \$70,000,000 General Airport Revenue Refunding Bonds, not exceeding 10%, not exceeding 40 years, refunding all or a portion of Revenue Bonds (Passenger Facility Charge Projects), Series 2007A and Series 2007B.

Senator Jean-Paul Morrell, Chair, Senate Revenue and Fiscal Committee moved approval, seconded by Representative Lance Harris, representing the Chair, House Appropriations and without objection, the item was approved.

24. S17-017 - Louisiana Community Development Authority (City of Lake Charles Louisiana Project) - Not exceeding \$29,000,000 Refunding Bonds, Series 2017, not exceeding 5.5%, mature no later than May 1, 2027, refunding Revenue Bonds (City of Lake Charles Public Improvement Projects), Series 2007 and 2010.

Ms. Folse provided a synopsis. Representative Mike Huval, representing, Chair, House Ways and Means moved approval, seconded by Senator Jean-Paul Morrell, Chair, Senate Revenue and Fiscal Committee and without objection, the item was approved.

25. S17-019 - Louisiana Community Development Authority (Woman's Hospital Foundation Project) - Not exceeding \$300,000,000 Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2017, in one or more series, not exceeding 6% fixed rate and/or 12% variable rate, mature no later than October 1, 2044, refunding all or a portion of Hospital Revenue Bonds, Series 2010A and Hospital Revenue Bonds (Woman's Hospital Foundation Gulf Opportunity Zone Project) Series 2010B.

Ms. Folse provided a synopsis. Senator John Alario, President of Senate moved approval, seconded by Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House and without objection, the item was approved.

26. S17-020 - Louisiana Community Development Authority (University of Louisiana Monroe Facilities, Inc. – Brown Stadium Project) - Not exceeding \$4,000,000 Revenue Bonds, in one or more series, taxable or tax-exempt, not exceeding 5%, not exceeding 30 years, (1) renovation, rehabilitation and construction of Brown Stadium and parking adjacent, (2) funding a debt service reserve fund and (3) funding capitalized interest.

Ms. Folsie provided a synopsis. Senator Barrow Peacock, representing the Senator at large moved approval, seconded by Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House and without objection, the item was approved.

Political Subdivisions - Other

27. S17-016 - New Orleans Aviation Board (North Terminal Project) - Not exceeding \$75,000,000 Revolving Credit Facility, not exceeding 10%, not exceeding 5 years, paying a portion of the costs of the North Terminal Project prior to receipt of anticipated funds from other funding sources.

Senator Jean-Paul Morrell, Chair, Senate Revenue and Fiscal Committee moved approval, seconded by Representative Lance Harris, representing the Chair, House Appropriations and without objection, the item was approved.

Public Trust - Final Approval

28. S17-021 - Louisiana Public Facilities Authority (Ochsner Clinic Foundation Project) - Not exceeding \$75,000,000 Revenue Bonds, in one or more series, taxable or tax-exempt, not exceeding 8% fixed rate and/or 15% variable rate (convertible to other rates), not exceeding 40 years, (1) acquiring, constructing, equipping, maintaining, installing, and/or upgrading certain improvements to the Ochsner Medical Center, including the parking garage and Gayle and Tom Benson Cancer Center, Ochsner Elmwood Hospital, Ochsner Medical Center Baton Rouge, Ochsner Clinic Covington, (2) acquiring, constructing, equipping, maintaining, installing and/or upgrading health care and related facilities (including without limitation hospital, clinic, outpatient and medical office facilities) in Jefferson, East Baton Rouge, Tangipahoa, Ascension, Orleans, Livingston, Iberville, St. James, St. John the Baptist, Plaquemines and/or St. Tammany Parishes and (3) creating or maintaining a debt service reserve fund.

Ms. Folsie provided a synopsis. President Alario moved for conditional approval contingent upon verification of the amended certified resolution adopted by the LPFA authorizing the increase in the principal amount of the Bonds, which was adopted on April 11, 2017. The motion was seconded by Speaker Barras, and without objection, the item was conditionally approved.

Ratifications and or Amendments to Prior Approvals

Ms. Folsie provided a synopsis on Items 29 through 35, Ratifications and/or Amendments to Prior Approvals. Treasurer Henson advised Senator LaFleur requested to be recused from items 29 and 34.

29. L16-471A - Lincoln Parish, City of Ruston (Economic Development Projects) - Amendment of a prior approval granted on January 19, 2017 to reflect change in cost of issuance.

Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator John Alario, President of Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

30. L16-478A - Tensas Parish Law Enforcement District - Amendment of a prior approval granted on December 15, 2016 to reflect change in cost of issuance.

Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator John Alario, President of Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

31. L17-045A - Jefferson Parish Council, Sales Tax District - Amendment of a prior approval granted on February 16, 2017 to reflect change in cost of issuance and professionals associated with a change in structure.

Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator John Alario, President of Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

32. S15-048C - Louisiana Housing Corporation (Twin Lakes of Leesville Project) - Amendment of a prior approval granted on November 19, 2015 to reflect change in cost of issuance and professionals.

Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator John Alario, President of Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

33. S16-012B - Illinois Finance Authority (Ness Healthcare NFP) - Amendment of a prior approvals granted on July 21, 2016 and November 17, 2016 to reflect change in cost of issuance and professionals.

Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator John Alario, President of Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

34. S16-023A - Louisiana Housing Corporation (Gabriel Villa Apartments Project) - Amendment of a prior approval granted on September 15, 2016 to reflect change in cost of issuance.

Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator John Alario, President of Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

35. S17-007A - Louisiana Housing Corporation (Harmony Gardens Estates Project) - Amendment of a prior approval granted on February 16, 2017 to reflect change in cost of issuance and professionals associated with a change in structure.

Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House moved approval, seconded by Senator John Alario, President of Senate and without objection, the item was approved.

Other Business

36. Tobacco Settlement Financing Corporation – Submission by the Tobacco Settlement Financing Corporation for the consideration, review and approval of an original budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 in the amount of \$125,300 in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 39:99.6(C).

Mr. John Morris, representing the Attorney General's Office provided a synopsis. Senator John Alario, President of Senate moved approval, seconded by Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House and without objection, the item was approved.

37. S17-001A - State of Louisiana (Gas & Fuels Tax Bonds) - Consideration of the eleventh supplemental resolution providing for an issuance of not exceeding \$200,000,000 Gasoline and Fuels Tax Second Lien Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2017A, not exceeding 12% variable and 7% fixed, mature not later than May 1, 2043, to refund Gasoline and Fuels Tax Second Lien Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2013B-1 and providing for other matters.

Ms. Folsie provided a synopsis. Senator John Alario, President of Senate moved approval, seconded by Representative Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House and without objection, the item was approved.

Treasurer Henson recognized the visitors from Moody's Investors Service.

Ms. Folsie provided an update on the Gas & Fuel 2014A refunding. Stating that the current prevailing market conditions do not provide for a refunding at this time.

38. Adjourn

(A verbatim transcript in specific order items were considered is available with the Bond Commission.)