The Public Hearing for Lafourche Parish Public Library’s 2020 Amended and 2021 Budget began at 5:31 pm. Mr. Rome, President of the Library Board of Control, opened the Public Hearing. He asked three (3) times if anyone from the public would like to speak on the proposed budgets. No one from the audience had any input. Mr. Rome closed the Public Hearing at 5:32pm.

The Special Meeting of the Library Board of Control was called to order on Wednesday, May 27, 2020 at 5:32pm with the following:

PRESENT: Robert Rome present in meeting room  
Talisha Chiquet present via video/teleconference  
Judy Bazare present via video/teleconference  
Lonnie Granier present via video/teleconference  
Courtney Hubbell present via video/teleconference  
Selma Malcombe present via video/teleconference  
Bennie Smith present via video/teleconference  

ABSENT: Daniel Lorraine, Council Liaison  

Also present in the meeting room: Mrs. Laura Sanders Director; Mrs. Sherry Lucas, Finance Manager; and Mrs. Dana Clement, Administrative Assistant.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited together.

At the completion of roll call, Mr. Rome stated we have a quorum present and can move forward with our meeting.

A motion to accept the LBC Public Hearing and Special Meeting agenda was made by Mrs. Bazare, seconded by Ms. Smith, and carried unanimously.

Public wishing to address the Board: N/A

New Business:

1. Approval of the 2020 Amended Budget: Mrs. Sanders reminded the Board of capital expenditures pending in the amount of $60,000 for Computer and Technology upgrades. There is also $28,000 remaining in the vehicle category in the event we proceed with replacing one of our 2009 Dodge Caravans. A motion was made by Ms. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Hubbell, to accept the 2020 Amended Budget. A roll call vote was taken: Mr. Rome yes, Mrs. Chiquet yes, Mrs. Bazare yes, Mr. Granier yes, Mrs. Hubbell yes, Ms. Smith yes, and Mrs. Malcombe yes. The motion passed 7-0-0-0.

2. Approval of the 2021 Budget: Mrs. Lucas reminded the Board of the capital projects included in the budget in the amounts of $30,000 for annual computer upgrades and $58,000 in vehicles to replace our two 2009 Dodge Caravans if neither is replaced in 2020. Also, we’re setting aside $2.1 million for a possible Lockport Branch Addition Project. With no other discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Granier, seconded by Ms. Smith, to accept the 2021 Budget. A roll call vote was taken: Mr. Rome yes, Mrs. Chiquet yes, Mrs. Bazare yes, Mr. Granier yes, Mrs. Granier yes, Mrs. Hubbell yes, Ms. Smith yes, and Mrs. Malcombe yes. The motion passed 7-0-0-0.

Mr. Granier took a moment to express his appreciation to the members for the last few years and was much appreciative this week when he received his plaque for service on the Board.

With no further business to discuss, a motion for adjournment was made by Mr. Granier, seconded by Mrs. Bazare, and carried unanimously. The Library Board of Control was adjourned at approximately 5:39pm.