

SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – WEST (SLFPA-W)
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, December 12, 2023

The SLFPA-W Board of Commissioners met at approximately 4:00 P.M., Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at the Moreau Center – MC Conference Room – University of Holy Cross, 4123 Woodland Drive, Algiers, LA 70131.

Mr. Burke called the public meeting to order and directed Mr. Gauthé to call the roll.

Commissioners in attendance at the Moreau Center – MC Conference Room – University of Holy Cross: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Burke, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Gauthé, and Mr. Robinson. Mr. Galloway arrived at 4:04 P.M.

Mr. Burke led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Ms. Foster, seconded by Mr. Robinson, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to affirm the agenda as presented.

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mr. Gauthé, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to accept and approve the minutes of the November 28, 2023 regular board meeting.

There were no public comments.

Mr. Burke presented the President’s report for the month of December.

Mr. Gauthé reported on the activities, meetings, and issues of the Administration Committee meeting for the month of December.

Mr. Robinson reported on the activities, meetings, and issues of the Operations and Maintenance Committee meeting for the month of December.

Mr. Cali presented the Regional Director’s report for the month of December.

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Ms. Foster, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to approve bills for payment for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Ms. Foster, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to adopt the 2024 Board and Committee Meeting Schedules for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Robinson, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to enter into the In Kind Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Department of the Army, the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority Board of Louisiana, and SLFPA-W establishing eligibility for In Kind Credit for all work performed by or on behalf of the Non-Federal Sponsor in furtherance of the West Bank & Vicinity (WBV) lift program as authorized in the Water Resources Reform and Development Act (WRRDA) 2014. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Ardoin, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the use of Gulf Stream Diving and Salvage to perform maintenance dredging in accordance with their provided quotation at costs not to exceed \$3000 for mobilization and demobilization, and \$6300 per day for required dredging activity; and to authorize the President’s decision to execute any contracts, agreements, and documents to carry out the intent of this action, and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Fogle, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize a task order with HNTB to perform a Safety Assurance Review (SAR) for the Bayou Segnette Levee Lift project at a cost not to exceed \$48,000; and to authorize the President’s decision to execute any contracts, agreements, and documents to carry out the intent of this action, and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Fogle, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize a task order with HNTB to perform an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Bayou Segnette Levee Lift project at a cost not to exceed \$48,000; and to authorize the President's decision to execute any contracts, agreements, and documents to carry out the intent of this action, and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None

Mr. Burke announced the next board meeting of the Authority is to be held Tuesday, January 30, 2024, at the SLFPA-W – Office – Board Room, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana at 4:00 PM.

The agenda being completed, Mr. Burke declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:36 P.M.