

SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – WEST (SLFPA-W)
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, April 26, 2022

The SLFPA-W Board of Commissioners met at approximately 4:00 P.M. Tuesday, April 26, 2022 at the SLFPA-W – Office – Board Room, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana.

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

Commissioners in attendance at the SLFPA-W – Office – Board Room, 7001 River Road: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Burke, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Julien, Mr. Robinson, and Mr. Thomas. Ms. Foster was absent.

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

It was moved by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Thomas, 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 March 29, 2022 regular board meeting.

Mr. Burke opened the public meeting at 4:01 P.M. There were no public comments for the public hearing.

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Robinson, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to adopt a resolution of the Board of Commissioners for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, for and on behalf of the West Jefferson Levee District, to levy the millage(s) on the 2022 tax roll on all property subject to taxation.

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. Ardoin, Mr. Burke, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Julien, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Thomas

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Ms. Foster

RECUSED: None

Mr. Burke closed the public hearing at 4: 03 P.M.

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

Mr. Gauthé reported on the activities, meetings, and issues of the Finance, Administration, Legal, and Public Information (FALPI) Committee during the month of April.

Mr. Robinson reported the Technical, Operations, and Maintenance (TOM) Committee did not meet in April.

Mr. Cali presented the Regional Director's report for the month of April.

There were no public comments before the public meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Robinson, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to approve bills for payment and accept financial statements as submitted 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. Gauthé, Mr. Julien, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Thomas
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Ms. Foster
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Ardoin, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West and the Parish of Jefferson for Phase Two of the all-weather access road. The District and the Parish agree to contribute Fifty Percent (50%) each of the Total Project Costs up to One Million (\$1,000,000.00) Dollars. The contribution of the District shall not exceed Five Hundred Thousand (\$500,000.00) Dollars, and the Parish shall be solely responsible for all Project costs which exceed One Million (\$1,000,000.00) Dollars, and to authorize the President's decision to execute any contracts, agreements, and documents to carry out the intent of this action. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Julien, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Thomas
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Ms. Foster
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Thomas, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to approve the purchase of four (4) John Deere 5115M Utility Tractors in an amount not to exceed \$270,000.00, and to authorize the President's decision to execute any contracts, agreements, and documents to carry out the intent of this action. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Julien, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Thomas
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Ms. Foster
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Robinson, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to approve the purchase of replacement server hardware: three (3) Dell EMC AX-650 systems and ancillary equipment as required in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00, and to authorize the President's decision to execute any contracts, agreements, and documents to carry out the intent of this action. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Julien, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Thomas
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Ms. Foster
RECUSED: None

Mr. Burke thanked Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Connick and Mr. Bordelon for their efforts in revising the bylaws. It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Robinson, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to approve and adopt the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West Bylaws revisions. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Julien, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Thomas
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Ms. Foster
RECUSED: None

Mr. Burke asked for three Commissioners to volunteer for the annual Spohrer Employee Award Committee. Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Julien and Mr. Robinson will review the nominations.

Mr. Burke announced the next board meeting of the Authority is to be held Tuesday, May 24, 2022, at the Moreau Center, MC Conference Room at the University of Holy Cross, 4123 Woodland Drive, Algiers, Louisiana at 4:00 PM.

The agenda being completed, Mr. Burke declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:21 P.M.