

SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – WEST (SLFPA-W)  
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting  
Tuesday, June 27, 2017

The SLFPA-W Board of Commissioners met at approximately 4:30 PM on Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at University Holy Cross – Moreau Center, 4123 Woodland Drive, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Ms. Maclay called the public meeting to order and directed Mr. Dauphin to call the roll.

Commissioners in attendance were: Mr. Dauphin, Ms. Maclay, Mr. Merritt, Mr. Thomas and Mr. Wilkinson. Mr. Julien arrived at 4:33 PM. Mr. Gaddy was absent.

Ms. Maclay led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Merritt and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to amend the agenda to move the Executive Session between items 16 and 17.

It was moved by Mr. Wilkinson, seconded by Mr. Dauphin and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to affirm the agenda as amended.

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Thomas and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to accept and approve the minutes of the May 30, 2017 regular board meeting.

There were no public comments.

It was moved by unanimous proclamation to adopt a resolution to sincerely express the gratitude of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West Board of Commissioners upon Mr. Paul R. Dauphin for his loyal service as Commissioner for the Southeast Flood Protection Authority – West to the residents on the West Bank of Jefferson and Orleans Parishes. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Ms. Maclay, Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien, Mr. Merritt and Mr. Thomas  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy  
RECUSED: None

It was moved by unanimous proclamation to adopt a resolution to sincerely express the gratitude of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West Board of Commissioners upon Mr. Michael L. Merritt for his loyal service as Commissioner for the Southeast Flood Protection Authority – West to the residents on the West Bank of Jefferson and Orleans Parishes. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Ms. Maclay, Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien, Mr. Merritt and Mr. Thomas  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy  
RECUSED: None

It was moved and approved by unanimous acclamation of the Commissioners in attendance to recognize Mr. Jerry Strong as the recipient of the Gerald A. “Jerry” Spohrer Memorial Award for Excellence in recognition of his outstanding service to the Authority during the period spanning from April 2016 to March 2017:

YEAS: Ms. Maclay, Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien, Mr. Merritt and Mr. Thomas  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy  
RECUSED: None

Mr. Daul presented the insurance renewal rates for 2017-2018.

Mr. Dauphin led the millage election discussion. Mr. Pickering reviewed the tentative schedule for the November 18, 2017 millage election. No action was taken.

Ms. Maclay presented the President's report for the month of June.

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

Mr. Wilkinson reported on the activities, meetings and issues of the Technical, Operations and Maintenance (TOM) Committee during the month of June.

Mr. Merritt reported on Environmental and Research (ER) issues during the month of June. A hard copy of his report was given to the Commissioners and is available to the public upon request.

Mr. Monzon presented the Regional Director's report for the month of June.

It was moved by Ms. Maclay, seconded by Mr. Thomas and unanimously approved by the members in attendance to enter executive session. The Committee entered executive session at approximately 5:35 P.M. Mr. Pickering provided an update on one case:

- a. Angela D. wife of/ and Mark L. Magee vs West Jefferson Levee District and Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West No. 709-308, 24<sup>th</sup> J.D.C.

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Wilkinson and unanimously approved by the members in attendance to exit executive session. The Committee exited executive session at approximately 5:46 P.M. No action was taken.

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Thomas and approved by a majority of Commissioners in attendance to approve bills for payment and accept financial statements as submitted for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West and its member districts. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien and Mr. Thomas  
NAYS: Mr. Merritt  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy  
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Julien and approved by a majority of Commissioners in attendance to authorize the administration to purchase general liability insurance coverage with Lloyd's of London for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West and its member districts for the period from July 1, 2017 to July 1, 2018, in the amount of \$145,982.66. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien and Mr. Merritt  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: Mr. Thomas  
ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy  
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Merritt, and approved by a majority of Commissioners in attendance to authorize the administration to purchase property insurance coverage with AXIS A + XV for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West and its member districts for the period from July 1, 2017 to July 1, 2018, in the amount of \$23,329.13. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien and Mr. Merritt  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: Mr. Thomas  
ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy  
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Merritt, and approved by a majority of Commissioners in attendance to authorize the administration to purchase business auto insurance coverage with Houston Specialty Insurance Co. for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West and its member districts for the period from July 1, 2017 to July 1, 2018, in the amount of \$107,211.87, and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien and Mr. Merritt  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: Mr. Thomas  
ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy  
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Merritt, and approved by a majority of Commissioners in attendance to authorize the administration to purchase professional liability insurance coverage with Indian Harbor Insurance Co. for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West and its member districts for the period from July 1, 2017 to July 1, 2018, in the amount of \$19,328.05. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien and Mr. Merritt  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: Mr. Thomas  
ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy  
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Merritt, and approved by a majority of Commissioners in attendance to authorize the administration to purchase umbrella liability insurance coverage for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West and its member districts for the period from July 1, 2017 to July 1, 2018 and for this action to be taken by the President as part of her authority. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien and Mr. Merritt  
NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: Mr. Thomas  
ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy  
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Merritt, and approved by a majority of Commissioners in attendance to authorize the administration to purchase worker's compensation insurance coverage with LUBA for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West and its member districts for the period from July 1, 2017 to July 1, 2018, in the amount of \$44,158. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien and Mr. Merritt  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: Mr. Thomas  
ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy  
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Merritt, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to award Bid Number 279, annual purchase of materials: clay, 6/10 Mexican limestone and 57 limestone, for the period from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, to Beverly Construction LLC 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. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien, Mr. Merritt and Mr. Thomas  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy  
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Merritt, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to award Bid Number 279, annual purchase of materials: rip rap, 6/10 gray limestone and 57 gray limestone, for the period from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, to Pontchartrain Materials LLC 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. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien, Mr. Merritt and Mr. Thomas  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy  
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Merritt, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to award Bid Number 279, annual purchase of materials: pump sand and embankment material, for the period from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, to Wood Materials, LLC 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. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien, Mr. Merritt and Mr. Thomas  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy  
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Merritt, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to award Bid Number 280, annual equipment rental: all items excluding boom lifts, for the period from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, to Beverly Construction LLC 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. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien, Mr. Merritt and Mr. Thomas  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy  
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Merritt, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to award Bid Number 280, annual equipment rental: boom lifts, for the period from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, to NES Rentals 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. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien, Mr. Merritt and Mr. Thomas  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy  
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Merritt, 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 to amend the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West Bylaws to:

- i. Delete Section IV of Article I; and
- ii. Delete the following language from Article II, Section I (A):  
“The President and the Secretary-Treasurer must reside within the territorial jurisdiction of the Authority. The Vice President must reside within 150 miles of the domicile of the Authority.”

The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien, Mr. Merritt and Mr. Thomas  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy  
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Merritt, seconded by Mr. Julien, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to cosponsor and authorize participation in the “Louisiana Coastal Geology Framework Symposium” scheduled for July 26, 2017 at the Energy, Coast and Environment Building at LSU in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien, Mr. Merritt and Mr. Thomas  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy

RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Merritt, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to request the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority to seek permission from the United States Army Corps of Engineers to pay the judgment in the matter entitled Angela D. wife of/and Mark L. Magee vs. West Jefferson Levee District and Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, Proceedings Number 709-308, 24TH Judicial District Court for the Parish of Jefferson, Division A. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien, Mr. Merritt and Mr. Thomas

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy

RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Merritt, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to amend the budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, as follows:

- i. Increase “ALD-Ad Valorem Taxes” from \$2,601,836.94 to \$2,719,906.22
- ii. Increase “Permit Fees” from \$15,000.00 to \$29,000.00

The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Julien, Mr. Merritt and Mr. Thomas

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Mr. Gaddy

RECUSED: None

Ms. Maclay announced that the next regular board meeting of the Authority will be held in the Board Room at the SLFPA-W Office, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana, on Tuesday, July 25, 2017, at 5:30 PM.

The agenda being completed, Ms. Maclay declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:07 PM.

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Susan H. Maclay, President

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Paul Dauphin, Secretary – Treasurer