

SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – WEST (SLFPA-W)
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 27, 2023

The SLFPA-W Board of Commissioners met at approximately 4:00 P.M., Tuesday, June 27, 2023 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: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Burke, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson and Mr. Thomas.

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

Agenda amendment: It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Ms. Foster, and unanimously approved by roll call vote to amend motion 13h to remove Amrisc in the amount of \$73,234; and divide motion 13h into three parts:

13h1: Purchase Citizens – Wind Only in the amount of \$30,850.00

13h2: Purchase Gridiron – Fire Only in the amount of \$18,391.00.

13h3: Purchase Liberty Mutual Equipment Breakdown in the amount of \$1,000.00.

The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Burke, Ms. Foster, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Julien, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Thomas

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

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

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 May 23, 2023 regular board meeting.

There were no public comments for the public meeting.

The Board presented Commissioner Robert Thomas with a resolution honoring him for his service to the SLFPA-W Board. The Commissioners thanked Mr. Thomas for his years of service to the SLFPA-W.

Mr. Daul of USI briefed the Board on the 2023-2024 SLFPA-W insurance renewals. Mr. Burke suggested moving future insurance renewal dates to another month to ensure continuity of operations during hurricane season. Mr. Burke added this as an agenda item for the July Committees to discuss.

Mr. Burke presented the President's report for the month of June.

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

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

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

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, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Thomas
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Robinson, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to accept and approve the Compliance Questionnaire for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, and to evidence that approval by its execution, by the President and Secretary-Treasurer, all in connection with the 2022-2023 audit. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Thomas
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 bid advertisement of Project #20230705: West Closure Complex Programmable Logic Controller Replacement. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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

It was moved by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Ms. Foster, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to award Bid Number 303, annual purchase of materials for the

period from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, to Beverly Construction Co., LLC, and to Otwell Services 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. Ardoin, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Thomas
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Ms. Foster, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to award Bid Number 304, annual equipment rental for the period from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, to Beverly LLC for all items bid; to Otwell Services LLC for all items bid; to Lee Tractor for front end loader (without operator), backhoe (without operator), and bobcat (without operator); and to Louisiana CAT for portable light tower and boom lift; 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, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Thomas
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Galloway, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the administration to purchase general liability insurance with Lloyd's of London for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, West Jefferson Levee District and Algiers Levee District, for the period from July 1, 2023 to July 1, 2024, in the amount of \$161,207.00 and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Thomas
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 authorize the administration to purchase business auto insurance coverage with Houston Specialty Insurance Co. for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District, for the period from July 1, 2023 to July 1, 2024, in the amount of \$196,537.00, and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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

ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Galloway, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the administration to purchase commercial property insurance coverage with the following: Citizens – Wind Only in the amount of \$30,850.00; Gridiron – Fire Only in the amount of \$18,391.00; Liberty Mutual Equipment Breakdown in the amount of \$1,000.00 for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District, for the period from July 1, 2023 to July 1, 2024, and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Robinson, and unanimously approved by the 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, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District, for the period from July 1, 2023 to July 1, 2024, in the amount of \$22,576.00, and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Ardoin, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the administration to purchase umbrella liability insurance coverage with Lloyd’s of London for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District, for the period from July 1, 2023 to July 1, 2024, in the amount of \$92,700.00 and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Thomas
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 authorize the administration to purchase worker’s compensation

insurance coverage with LUBA Casualty Insurance Company for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District, for the period from July 1, 2023 to July 1, 2024, in the amount of \$42,634.00. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Thomas
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 authorize the administration to purchase contractors’ pollution liability coverage with Westchester Surplus Lines Insurance Company for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District, for the period from July 1, 2023 to July 1, 2024, in the amount of \$8,987.00, and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Robinson, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to amend the budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, as follows:

- i. Increase “Ad Valorem Taxes” from \$14,077,617. to \$14,503,867.
- ii. Increase “Interest” from \$30,000. to \$157,000.
- iii. Decrease “Permit Fees” from \$30,000. to \$20,000.
- iv. Increase “Misc. Income” from \$10,000. to \$20,000.
- v. Decrease “Sale of Equipment” from \$215,500. to \$107,995.
- vi. Increase “Plaquemines Parish Cost Share” from \$200,000 to \$240,000.
- vii. Increase “FEMA Reimbursement” from 0 to \$636,796.93.
- viii. Increase “Electricity-Utilities” from \$45,000 to \$60,000.
- ix. Increase “Flood Prot. Material & Supplies” from \$135,000 to \$150,000.
- x. Increase “Equipment Outside Repair/Inspect.” From \$90,000 to \$100,000.
- xi. Increase “Fuel Purchases” from \$150,000 to \$175,000. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Mr. Burke announced the next board meeting of the Authority is to be held Tuesday, July 18, 2023, at the SLFPA-W – Office – Board Room, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana at 4:00 PM. Mr. Burke welcomed incoming Commissioner, Col. Bill Fogle.

The agenda being completed, Mr. Burke declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:28 P.M.