SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – WEST

Finance, Administration, Legal, and Public Information Committee Meeting

Thursday, May 24, 2012

The Finance, Administration, Legal, and Public Information (FALPI) Committee of the SLFPA-W met on May 24, 2012 with the following members present: Mr. Dauphin, chairman, Ms. Maclay and Mr. Camnetar. Also in attendance were: Mr. Miserendino, Mr. Spohrer, Mr. Ehrhardt, public information services, Ryan Daul from Daul Insurance and Mr. Falcon, Mr. Avant, Mr. Pickering and Ms. Cosenza, legal counsel.

Mr. Dauphin called the meeting to order in the Commissioners’ meeting room at the SLFPA-W Office, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana, at approximately 6:00 pm.

The Committee unanimously approved the agenda as presented.

Mayor Shaddinger addressed the Committee during Public Comments, offering comments on the public perception of flood protection issues at WBV-14c.2.

The Committee reviewed and unanimously approved the minutes from the previous meeting, dated April 19, 2012, as presented.

Ryan Daul made a presentation on insurance renewals for the coming fiscal year.

Chairman Dauphin convened a closed Executive Session to discuss matters that remain in litigation. Ms. Cosenza presented an update on Churchill Farms v. WJLD. She will come back to a future Committee meeting to brief the Committee on developments in the case. Mr. Pickering presented an update on West Jefferson Properties v. WJLD & LaDOTD. No action was taken on either case.

After adjournment of the Executive Session, Mr. Spohrer presented a brief review of the land acquisition report.

Mr. Miserendino and Ms. Maclay led a discussion on SLFPA – W’s current Training and Education Policy and Procedure Memorandum. Mr. Falcon presented policies currently in use by other state agencies. After discussion, the Committee requested Mr. Falcon to draft a policy that incorporates several suggestions made during the Committee’s discussion, and present it at a future meeting of the FALPI Committee.

Mr. Miserendino then led a short discussion on changes to SLFPA – W’s current Safety Policy and Procedure Memorandum (#11-21). The Committee reviewed the changes and agreed to recommend approval by the Board.

Mr. Miserendino presented an update of the check register, budget, and financial statements for SLFPA – W and its member districts. The Committee unanimously agreed to recommend the check register, budget, and financial statements for approval by the Board.

Mr. Miserendino mentioned the expected annual payment of funding from CPRA and brief discussion followed. When asked, Mr. Avant briefly commented on follow-up for this issue.

Agenda item 11, to discuss a request for proposal for engineering services, was tabled until the June FALPI meeting.

Mr. Miserendino presented a proposal for civil engineering services from Burk-Kleinpeter to review the Tiger Team report, with a $10,000.00 maximum cost for three months. The Committee unanimously agreed to recommend approval by the Board.

Mr. Miserendino presented a review of two-year contract renewals with The Ehrhardt Group, J. Chris Compton Abstracters, Tatje Title & Leasing, Wayne Sandoz & Associates, Bird & Associates, Argote, Derbes, Graham, Shuffield & Tatje, Inc. and Dufrene Surveying & Engineering. Also, he presented a review of one year contracts with Beverly Industries, Kass Brothers, TRM Aggregate and Vulcan Materials. After a brief discussion, the Committee decided to recommend all these contracts for approval by the Board.

Mr. Miserendino led a discussion about permit requests from filming companies. Mr. Avant explained that a short term lease should be issued, with a daily fee charged for the duration of the filming activities. The Committee unanimously agreed to recommend approval by the Board. Mr. Dauphin will gather information from the Port of New Orleans about lease fees, and report back to the Committee at the June meeting. The Committee agreed to review requests on a case-by-case basis, until a comprehensive policy is written.

The Committee agreed to table the review of the Commissioners’ travel expense reports for May until the June meeting.

Mr. Dauphin announced that the next regularly scheduled Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 21, 2012 at 6:00 pm in the Commissioners’ meeting room at the SLFPA-W Office, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:31 pm.