SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – WEST (SLFPA-W) Operations and Maintenance Committee Meeting Tuesday, September 10, 2024

The Operations and Maintenance Committee of the SLFPA-W met Tuesday, September 10, 2024, with the following members present: Mr. Robinson, Chairman, Mr. Ardoin, and Mr. Galloway.

Mr. Robinson called the meeting to order in the SLFPA–W Office Commissioners' Room, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana at approximately 10:00 A.M.

It was moved by Mr. Ardoin, seconded by Mr. Galloway, and unanimously carried by the members in attendance to approve the agenda as presented.

There were no public comments.

It was moved by Mr. Galloway, seconded by Mr. Ardoin, and unanimously carried by the members in attendance to approve the minutes from the previous meeting, dated August 13, 2024.

Mr. Bergeron provided an update on incidents and safety matters.

Mr. Noel presented proposals for the following: the newly revised SLFPAW organizational chart, and the position descriptions for Regional Director, Deputy Director, and Levee Operations Superintendent. Mr. Galloway recommended that the Deputy Director Position be modified to indicate an administrative review of public bid packages in lieu of the current "technical Review and Approval" language. After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Robinson, second by Mr. Ardoin, and unanimously carried by the members in attendance to recommend the proposals for the newly revised organizational chart and Deputy Director position be sent to the Board for approval at the September 17, 2024 Board meeting.

Mr. Noel updated the Committee on the proposed vehicle purchase of one (1) Ford F-450 Diesel Regular Cab & Chassis with mechanic body, heavy duty service truck crane and associated items in an amount not to exceed \$140,000.00 to replace unit 3096. After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Galloway, and unanimously carried by the members in attendance to recommend the purchase of one Ford F-450 Diesel Regular Cab & Chassis (not to exceed \$65,000) with mechanic body, heavy duty service truck crane and associated items (not to exceed \$75,000) to the Board for approval at the September 17, 2024 Board meeting.

Mr. Bosch updated the Committee on the upcoming fiscal agent agreement proposals. The advertisements for bids begin September 25, 2024, and bids close October 18, 2024. The bid will be an item for approval at the November 2024 regular board meeting.

Mr. Noel presented the proposed newly revised SLFPAW Permit Program policy. The Committee recommended the proposed Permit Program policy to the Administration Committee for approval.

Mr. Noel briefed the Committee on the SLFPA-W Strategic Plan proposals from Strategic Instincts and Trepwise. The Committee recommended moving forward with Strategic Insights. The

Administration Committee will consider the proposals at the September 10, 2024 committee meeting.

Mr. Noel briefed the Committee on the upcoming SLFPAW Policy reviews. Proposed policy updates will be reviewed at the October 8, 2024 Committee meeting.

Mr. Bordelon provided a legal update. After discussion, the O&M Committee stated their support for the RISEE Act.

Mr. Pickering provided an update on the State of Louisiana vs Department of Homeland Security, and the millage tax renewal election preparation.

Mr. Noel presented the Director's Executive Tracking list, and capital projects update, for the month of September. The Committee will review and provide feedback for the Executive Tracking list.

Mr. Galloway requested a status update from USACE on the 408 progress for the Bayou Segnette Levee Lift before the October 7, 2024 meeting so that our concerns with permitting duration can be presented to USACE leadership.

The Committee also gave its support to the resolution in favor of the constitutional amendment proposed by HB 300, by Representative Joe Orgeron.

The next regularly scheduled Operations and Maintenance Committee meeting will be held Tuesday, October 8, 2024, at 1:30 P.M. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the SLFPA-W Office, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:00 A.M.