

SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – WEST BANK (SLFPA-W)  
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting  
Tuesday, January 27, 2026

The SLFPA-W Board of Commissioners met at approximately 4:00 P.M., Tuesday, January 27, 2026 at the SLFPA-W – Office – Board Room, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana.

Mr. Burke welcomed Mr. Kenneth Pickering to the meeting.

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, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, and Mr. Robinson. Mr. Fogle was absent.

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

It was moved by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Gauthé, 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 December 16, 2025 regular board meeting.

There were no public comments.

Mr. Burke gave the President's Report for the month of January.

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

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

Mr. Noel presented the Regional Director's Report for the month of January.

Mr. Burke read the following Announcement: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Commissioners of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West Bank, acting as the governing authority of the West Jefferson Levee District, plans to consider adopting a resolution to adopt and levy for the 2028 tax year the special tax of 4.75 mills approved by the voters on November 15, 2025 at a Public Hearing on Tuesday, February 24, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. at the regular meeting place in Jefferson Parish, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana.

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Ardoin, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to adopt a resolution providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the Special Election held by the West Jefferson Levee District, on Saturday,

November 15, 2025 and to promulgate the results thereof. The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Burke, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Mr. Fogle  
RECUSED: None  
VACANY: One (1)

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 Bank, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Mr. Fogle  
RECUSED: None  
VACANY: One (1)

It was moved by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Ardoin, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to approve the Arcadis U.S. Inc. Task Order to provide Construction Administration & Inspection (CAI) services for the WBV 16.2b Bayou Segnette levee lift project in an amount not to exceed \$183,886.00; and to further authorize the President to execute any contracts, agreements, and documents to carry out the intent of this action; and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Burke, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Mr. Fogle  
RECUSED: Mr. Galloway  
VACANY: One (1)

It was moved by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Galloway, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to approve the Digital Engineering & Imaging Inc. Task Order for continuation of services regarding the Harvey Canal Complex Fender Repair Project in an amount not to exceed \$276,960.00; and to further authorize the President to execute any contracts, agreements, and documents to carry out the intent of this action; and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Mr. Fogle  
RECUSED: None  
VACANY: One (1)

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Robinson, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the payoff of the outstanding West Jefferson Levee District Limited Tax Certificate of Indebtedness Series 2016 with a principal balance of \$4,601,000.00 plus all outstanding interest due to Hancock – Whitney Bank, and to further authorize the President to execute any documents to carry out the intent of this action; and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Mr. Fogle  
RECUSED: None  
VACANY: One (1)

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Galloway, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to adopt the revisions to the 2025-2030 Strategic Plan as presented for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West Bank. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Mr. Fogle  
RECUSED: None  
VACANY: One (1)

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Robinson, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to adopt the revisions to SLFPA-W Policy #11-03-Overtime as presented with an effective date of January 27, 2026. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Mr. Fogle  
RECUSED: None  
VACANY: One (1)

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Ardoin, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to adopt the revisions to SLFPA-W Policy #11-29-Dress Code, as presented with an effective date of January 27, 2026. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: Mr. Fogle  
RECUSED: None  
VACANY: One (1)

Mr. Burke announced the next public hearing and board meeting of the Authority will be held Tuesday, February 24, 2026 at the SLFPA-W – Office – Board Room, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana at 4:00 PM.

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