

SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – WEST (SLFPA-W)
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, October 27, 2020

In accordance with R.S. 42:17:1 and JBE 2020-25, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West will hold its' Tuesday, October 27, 2020 Regular Board Meeting in person and by teleconference. Pursuant to Proclamation Number JBE 2020-25, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West will hold its' Regular Board Meeting in person and via teleconference, otherwise unable to operate due to limitations on public gatherings, and to assure quorum requirements during this public health emergency. Public comments will accepted during the teleconference meeting.

To submit a public comment, please submit by email to: publiccomments@slfpaw.org. Please include full name and business/organization represented. Comments received will be read and recorded during the meeting.

The SLFPA-W Board of Commissioners met at approximately 4:00 P.M. Tuesday, October 27, 2020 by teleconference and in person in 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, 7001 River Road: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Burke, Ms. Foster, Mr. Gauthé and Mr. Robinson. Attending by teleconference: Mr. Julien. Mr. Thomas 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 September 29, 2020 regular board meeting.

There were no public comments.

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

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

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

In Mr. Cali's absence, Mr. Noel presented the Regional Director's report for the month of October.

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. Gauthé, Mr. Julien, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Mr. Thomas
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Julien, seconded by Mr. Gauthé and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the intergovernmental agreement (IGA) between SLFPA-W and Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA) for the Accelerated Levee System Evaluation, and to authorize the President to execute any contracts, agreements, and documents to carry out the intent of this action, and to amend the 2020-2021 FY budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Ardoin and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize attendance for Commissioners and key staff at the 85th Annual Meeting of the Mississippi Valley Flood Control Association, December 3-5, 2020, at the Westin Canal Place Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Robinson and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to amend the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West Substance Abuse Policy #11-24. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Robinson and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance amend the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West Smoking/Vaping Policy #11-28. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Mr. Thomas

RECUSED: None

Mr. Burke announced the next board meeting of the Authority is to be held Tuesday, November 17, 2020, 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 4:14 P.M.

Scott M. Burke, President

Stephen P. Gauthé, Secretary – Treasurer