SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY - WEST (SLFPA-W)

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 19, 2024

The SLFPA-W Board of Commissioners met at approximately 4:00 P.M., Tuesday, November 19,

2024 at the SLFPA-W - Office - Board Room, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana.

Mr. Burke called the public meeting to order and directed Ms. Foster to call the roll.

Commissioners in attendance at the SLFPA-W - Office - Board Room: Mr. Ardoin Mr. Burke, Mr.

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

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

It was moved by Ms. Foster, seconded by Mr. Ardoin, and unanimously approved by the

Commissioners in attendance to affirm the agenda as presented.

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mr. Robinson, and unanimously approved by the

Commissioners in attendance to accept and approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of

October 29, 2024.

Mr. Dan Gonder of Strategic Insights presented the initial draft document of the SLFPA-W 5-year

Strategic Plan.

There were no public comments about the millage adoption.

It was moved by Mr. Burke and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to adopt

a Resolution of the Board of Commissioners for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority

- West, for and on behalf of the Algiers Levee District, to levy the millage(s) on the 2025 tax roll on

all property subject to taxation.

The Resolution was read in full; the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the Resolution was

adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Burke, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Mr. Gauthé

**RECUSED:** None

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

The minutes of the activities, meetings, and issues of the Administration Committee during the month of November were entered into record.

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

Mr. Noel presented the Regional Director's report for the month of November. Mr. Fogle requested updates on the negotiations with the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) regarding Project Partnership Agreements (PPA). Mr. Burke requested Mr. Noel update the Board on the issues in his December 17, 2024 regular board meeting Regional Director's report.

There were no public comments.

It was moved by Ms. Foster, seconded by Mr. Fogle, 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, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: Mr. Gauthé RECUSED: None

It was moved by Ms. Foster, seconded by Mr. Fogle, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to select Gulf Coast Bank & Trust Company as the fiscal agent and authorized depository bank for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West and to authorize a contract for Fiscal Agent Services in accordance with the Request for Proposals and the proposed terms submitted by Gulf Coast Bank & Trust Company; and to further authorize the President 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, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: Mr. Gauthé RECUSED: None It was moved by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Ardoin, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize a Change Order in the amount of \$4,000.00 for the Peters Road Stairs Contract with C&C Machine; and to further authorize the President 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, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: Mr. Gauthé RECUSED: None

It was moved by Ms. Foster, seconded by Mr. Fogle, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to adopt the revisions to SLFPAW Policy #11-02 Attendance & Leave as presented with an effective date of November 19, 2024. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: Mr. Gauthé RECUSED: None

It was moved by Ms. Foster, seconded by Mr. Fogle, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to adopt the revisions to SLFPAW Policy #11-27 Grievance as presented with an effective date of November 19, 2024. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: Mr. Gauthé RECUSED: None

It was moved by Ms. Foster, seconded by Mr. Fogle, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to adopt the revisions to SLFPAW Policy #11-29 Dress Code as presented with an effective date of November 19, 2024. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: Mr. Gauthé

## **RECUSED:** None

It was moved by Ms. Foster, seconded by Mr. Fogle, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to adopt the revisions to SLFPAW Policy #11-30 Media Communications as presented with an effective date of November 19, 2024. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: Mr. Gauthé RECUSED: None

It was moved by Ms. Foster, seconded by Mr. Fogle, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to adopt the revisions to SLFPAW Policy #11-31 Removal of Authority Records as presented with an effective date of November 19, 2024. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: Mr. Gauthé RECUSED: None

It was moved by Ms. Foster, seconded by Mr. Robinson, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to adopt the revisions to SLFPAW Policy #11-37 Internal Controls as presented with an effective date of November 19, 2024. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: Mr. Gauthé RECUSED: None

Mr. Burke announced the next board meeting of the Authority is to be held Tuesday, December 17, 2024, at the Moreau Center – MC Conference Room– University of Holy Cross, 4123 Woodland Drive, Algiers, Louisiana at 4:00 PM.

The agenda being completed, Mr. Burke declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:41 P.M.