

SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – WEST (SLFPA-W)
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, April 29, 2025

The SLFPA-W Board of Commissioners met at approximately 4:00 P.M., Tuesday, April 29, 2025 at 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: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Burke, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, and Mr. Robinson.

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

The Board tabled Agenda Item 13k: Motion to authorize a task order with HNTB to develop Work In Kind Crediting Packages, until the May 27, 2025 regular board meeting for further review by Commissioners.

It was moved by Mr. Robinson and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to affirm the agenda.

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 March 25, 2025 regular board meeting.

There were no public comments.

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

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

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

Mr. Noel presented the Regional Director's report for the month of April.

There were no public comments for the resolution adoption.

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Ms. Foster, 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, March 29, 2025 and to promulgate the results thereof. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Burke, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Ms. Foster, 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, 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. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Ms. Foster, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the administration to purchase general liability insurance coverage with Lloyd's of London for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, West Jefferson Levee District and Algiers Levee District, for the period from May 1, 2025 to May 1, 2026, in the amount of \$162,216.06; and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Ms. Foster, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the administration to purchase excess liability insurance coverage with Lloyd's of London for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District, for the period from May 1, 2025 to May 1, 2026, in the amount of \$100,031.09; and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Ms. Foster, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the administration to purchase property – wind only insurance coverage with Citizens Insurance Company for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District, for the period from May 1, 2025 to May 1, 2026, in the amount of \$34,321.00; and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Robinson, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the administration to purchase property – fire only insurance coverage with Gridiron Insurance Company for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District, for the period from May 1, 2025 to May 1, 2026, in the amount of \$19,231.59; and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Fogle, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the administration to purchase business auto insurance coverage with Houston Casualty Insurance Company for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District, for the period from May 1, 2025 to May 1, 2026, in the amount of \$200,767.29; and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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

NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Fogle, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the administration to purchase worker's compensation insurance coverage with LUBA Casualty Insurance Company for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District, for the period from May 1, 2025 to May 1, 2026, in the amount of \$48,666.00; and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Fogle, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the administration to purchase professional liability insurance coverage with Indian Harbor Insurance Company for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District, for the period from May 1, 2025 to May 1, 2026, in the amount of \$24,162.68; and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Fogle, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the administration to purchase contractors' pollution liability insurance coverage with Westchester Surplus Lines Insurance Company for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District, for the period from May 1, 2025 to May 1, 2026, in the amount of \$8,870.31; and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Galloway, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize a task order with Digital Engineering to perform a drainage system evaluation and study for the Peters Road Floodwall in an amount not to exceed \$70,620.00, 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. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Ardoin, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize Marine Systems Inc. and Turner Industries to repair the Harvey Canal Complex radiator in an amount not to exceed \$145,000.00, 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. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Galloway, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the purchase of one (1) Ford F-450 Diesel Crew Cab & chassis with service body in an amount not to exceed \$90,000.00, 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. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Fogle, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the President to negotiate an extension amendment for the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA) between the Parish of Jefferson and SLFPA-W for the development of a paved path on the Mississippi River Levee to extend the termination date to May 4, 2027, 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. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Ms. Foster, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the President to negotiate an extension amendment for the Strategic Insight Partners Contract to extend the termination date to June 30, 2026, 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. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

Mr. Burke announced the next meeting of the Authority is a public hearing to be held Tuesday, May 27, 2025, at the SLFPA-W – Office – Board Room, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana at 4:00 PM. The regular board meeting will immediately follow the public hearing.

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