SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – WEST BANK (SLFPA-W)
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, August 25, 2026

The SLFPA-W Board of Commissioners met at approximately 4:00 P.M., Tuesday, August 25, 2026 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, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Kirkland, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nunes, and Mr. Robinson.

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

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, 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. Gauthé, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to accept and approve the minutes of the July 28, 2026 regular board meeting.

Public comments: Mr. Dauenhauer of Crown Point addressed the Board.

Mr. Burke opened nominations for the election of officers for 2026 – 2028.

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Robinson, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to re-elect Mr. Burke as President.

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mr. Gauthé, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to elect Mr. Robinson as Vice-President.

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mr. Robinson, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to re-elect Mr. Gauthé as Secretary-Treasurer.

Mr. Burke announced the Administration Committee: Mr. Gauthé, Chair, Mr. Fogle, and Mr. Kirkland. The Operations and Maintenance Committee: Mr. Robinson, Chair, Mr. Ardoin, and Mr. Martin.

Mr. Burke gave the President's Report for the month of August. Mr. Burke congratulated the two new SLFPA-W Commissioners: Mr. Matthew Martin and Mr. Patrick Nunes. He also congratulated Committee Chairs, Mr. Robinson and Mr. Gauthé, on election to their respective offices.

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

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

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

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Robinson, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to approve bills for payment for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West Bank, West Jefferson Levee District (WJLD), Algiers Levee District (ALD), and Lafitte Area Levee District (LALD). The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Kirkland, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nunes, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None
VACANCY: (1) One

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Kirkland, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the Secretary – Treasurer and President to review and approve the 2025-2026 audit of the Authority, and to execute any documents required to evidence Board approval. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Kirkland, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nunes, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None
VACANCY: (1) One

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Kirkland, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to adopt the revisions to SLFPA-W Policy #11-25 – Vehicle Operation, as presented with an effective date of August 25, 2026. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Kirkland, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nunes, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None
VACANCY: (1) One

It was moved by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Ardoin, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize ELOS Environmental LLC Task Order #7 for Herbicide Application for the Highway 307 Mitigation Project in an amount not to exceed $130,000.00; 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, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Kirkland, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nunes, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None
VACANCY: (1) One

It was moved by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Ardoin, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize advertisement of Bid #318 for a (1) time purchase of (1) 2026/2027 Model Year Dump Truck with 14 Cubic Yard dump bed needed for daily operations of the Authority; 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, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Kirkland, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nunes, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None
VACANCY: (1) One

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Fogle, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to adopt the LALD Budget Amendment for the 2026-2027 fiscal year. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Kirkland, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nunes, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None
VACANCY: (1) One

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Fogle, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize a Mutual Aid Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA) by and between the Association of Levee Boards of Louisiana (ALBL) and the West Jefferson Levee District, Algiers Levee District, and Lafitte Area Levee District for emergency services; 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, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Kirkland, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nunes, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None
VACANCY: (1) One

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Fogle, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the President to approve Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) contracts for Professional Services with the following firms for a term ending June 30, 2028:

i. AIMS Group Inc.
ii. APTIM Environmental & Infrastructure, LLC
iii. Barowka and Bonura Engineers and Consultants, LLC
iv. ECM Consultants, Inc.
v. Evans-Graves Engineers, Inc.
vi. G.E.C., Inc.
vii. GIS Engineering, Inc.
viii. Hartman Engineering, Inc.
ix. Professional Engineering and Environmental Consultants, Inc.
x. Principal Engineering, Inc.
xi. Meyer Engineers, Ltd. (Thompson Engineering)

The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Kirkland, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nunes, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None
VACANCY: (1) One

It was moved by Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Ardoin, and approved by a majority of the Commissioners in attendance to authorize Rosethorne Basin Phase #1 Change Order #3 for LALD tidal protection for Circle, LLC, subject to approval by the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA); 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. Burke, Mr. Fogle, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Kirkland, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nunes, Mr. Robinson
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None
VACANCY: (1) One

Mr. Burke announced the next public hearing and regular board meeting of the Authority are to be held Tuesday, September 22, 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 4:30 P.M.