

Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West (SLFPA-W)
Technical, Operations, and Maintenance Committee Meeting
Tuesday, August 11, 2015

The Technical, Operations, and Maintenance (TOM) Committee of the SLFPA – W met on Tuesday, August 11, 2015, with the following members present: Mr. Gaddy, chairman, Mr. Wilkinson and Mr. Julien. Also in attendance were: Mr. Monzon, Mr. Noel, Ms. Noll, Mr. Roark, Ms. Ortiz, public information, and Mr. Pickering, legal counsel. Mr. Avant, legal counsel, participated by phone.

Mr. Gaddy called the meeting to order in the Executive Emergency Operations Center (EOC) meeting room at the SLFPA – W Office, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana, at approximately 2:34 PM.

Mr. Gaddy thanked Mr. Wilkinson for his service as the past Chairman of this committee and stated that his goal is to keep the meetings efficient and productive, as well as informative and fresh.

The Committee approved the agenda as presented.

There were no public comments.

The Committee reviewed and approved the minutes from the previous meeting, dated July 8, 2015.

Mr. Pickering provided an update on the special ad valorem tax issues and the November 21 election. Mr. Julien arrived during this update at approximately 2:37 pm.

Mr. Monzon and Ms. Ford provide an overview of the different options regarding the organizational charts. The Committee indicated their support for Option 2.

Mr. Roark provided an update on safety matters including an incident report for the last month. Mr. Noel provided an overview of the safety policy updates made to date. Mr. Gaddy stated that Mr. Wilkinson will be working with staff toward a more robust safety program. The Committee will continue to be updated on safety matters.

Mr. Monzon provided an update on armoring status and issues. The Committee will be updated again at next month's meeting.

Mr. Monzon and Mr. Noel provided an update regarding West Closure Complex (WCC) issues. The Committee will be updated again at next month's meeting.

Mr. Gaddy led a discussion regarding development of criteria for evaluation of emerging technologies. The Committee agreed to continue work on development of criteria.

Mr. Noel presented the Hull/P&I insurance proposal for the boat. After discussion, the Committee requested staff research additional quotes and coverage. The Committee will be updated again at next month's meeting.

Mr. Monzon presented the updated draft of the Strategic Plan, and stated the need for input on the objectives, timeliness, and who would complete these measures. Mr. Gaddy stated that another draft was underway.

Mr. Monzon and Mr. Pickering provided an update on the recent millage presentation to BGR.

Mr. Monzon provided an overview of disposal options for woody debris. The Committee will be updated as additional information is available.

Mr. Monzon provided his Director's report of activities for the month of August and informed the Committee on pending issues.

Mr. Gaddy announced that the next regularly scheduled Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 8, 2015, at 2:30 PM in the Executive EOC meeting room at the SLFPA-W Office, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 3:57 PM.