

Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West (SLFPA-W)
Technical, Operations, and Maintenance Committee Meeting
Tuesday, April 12, 2016

The Technical, Operations, and Maintenance (TOM) Committee of the SLFPA-W met on Tuesday, April 12, 2016 with the following members present: Mr. Gaddy, chairman and Mr. Wilkinson. Mr. Julien was absent. Also in attendance were: Mr. Monzon, Mr. Roark, and Ms. Noll.

Mr. Gaddy called the meeting to order in the Commissioners' meeting room at the SLFPA-W Office, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana, at approximately 2:30 PM.

The Committee unanimously approved the agenda as presented.

There were no public comments.

The Committee reviewed and unanimously approved the minutes from the previous meeting, dated March 8, 2016.

Mr. Roark provided a report on safety incidents since the last meeting and the Committee requested staff review and revise language in the safety committee records. Mr. Monzon presented the draft safety policy/program manual created by Keystone Engineering for the Committee's review. The Committee will continue to be updated on safety matters.

Mr. Monzon provided an update on the lifts and armoring status.

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

Mr. Monzon provided information regarding the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) status/issues. The Committee requested additional information regarding a possible missile test and that Mr. Julien continue to be included in these conversations. The Committee requested that staff provide options/solutions in an AFE.

The Committee reviewed the handout regarding WCC labor costs and discussed future operations and maintenance staffing needs.

There was no new information regarding the Brooklyn Avenue building; however, the Committee requested that this remain on the agenda for future meetings.

Regarding geophysics testing, Mr. Monzon provided an update on discussions with LSU Geologist, Dr. Lorenzo. The Committee requested staff get a scope of work from Dr. Lorenzo to determine if the testing will cover the highest risk areas. The Committee directed staff to continue researching geophysics technology application opportunities with input from CPRA and Arcadis. The Committee discussed and directed staff to evaluate the desirability/viability of using geophysics monitoring and to obtain a proposal for thermal imaging in the Nine Mile Point area.

Mr. Monzon provided information regarding the NOAA hardened weather station versus the Sutron iridium transmission system. The Committee directed staff to pursue the more affordable Sutron system at the Bayou Segnette Complex.

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

Mr. Gaddy announced that the next regularly scheduled TOM Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 10, 2016, at 2:30 PM in the Commissioners' meeting room at the SLFPA-W office, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:12 PM.