

SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – WEST (SLFPA-W)  
Technical, Operations and Maintenance Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, July 12, 2016

The Technical, Operations and Maintenance (TOM) Committee of the SLFPA-W met on Tuesday, July 12, 2016 with the following members present: Mr. Gaddy, chairman, and Mr. Wilkinson. Mr. Julien arrived at 2:32 PM. Also in attendance were: Mr. Avant, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Monzon, Mr. Noel, Mr. Roark and Mr. Robertson.

Mr. Gaddy called the meeting to order in the meeting room at the office of Jim Wilkinson & Associates, 3520 Holiday Drive, New Orleans, 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 June 14, 2016.

Mr. Monzon and Mr. Noel presented an update on the emergency operations center (EOC) status/issues and the responses to requests for quotes for the hugger retrofit system. The Committee noted that the process was not an emergency endeavor but that we should proceed with investigating the design of the retrofit.

Mr. Noel presented his finding from discussions with the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness regarding FEMA grant opportunities. Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) grants are potentially available for the EOC retrofit, but are unlikely to be awarded for the NOAA weather station. The application process takes place annually in the spring. Staff will continue to investigate those opportunities with GOHSEP and FEMA and update the committee at next month's meeting.

Mr. Noel informed the Committee that a new generator had been purchased and would be installed in late August or early September.

Mr. Roark gave reports on health and injury statistics and safety incidents since the last meeting. The Committee will continue to be updated on safety matters.

Mr. Noel gave an update on the safety program. The Committee will continue to be updated on the progress of the safety program.

Mr. Monzon and Mr. Noel provided an update on the lifts and armoring status. The bid opening for WBV-16.2 is on July 27, 2016.

Mr. Monzon and Mr. Noel 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.

There was no new information regarding the Brooklyn Avenue building and the Committee requested that this item be struck from next month's agenda.

Mr. Monzon advised that Dr. Lorenzo has completed his geophysics testing on the V-line levee. The Committee will be updated again at next month's meeting.

Mr. Noel presented a request for purchase of a Bobcat Forestry Mulcher attachment. Staff will schedule a demonstration of said equipment for Commissioners. The Committee will be updated again at next month's meeting.

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

Mr. Gaddy announced that the next regularly scheduled TOM Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 9, 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 4:05 PM.