

SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – WEST (SLFPA-W)
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, November 16, 2016

The SLFPA-W Board of Commissioners met at approximately 5:34 PM on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 in the Board Room at the SLFPA-W Office, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana

Ms. Maclay called the public meeting to order and directed Mr. Thomas to call the roll.

Commissioners in attendance were: Mr. Gaddy, Mr. Julien, Ms. Maclay, Mr. Merritt, Mr. Thomas and Mr. Wilkinson. Mr. Dauphin was absent.

Ms. Maclay led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Mr. Merritt, seconded by Mr. Julien and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to affirm the amended agenda.

It was moved by Mr. Gaddy, seconded by Mr. Julien and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to accept and approve the minutes of the October 26, 2016 regular board meeting.

There were no public comments.

It was moved by Mr. Merritt, seconded by Mr. Julien and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to give preliminary approval to the issuance of not exceeding Seven Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$7,500,000) of Limited Tax Certificates of Indebtedness of the West Jefferson Levee District; providing certain terms of said certificates; making application to the State Bond Commission for approval of said certificates; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

It was moved by Mr. Merritt, seconded by Mr. Julien and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the incurring of debt and the issuance of Seven Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$7,500,000) of Limited Tax Certificates of Indebtedness of the West Jefferson Levee District; prescribing the form, terms and conditions of said Certificates; designated the date, denomination and place of payment of said Certificates; providing for the payment thereof in principal and interest; providing for the acceptance of an offer for the purchase of said Certificates; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

It was moved by unanimous proclamation to adopt a resolution to sincerely express the gratitude of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West Board of Commissioners upon Mr. Michael Gasper's completion of more than a decade of faithful and industrious hard work, a total of 14 years of loyal service to residents on the West Bank of Jefferson and Orleans Parishes.

Ms. Haggar gave a presentation on Geophysical Testing.

Mr. Noel presented the notice of Safety Policy #11-21.

Ms. Maclay presented the President's report for the month of November.

Mr. Thomas reported on the activities, meetings and issues of the Finance, Administration, Legal and Public Information (FALPI) Committee during the month of November.

Mr. Gaddy reported on the activities, meetings and issues of the Technical, Operations and Maintenance (TOM) Committee during the month of November.

Mr. Merritt reported on the activities, meetings and issues of the Environmental and Research (ER) Committee during the month of November. A hard copy of his report was given to the Commissioners and is available to the public upon request.

Mr. Monzon presented the Regional Director's report for the month of November.

It was moved by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Merritt 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 and its member districts.

It was moved by Mr. Merritt and seconded by Mr. Wilkinson to authorize the President to negotiate a contract for Natural Source Electromagnetic Analysis (geophysics) survey and computing services to produce the final report with Dynamic Measurement, LLC, at an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00, as provided in the line item of SLFPA-W's budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017, 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. Merritt and Mr. Wilkinson
NAYS: Mr. Gaddy, Mr. Thomas and Mr. Julien
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Mr. Dauphin
RECUSED: None

The motion failed to pass.

Item 14e (expressing a consensus of Commissioners approving of a student summer internship for seismic surveys, electromagnetic surveys or other geoscience research during 2017) was moved and then withdrawn by Mr. Merritt, after it was determined it should be left to the discretion of the Board President as it is not a matter requiring board action.

Ms. Maclay announced that the next regular board meeting of the Authority will be held in the SLFPA-W Board Room, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana on Wednesday, December 14, 2016 at 5:30 PM.

The agenda being completed, Ms. Maclay declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:35 PM.

Susan H. Maclay, President

Paul R. Dauphin, Secretary-Treasurer