

SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – WEST (SLFPA-W)
Administration Committee Meeting
Tuesday, May 14, 2024

The Administration Committee of the SLFPA-W met Tuesday, May 14, 2024, with the following members present: Mr. Gauthé, Chairman, Mr. Fogle, and Ms. Foster.

Mr. Gauthé called the meeting to order in the SLFPA-W Office Commissioners' Room, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana at approximately 3:30 P.M.

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé and seconded by Ms. Foster to approve the agenda as presented.

There were no public comments.

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé and seconded by Mr. Fogle to approve the minutes from the previous meeting dated April 16, 2023.

Mr. Noel presented the check register for SLFPA-W, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District.

Mr. Noel provided an update on the current budget. He will continue to update the Committee.

The Committee reviewed and approved the Commissioners' expense reports for payment.

Mr. Cali briefed the Committee on the upcoming 2024 WJLD Millage adoption scheduled for the June 25, 2024 regular board meeting.

Mr. Noel updated the Committee on the status of capital projects.

Mr. Ray Shokohi of Spartan Solar presented information about estimated energy savings with the installation of solar panels on certain SLFPA-W buildings. The Committee requested an analysis of the steps necessary for installation at the West Closure Complex.

Mr. Noel presented the Authorization for Expenditure (AFE) worksheets requesting purchase of the following: Two John Deere 5120M Tractors with extended warranties at a cost not to exceed \$185,000.00.

One Alamo Interstater Flail Mower at a cost not to exceed \$90,000.00.

Two replacement Scag Turf Tiger II zero turn mowers, at a cost not to exceed \$30,000.00.

One Ford F-450 Diesel Crew Cab & Chassis with Service Body Pickup Truck to replace unit 1484 (F450 Pickup), at a cost not to exceed \$90,000.00.

Two Ford F250 Crew Cab Pickup Trucks to replace units 1771 (Ford Explorer) and 1884 (Chevrolet Tahoe), at a cost not to exceed \$130,000.00.

The proposed AFEs will be motions for approval at the May 21, 2024 regular board meeting. Mr. Noel will update the Committee on any changes in tractor cost.

Mr. Cali and Mr. Noel updated the Committee on the status of Harvey Canal Complex.

Mr. Cali briefed the Committee on the results of the RFQ proposals. The proposals will be submitted to the Board for approval at the May 21, 2024 regular board meeting.

Mr. Noel presented the results of bid 308 for Materials and bid 309 for Equipment for the 2024 hurricane season. Beverly, Otwell, and Pontchartrain will be awarded contracts for all materials with an exception for the 10,000 cubic yards embankment material for Otwell. Beverly, Otwell, and United will be awarded contracts for all equipment bid. The bids will be awarded at the May 21, 2024 regular board meeting.

Bid 307, publishing for the Official Journal, for the period from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025, will be awarded to The New Orleans Advocate in the amount of \$4.62 per column inch.

Mr. Bordelon led a discussion on the Algiers Canal draft letter.

The Committee requested a timeline on the revisions to the Permit Policy. Mr. Cali will present an updated draft at the June 11, 2024 Admin meeting.

Mr. Cali updated the Committee on the 2024-2026 professional services contract renewals. The proposed contracts will be submitted to the Board for approval at the May 21, 2024 regular board meeting.

Mr. Cali presented the proposed updates to the following SLFPA-W Employee Handbook policies for the Committee's review: #11-04-Call-in; #11-05-Tardiness; #11-06-Unscheduled Absenteeism. It was moved by Mr. Gauthé and seconded by Mr. Fogle to recommend the proposed policy updates for approval at the May 21, 2024 regular board meeting.

The Committee reviewed and approved the tuition reimbursement requests.

Mr. Cali briefed the Committee on current staffing and open positions.

Mr. Pickering provided an update on legal matters.

Mr. Bordelon provided an update on legal matters and led a discussion on the governmental consultant proposals.

Mr. Cali presented the Director's report of activities for the month of May.

Mr. Gauthé announced the next regularly scheduled Administration Committee meeting is Tuesday, June 11, 2024, at 3:30 P.M. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the SLFPA-W Office, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana.

There being no further business, Mr. Gauthé adjourned the meeting at approximately 5:38 P.M.