

SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – WEST (SLFPA – W)

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

Regular Board Meeting – Meeting is Open to the Public

SLFPA-W – Office – Board Room

7001 River Road, Marrero, LA 70072

Tuesday, October 29, 2024 – 4:00 PM

*(Subject to Change)*

**AGENDA**

1. Call to Order – President
2. Roll Call – Secretary
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Agenda Amendments – Commissioners
5. Affirmation of the Agenda – Commissioners
6. Motion to accept and approve the minutes of the September 17, 2024 Regular Board Meeting
7. Public Comments (Limited to 2 minutes per person)
8. President’s Report – Mr. Burke
9. Committee and Organizational Reports
  - a. Mr. Gauthé – Administration
  - b. Mr. Robinson – Operations & Maintenance
  - c. Mr. Robinson – Mississippi Valley Flood Control Association (MVFCA) report
10. Regional Director’s report
11. Motions: Millage renewal
  - a. Motion by Mr. Burke to order and call a special election to be held in the West Jefferson Levee District, to authorize the renewal of the levy and collection of a special ad valorem tax therein; making application to the Louisiana State Bond Commission and providing for other matters in connection therewith as follows:

Shall the West Jefferson Levee District (the "District") be authorized to renew the levy and collection of a special tax of four and seventy-five hundredths (4.75) mills on all property subject to taxation in said District (the "Tax") (an estimated \$6,551,596 reasonably expected at the time to be collected for an entire year) for a period of ten (10) years beginning with the year 2028, and ending with the year 2037; and shall the revenues or proceeds of the Tax be dedicated and used for the purposes of constructing, raising, armoring and maintaining levees, and for the repair, rehabilitation and replacement of capital projects for purposes

of flood and hurricane protection including the Bayou Segnette Complex, Harvey Sector Gate Complex and the District's share of the West Closure Complex; including payments required in connection with debt obligations incurred for any of the above capital projects?

- b. Motion by Mr. Gauthé to approve bills for payment and accept financial statements as submitted for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District.
- c. Motion by Mr. Gauthé to authorize the President to adopt a contract with Mr. Jesse Noel for Regional Director services; and to further authorize the President to execute any contracts, agreements, and documents to carry out the intent of this action.
- d. Motion by Mr. Robinson to authorize bid advertisements of Project #2024-310: Jazz Walkway Lighting project; and to further authorize the President to execute any contracts, agreements, and documents to carry out the intent of this action.
- e. Motion by Mr. Gauthé to amend The Ehrhardt Group contract to increase the not to exceed value from \$48,000.00 to \$100,000.00 for the fiscal year 2024-2025; and to increase the SLFPA-W Public Information 2024-2025 budget line item from \$48,000.00 to \$200,000.00.
- f. Motion by Mr. Gauthé to adopt the revisions to SLFPAW Policy #11-16 Ethics and Dual Employment, as presented with an effective date of October 29, 2024.
- g. Motion by Mr. Gauthé to adopt the revisions to SLFPAW Policy #11-17 Equal Employment Opportunity, as presented with an effective date of October 29, 2024.
- h. Motion by Mr. Gauthé to adopt the revisions to SLFPAW Policy #11-18 Sexual Harassment, as presented with an effective date of October 29, 2024.
- i. Motion by Mr. Gauthé to adopt the revisions to SLFPAW Policy #11-19 Workplace Harassment & Discrimination, as presented with an effective date of October 29, 2024.
- j. Motion by Mr. Gauthé to adopt the revisions to SLFPAW Policy #11-20 Americans with Disabilities Act, as presented with an effective date of October 29, 2024.
- k. Motion by Mr. Gauthé to adopt SLFPAW Policy #24-43 Public Meeting ADA Accessibility Policy, as presented with an effective date of October 29, 2024.

## 12. Resolutions

- a. Motion by Mr. Gauthé to adopt a resolution authorizing the President to negotiate a contract for legal services for one fiscal year with Owen J. Bordelon, at an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 per year, subject to the adoption of SLFPA-W's budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025, and to further authorize the President to execute any contracts, agreements, and documents to carry out the intent of this action.
- b. Motion by Mr. Gauthé to adopt a resolution authorizing the President to negotiate a contract for legal services for one fiscal year with Connick and Connick, LLC, at an amount

not to exceed \$65,000.00 per year, subject to the adoption of SLFPA-W’s budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025, and to further authorize the President to execute any contracts, agreements, and documents to carry out the intent of this action.

- c. Motion by Mr. Gauthé to adopt a resolution authorizing the President to negotiate a contract for legal services for one fiscal year with Pickering and Cotogno, at an amount not to exceed \$65,000.00 per year, subject to the adoption of SLFPA-W’s budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025, and to further authorize the President to execute any contracts, agreements, and documents to carry out the intent of this action.

13. Set time and place of the next meeting:

Regular Board Meeting  
SLFPA-W – Office – Board Room  
7001 River Road, Marrero, LA 70072  
Tuesday, November 19, 2024 – 4:00 PM

14. Adjournment

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Sandy Seyer  
(Name of Authorized Person)  
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Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority –West  
(Name of Taxing District)  
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(Address)  
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(Telephone Number)

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