## SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – WEST (SLFPA-W) Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, March 25, 2025

The SLFPA-W Board of Commissioners met at approximately 4:00 P.M., Tuesday, March 25, 2025 at the SLFPA-W – Office – Board Room, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana.

Mr. Burke called the public meeting to order and directed Mr. Gauthé to call the roll.

Commissioners in attendance at the SLFPA-W – Office – Board Room: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Burke, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Gauthé, and Mr. Robinson. Mr. Galloway arrived at 4:07 P.M.

Mr. Burke led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Ardoin, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to affirm the agenda as presented.

It was moved by Mr. Burke, seconded by Mr. Gauthé, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to accept and approve the minutes of the February 25, 2025 regular board meeting.

Mr. Burke opened the public hearing at 4:01 P.M. There were no public comments for the public hearing.

It was moved Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Fogle, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to approve and adopt the proposed budget for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026. The roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Burke, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: Mr. Galloway

**RECUSED:** None

Mr. Burke closed the public hearing at 4:03 P.M.

Mr. Burke presented the President's report for the month of March.

Mr. Gauthé reported on the activities, meetings, and issues of the Administration Committee during the month of March.

The minutes of the March 2025 Operations and Maintenance Committee were entered into record.

Mr. Noel presented the Regional Director's report for the month of March. Mr. Noel recognized Mr. Rickie Eslick Jr. for his outstanding performance manning the Bayou Segnette Complex for a tidal closure event.

Mr. Robinson represented SLFPA-West at the Mississippi Valley Flood Control Association (MVFCA) Washington D.C. Spring Legislative meetings. He briefed the Board on his meetings with members of Congress regarding funding for the Harvey Canal and the West Closure Complex; and the responsibility for the Algiers Canal in accordance with the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA).

There were no public comments for the public meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Ms. Foster, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to approve bills for payment for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, West Jefferson Levee District, and Algiers Levee District. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Mr. Fogle, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the President to adopt the revisions to SLFPAW Policy #11-21 Safety as presented with an effective date of March 25, 2025. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Gauthé, seconded by Ms. Foster, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to adopt the 2025-2030 Strategic Plan for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None RECUSED: None

It was moved by Mr. Ardoin, seconded by Mr. Galloway, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the West Closure Complex (WCC) fuel storage tank cleaning by National Aqua Pressure in an amount not to exceed \$71,000.00, and to further authorize

the President to execute any contracts, agreements, and documents to carry out the intent of this action; and to amend the budget accordingly. The vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Ardoin, Mr. Fogle, Ms. Foster, Mr. Galloway, Mr. Gauthé, Mr. Robinson

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None ABSENT: None RECUSED: None

Mr. Burke announced the next board meeting of the Authority is to be held Tuesday, April 29, 2025, at the SLFPA-W – Office – Board Room, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana at 4:00 PM.

The agenda being completed, Mr. Burke declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:25 P.M.