MINUTES OF SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY-EAST COASTAL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JUNE 16, 2022

PRESENT: Eugene J. Joanen, IV, Chair Roy Arrigo, Committee Member Mark L. Morgan, Committee Member

The Coastal Committee of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (FPA or Authority) met on June 16, 2022, in the New Orleans Lakefront Airport Terminal Building, Second Floor Conference Room, 6001 Stars and Stripes Boulevard, New Orleans, LA. Mr. Joanen called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Opening Comments: None.

Adoption of Agenda: The Committee adopted the agenda as presented.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u>: The Committee approved the minutes of the Coastal Committee meeting held on April 20, 2022.

Public Comments: None

New Business:

A Recap of Coastal Conference held on May 19, 2022.

Mr. Joanen commented on the success of the May 19th Coastal Conference and advised that individual videos of the presentations provided at the Conference have been uploaded to the FPA website and can be viewed individually or in total. He thanked everyone who helped to make the Coastal Conference a success.

B. Discussion of description for an Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (ID-IQ) <u>contract for services to support the FPA's Coastal and Technical efforts.</u>

Mr. Joanen explained that the concept for assistance with coastal and technical efforts has shifted from developing two FPA positions to putting in place a Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (ID-IQ) contract for said services. The draft description for an ID-IQ contract had been provided to Chris Humphreys, Director of Engineering, for review and reformatting. Mr. Humphreys explained that a large number of responses to several Requests for Qualifications (RFQ) that had been advertised for services in other engineering disciplines are anticipated to be received soon and that the RFQ for coastal and technical services would be advertised as the Board desires. Mr. Joanen stated that he appreciated Mr. Humphreys' efforts.

C. Discussion of the system-wide needs report.

Mr. Joanen advised that he was fleshing out several items in the system-wide needs report and would then provide the draft report to Mr. Humphreys for review. He noted that there was room for improvement on sources of funding in the funding section of the report. He explained that his intent was to hand the report off to the Board and Engineering Department as a template for moving forward and that the report could be periodically updated. The report's primary purpose is to inform individuals outside of the organization about the FPA's needs.

D. Invitation for FPA Commissioners to join the Coastal and Technical <u>Committee.</u>

Mr. Joanen explained that he would be stepping down from the Board on July 1st. He offered to provide assistance to the Committee so that it could stay on mission.

Mr. Arrigo reported on the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA) meeting held on June 15th. The CPRA briefly reviewed several projects which did not impact the FPA and for the remainder of the meeting discussed hurricane preparedness. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers advised the CPRA that the Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System (HSDRRS) is in good condition and ready for the hurricane season and that everything is operable with the exception of one redundant pump at one of the Permanent Canal Closures and Pumps (PCCP) pump stations.

Kelli Chandler, Regional Director, advised that in preparation for hurricane season, all of the inspections have been completed, all of the floodgates have been exercised, and table top exercises have been conducted. The PCCP pumps are exercised once every month. Mr. Humphreys advised that should a storm enter the gulf the contractor repairing the redundant pump would be required to demobilize. Mr. Arrigo pointed out that the PCCP with the pump that is out is still able to match the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans' pumping capacity.

Mr. Joanen commented that it appeared that funding would be received for flood protection for the New Orleans Lakefront Airport and that details should be received in the near future. Mr. Morgan pointed out that the FPA has committed to provide a cost share match for the project.

There was no further business; therefore, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.