MINUTES OF THE SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY-EAST BOARD MEETING THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2025

The regular monthly Board Meeting of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (Authority or FPA) was held on September 18, 2025, in the Franklin Avenue Administrative Complex, Meeting room 201, 6920 Franklin Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana, after due legal notice of the meeting was sent to each Board member and the news media and posted.

Mr. Vicari called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. and led the pledge of allegiance. Mr. Marsiglia called the roll and a quorum was present:

PRESENT:

Pete G. Vicari, President Michael Schnell, Vice-President Gregory Marsiglia, Secretary K. Randall Noel, Treasurer Deborah M. Settoon Roy M. Carubba David Martin

ABSENT:

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

A motion was offered by Mr. Carubba to adopt the agenda, seconded by Mr. Marsiglia and was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-18-25-01 – Approval of the minutes of the Board meeting held on August 21, 2025

On the motion of Mr. Carubba,

Seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection-Authority-East approves the Minutes of the Board meeting held on August 21, 2025.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows: YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schnell, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Noel, Ms. Settoon, Mr. Carubba, Mr. Martin.

NAYS: None ABSENT: NONE

OPENING COMMENTS BY PRESIDENT AND COMMISSIONERS

Mr. Vicari began the meeting by asking for a moment of silence in remembrance of former commissioner, Bill Settoon.

Mr. Vicari asked board members if they had any opening comments:

Mr. Carubba gave comments pertaining to a recent news article which highlighted events occurring at the FPA.

Ms. Settoon made comments memorializing former Commissioner Bill Settoon. She also commented that the Board should focus on correcting unauthorized changes. She voiced concern that major compensation was given without proper board authority and suggested that the Board use the committees to vet policy changes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Ms. Blair DuQuesnay Chair of Citizens for 1 Greater New Orleans voiced her concerns about the following: By-laws changes; lack of a Regional Director for several months; failure to approve the emergency management plan before flood season; the changing and confusing org chart; Police Chief pay raise which was not approved by the board; resignation of 4 board members who resigned in protest; numerous terminations, resignations and departure of key employees; governors refusal to re-appoint commissioner; 4 million dollar increase in police budget; former President who says that he reports to a large donor of the governor who has no role in the governance of this agency; She asked that the Board please restore the focus to flood maintenance and protection; act independently in adherence to their fiduciary duty to this organization; please conduct a proper search for a Regional Director; listen to reports from Directors; please maintain governance standards with checks and balances; revisit all the raises to ensure that they are properly approved and to please provide transparency about the organizational chart.

Mr. Roy Arrigo, former Board commissioner, came to voice his concerns about the proposed Communications policy; the board appearing to by-pass committees; proposed termination of the Mercury contract and questionable pay raises of certain employees. He asked that the communications policy be voted down and that the Mercury contract not be terminated because he feels it could jeopardize future flood protection initiatives.

PRESENTATIONS:

Jeff Williams, Interim Regional Director, presented Stacy Gilmore with a certificate of commendation for recognition of extraordinary service.

Denise Williams, Finance Director, awarded Melissa Bailey a certificate of commendation for successfully obtaining a grant to cover security camera expenses.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was offered by Mr. Noel, seconded by Mr. Carubba and unanimously adopted, to convene in Executive Session to discuss a motion to accept Executive Counsels recommendation in litigation entitled Marquette transportation vs. the United States of America. The Board convened in Executive Session at 10:36 a.m.

Mr. Noel offered a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Marsiglia and unanimously adopted, to reconvene in Regular Session. The Board reconvened in regular session and returned to the regular order of business. (10:54 a.m.)

Mr. Vicari advised that no action was taken in Executive Session.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Executive Committee: Mr. Vicari reported that due to a lack of quorum, they were unable to meet.

<u>Finance Committee:</u> Mr. Noel reported that the Budget to actuals for the 2025 budget was discussed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS:

Mr. Williams reported as follows:

CURRENT CONDITIONS:

- Mississippi River currently at 3.20 feet, not in flood state; forecast to remain around 3.0 feet for the remainder of the month.
- Tropical storm Gabrielle currently not a threat and there are no additional storm threats to the area at this time;
- August 27th train derailment near France & Almonaster road; employee injured avoiding impact, outpatient care was provided;
- No threats to overall system integrity; Routine inspections, maintenance and upgrades remain on schedule.

: READINESS REPORT:

- Quarterly inspections are 95 percent complete; all 17 PCCP pumps available; no threats to system integrity;
- Vacancies in Engineering & PCCPs; overtime is increasing;

- Funding available to sustain operations and projects; Long term investments secured; revenue outlook positive; no financial risks identified that would limit near-term mission execution:
- Positive coverage around Katrina 20 events and stakeholder tours; recent press scrutiny regarding police budget, vehicle purchases, and leadership decisions has raised questions from legislators and watchdog groups; overall public trust stable but under closer observation.

ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS:

- System update; Stable system, no major issues;
- 33 permits issued in July; 2 in August
- Q3 inspections 95%+ completed;
- Annual inspections with USACE: PCCPs all 3 sites completed; complex structures all 8 sites completed;
- Monticello Levee Risk Assessment Identified as high risk to cut; provides no flood protection; staff preparing decision brief for the board with multiple courses of action;
- Projects: EJ Lakefront Foreshore funding finalized, easement pending;
- Lakeshore/Franklin safety Project bids opened Sept. 10; board approval Sept 18;
- West Return Wall Splash Pad Repair bids open October 7th;
- LPV Bridge Rehab design complete;
- Orpheum Slope Paving bids open October 8th;
- Barrier Research Facility on hold pending AG opinion;
- Civil/Survey IDIQ contracts finalizing

PUBLIC INFORMATION:

- Katrina 20 Events CNN, NBC & Weather Channel; Legislative Tour
- Outreach & Governmental Affairs 20 Years of Progress Tour (Aug 26); LA delegation visited EOC, Surge Barrier, 17th PCCP; Aug 27 surge Barrier tour with USACE leaders; Sept 10 US Northern command DCO visit; Sept 12 Louisiana Dept. of Insurance tour with CPRA & IBHS

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF INTERIM REGIONAL DIRECTOR, L. JEFF. WILLIAMS FOR THE POSITION OF REGIONAL DIRECTOR

On the motion of Mr. Carubba and seconded by Mr. Marsiglia, the Board opened discussion on the appointment of Mr. Williams as Regional Director. After discussion, the Board voted to defer the item until the October 16th board meeting. On the motion of Mr. Noel, seconded by Ms. Settoon, the vote to defer was as follows, Mr. Noel, Mr. Marsiglia, Ms. Settoon, Mr. Martin, Mr. Schnell, yea, Mr. Vicari, and Mr. Carubba, nay. In the interim, HR Director Kenyetta Sewell was instructed to re-advertise the position for five days.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-18-25-02 – A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY-EAST AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF FISHER & PHILLIPS LLP CONTRACT TO PROVIDE LEGAL COUNSEL AND REPRESENTATION FOR LOUISIAN CIVIL SERVICE APPEALS AND OTHER LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT LITIGATION

On the motion of Mr. Marsiglia, seconded by Mr. Noel, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, certain employees filed appeals with Louisiana Civil Service in connection with alleged actions taken by the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East ("FPA"); and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned appeals were submitted to the FPA's Public Officials/Employment Practices Liability insurer for assignment of legal representation for said appeals to insurer's approved labor and employment law firm Fisher & Phillips LLP; and

WHEREAS, Fisher & Phillips began rendering legal services on each of the appeals based on previous assignments by the insurer; and

WHEREAS, new management for the insurer subsequently and untimely denied coverage and payment of legal services for the aforementioned appeals, which are currently pending with Civil Service; and

WHEREAS, the FPA is in the process of appealing the insurer's denial of coverage for the aforementioned appeals; and

WHEREAS, defense of these appeals requires specific legal expertise in the subject matter involved and as such, a real necessity exists to retain outside counsel for legal representation in these cases and any future labor and employment litigation, as needed; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution 09-19-24-05, Fisher & Phillips, LLP was retained for a period commencing on July 1, 2024 and ending on June 30, 2025, with the total of all sums payable not to exceed \$100,000.00 per employee for each Civil Service appeal filed and/or \$100,000.00 per employee suit filed in any Louisiana or Federal Court with jurisdiction over said employee claims; and

WHEREAS, there is a real necessity to extend the contract with Fisher & Phillips LLP for a six-month period, commencing July 1, 2025 and ending on January 30, 2026 to resolve civil service matters; and

WHEREAS, the scope of this legal representation does not involve federal claims; and

WHEREAS, this resolution shall take effect immediately; and

WHEREAS, in the alternative, if the Louisiana Attorney General denies the approval of payment of the insurer's contract rates to Fisher & Phillips, said firm shall be compensated pursuant to the Louisiana Attorney General's maximum Hourly Fee Schedule of February 16, 2024, which allows:

Rate	Description
\$350.00 per hour	For attorneys having experience of 10 or more in the practice of law
\$275.00 per hour	For attorneys having experience of 5-10 years in the practice of law
\$225.00 per hour	For attorneys having experience of 3-5 years in the practice of law
\$175.00 per hour	For attorneys having experience of less than 3 years in the practice of law
\$80.00 per hour	For Paralegal Services

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East, pursuant to La R.S. 42:262, does hereby authorize the extension of the retention of Fisher & Phillips LLP as counsel to represent the FPA on certain Civil Service Appeals for a six-month period commencing on July 1, 2025 and ending on January 1, 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners ratifies the legal services provided to-date by Fisher & Phillips, LLP on the Civil Service Appeals described by this resolution and denied by the insurer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution and the proposed contract described herein be submitted to the Attorney General for the State of Louisiana for approval.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schnell, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Noel, Ms. Settoon, Mr. Carubba,

Mr. Martin

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

MOTION TO APPROVE AMENDMENTS TO FPA-E BOARD BY-LAWS:

On the motion of Mr. Carubba and seconded by Mr. Vicari, the resolution was presented for discussion. Mr. Vicari asked the Executive Counsel, Kirk Ordoyne to describe the process used to amend the by-laws. After discussion and comments, Mr. Noel presented a motion which was seconded by Mr. Carubba, authorizing the Executive Committee to meet and review the by-laws and accepting and allowing input from all commissioners. After all edits and review are finished, the final by-law changes will be presented to the full board for approval. The vote was as follows, Mr. Vicari, Mr. Noel, Mr. Carubba, Mr. Schnell, Mr. Marsiglia and Mr. Martin voted yea. Ms. Settoon abstained.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-18-25-03 – APPROVAL OF BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATION WITH AGENCY STAFF POLICY:

On the motion of Mr. Carubba, seconded by Mr. Vicari, a motion for the approval of Board member communication with agency staff policy was offered:

Mr. Vicari opened discussion on the matter. Following discussion and deliberation of recommended language and unanimous consent, the Board agreed to amend the language, and the vote was as follows: Yea, Mr. Vicari, Mr. Carubba, Mr. Schnell, Mr. Marsiglia and Mr. Martin; Nay, Mr. Noel and Ms. Settoon.

- When the request for information from a Commissioner exist in the form requested, the Regional Director shall use his best efforts to respond by the second business day after receiving the request;
- For information requested by Commissioners that must be compiled from existing records that the FPA has, the Regional Director must use his best efforts to respond within a week:
- For information that must be created or for which outside information must be obtained by the FPA, there will be no response deadline, however, the Regional Director will endeavor to keep the requesting Board member apprised of the progress of the response and he will do so initially, within a week.

On the motion of Mr. Carubba, seconded by Mr. Vicari, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East "(FPA") is governed by a Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to establish standards for communications between individual members of the "FPA" Board of Commissioners and agency staff; and

WHEREAS, this policy will help to support operational integrity, maintain clear lines of authority and ensure accountability in agency governance; and

WHEREAS, this policy will further ensure transparency, operational efficiency and alignment with ethical and legal standards; and

WHEREAS, this policy promotes a structured and consistent approach to Board oversight that preserves the integrity of agency operations;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East approves the Board Member Communication with Agency Staff Policy dated, August 12, 2025.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Mr. Vicari, Mr. Carubba, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Schnell, Mr. Martin voted yea and Ms. Settoon and Mr. Noel voted nay.

After the vote was rendered, Commissioner Settoon asked to open debate. She stated she misunderstood and thought she was voting on the amended language and not the original motion. President Vicari advised that it would not be appropriate to open discussion on a settled matter and proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

On the motion of Mr. Carubba,

Seconded by Mr. Martin, the following resolution was offered:

RESOLUTION NO. 09-18-25-04 - ADOPTION OF UPDATED/REVISED PURCHASING POLICY

On the motion of Mr. Carubba, seconded by Mr. Martin the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 02-16-23-02, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (FPA) approved an updated/revised Purchasing Policy dated February 16, 2023, to govern the FPA and levee districts under its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the FPA staff reviewed the aforementioned policy and updated and revised said policy to reflect current requirements and needs; and

WHEREAS, the updated/revised Purchasing Policy was reviewed by the Finance Committee on September 18, 2025 and recommended for approval by the Board;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East adopts the updated and revised Purchasing Policy dated September 18, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any and all resolutions or policies adopted prior to this resolution and in conflict with the approved Purchasing Policy dated September 18, 2025, are null and void.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schnell, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Carubba, Mr. Martin

NAYS: Mr. Noel, Ms. Settoon

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN:

MOTION TO APPROVE CANCELLATION OF MERCURY PUBLIC AFFAIRS, LLC

On the motion of Mr. Carubba and seconded by Ms. Settoon, the motion to approve the cancellation of Mercury Public Affairs, LLC was deferred until the October meeting. The vote to

defer was as follows: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Carubba, Ms. Settoon, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Schnell, Mr. Noel and Mr. Martin, all yeas.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-18-25-05: A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT EXECUTIVE COUNSEL'S SETTLEMENT RECOMMENDATION IN THE LITIGATIN CAPTIONED, "MARQUETTE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY GULF-INLAND, LLC V. THE UNITED STAES OF AMERICA." USDC OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF LA, NO. 2:23-CV-02439-WBV-JVM AND TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF ALL SETTLEMENT, AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS, NECESSARY TOPERFECT THE SETTLEMENT OF THIS MATTER.

On the motion of Mr. Marsiglia, seconded by Mr. Carubba, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority - East is a named third-party defendant in the litigation captioned "Marquette Transportation Company Gulf-Inland, LLC v. the United States of America," United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana, No. 2:23-CV-02439-WBV-JVM; and

WHEREAS, the legal advice regarding a settlement recommendation provided by legal counsel in Executive Session was given due consideration by the Board.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East approves and agrees to proceed with the settlement of the litigation captioned, "Marquette Transportation Company Gulf-Inland, LLC v. the United States of America," United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana, No. 2:23-CV-02439-WBV-JVM; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the FPA Interim Regional Director, or in his absence the Director of Engineering, is hereby authorized to execute all settlement, and any other documents, necessary to perfect the settlement of the aforementioned matter.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Schnell, Mr. Noel, Ms. Settoon, Mr. Carubba,

Mr. Martin

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

Engineering and Operations:

RESOLUTION NO. 09-18-25-06 – SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION <u>AUTHORITY-EAST CAPITAL OUTLAY PROGRAM FUNDING REQUEST</u>

On the motion of Mr. Noel, seconded by Mr. Carubba, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana Capital Outlay Program (COP) funding applications are required to be submitted by November 1, 2025, with a Resolution requesting sponsor funding; and

WHEREAS, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (FPA) has projects that require funding from the COP in order to initiate planning, design, land acquisition and construction phases of said projects.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the FPA by this Resolution formally requests the State of Louisiana COP to fund the following FPA projects for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 in the amounts shown:

LAKEFRONT AIRPORT FLOOD PROTECTION PLANNING, DESIGN AND PERMIT ANALYSIS - \$30,000,000.

INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR STORM SURGE BARRIER RESEARCH, PUBLIC EDUCATION AND SATELLITE MAINTENANCE FACILITY - \$15,000,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the FPA does hereby certify, in accordance with the State Capital Outlay Act, the following:

- 1. There is no bond funding, other than State general obligation bond funding, sufficient to fund the above Capital Outlay request.
- 2. All local options for funding for this Capital Outlay request through taxation, special assessments, loans, bonds, or other resources have been considered and rejected as not being feasible or readily acceptable at this time.
- 3. There is no revenue source for these non-recurring project appropriations.
- 4. No surplus and/or unobligated funds are available.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the FPA is committed to providing a local project match to the extent it is economically able for the amounts required/ recommended and necessary by the State.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the FPA Interim Regional Director or Director of Engineering be authorized to sign any and all documents necessary to accomplish the above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the FPA Interim Regional Director or Director of Engineering is hereby authorized and designated to act on behalf of the FPA in all matters pertaining to the aforementioned Projects for which Capital Outlay funds are being requested including requests for State disbursements.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schnell, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Noel, Ms. Settoon, Mr. Carubba,

Mr. Martin

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION NO. 09-18-25-07 – EAST JEFFERSON LEVEE DISTRICT CAPITAL OUTLAY PROGRAM FUNDING REQUEST

On the motion of Mr. Noel, seconded by Mr. Carubba, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana Capital Outlay Program (COP) funding applications are required to be submitted by November 1, 2025, with a Resolution requesting sponsor funding; and

WHEREAS, the East Jefferson Levee District (EJLD) has projects that require funding from the COP in order to initiate planning, design, land acquisition and construction phases of said projects.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (FPA) on behalf of the EJLD by this Resolution formally requests the State of Louisiana COP to fund the following EJLD project for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 in the amount shown:

WEST RETURN WALL FLOODSIDE RIP RAP LIFT - \$10,375,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the EJLD does hereby certify, in accordance with the State Capital Outlay Act, the following:

- 1. There is no bond funding, other than State general obligation bond funding, sufficient to fund the above Capital Outlay request.
- 2. All local options for funding for this Capital Outlay request through taxation, special assessments, loans, bonds, or other resources have been considered and rejected as not being feasible or readily acceptable at this time.
- 3. There is no revenue source for these non-recurring project appropriations.
- 4. No surplus and/or unobligated funds are available.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the EJLD is committed to providing a local project match to the extent it is economically able for the amounts required/ recommended and necessary by the State.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (FPA) Regional Director or Director of Engineering be authorized to sign any and all documents necessary to accomplish the above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the FPA Regional Director or Director of Engineering is hereby authorized and designated to act on behalf of EJLD in all matters pertaining to the aforementioned Project for which Capital Outlay funds are being requested including requests for State disbursements.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schnell, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Noel, Ms. Settoon, Mr. Carubba,

Martin

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION NO. 09-18-25-08 – LAKE BORGNE BASIN LEVEE DISTRICT CAPITAL OUTLAY PROGRAM FUNDING REQUEST

On the motion of Mr. Schnell, seconded by Mr. Noel, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana Capital Outlay Program (COP) funding applications are required to be submitted by November 1, 2025, with a Resolution requesting sponsor funding; and

WHEREAS, the Lake Borgne Basin Levee District (LBBLD) has projects that require funding from the COP in order to initiate planning, design, land acquisition and construction phases of said projects.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the LBBLD by this Resolution formally requests the State of Louisiana COP to fund the following LBBLD project for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 in the amount shown:

LAKE BORGNE BASIN LEVEE DISTRICT SAFE HOUSE - \$4,200,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the LBBLD does hereby certify, in accordance with the State Capital Outlay Act, the following:

- 1. There is no bond funding, other than State general obligation bond funding, sufficient to fund the above Capital Outlay request.
- 2. All local options for funding for this Capital Outlay request through taxation, special assessments, loans, bonds, or other resources have been considered and rejected as not being feasible or readily acceptable at this time.
- 3. There is no revenue source for these non-recurring project appropriations.
- 4. No surplus and/or unobligated funds are available.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the LBBLD is committed to providing a local project match to the extent it is economically able for the amounts required/ recommended and necessary by the State.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (FPA) Interim Regional Director or Director of Engineering be authorized to sign any and all documents necessary to accomplish the above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the FPA Interim Regional Director or Director of Engineering is hereby authorized and designated to act on behalf of the LBBLD in all matters pertaining to the aforementioned Project for which Capital Outlay funds are being requested including requests for State disbursements.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schnell, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Noel, Ms. Settoon, Mr. Carubba

Mr. Martin

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

<u>RESOLUTION NO. 09-18-25-09 – LAKESHORE DRIVE IMPROVEMENTS (Elysian Fields Avenue to Franklin Avenue)</u>

On the motion of Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Carubba, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the Lakeshore Drive Improvements (Project No. 02440186) was advertised and four bids were opened and read at the Orleans Levee District on September 10, 2025, as follows:

Bidding Contractors	Total Bid Price
LA Contracting Enterprise, LLC	\$173, 552.46
TEH Enterprise, LLC	\$182,630.00
21 Construction, LLC	\$212,809.00
Cycle Construction	\$236,653.00

WHEREAS, the lowest responsive and responsible bid was submitted by LA Contracting Enterprise, LLC, in the amount of \$173,552.46; and

WHEREAS, the Engineering Estimate for the base bid project is \$171,859.76; and **WHEREAS**, funding for the project is included in Budget Line Item 36.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority–East (FPA) authorizes the award of a contract in the amount of \$173,552.46 to LA Contracting Enterprise, LLC, for the Lakeshore Drive Improvements (Elysian Fields Avenue to Franklin Avenue) Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the FPA Interim Regional Director, or in his absence, the Director of Engineering, is hereby authorized to execute the above mentioned contract with LA Contracting Enterprise, LLC, and any and all other documents necessary to accomplish the above.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schnell, Mr. Marsiglia, Mr. Noel, Ms. Settoon, Mr. Carubba

Mr. Martin

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

ACTION ITEM LIST

Ryan Foster gave an update on the execution of a CEA with St. Bernard concerning housing LBBLD personnel in the event there is a major storm event.

Mr. Martin suggested an action item - proposed that we take a look at our risk assessments at all three PCCP's.

Kirk Ordoyne advised the board that there is a meeting with a real estate consultant in anticipation of auctioning off the Plauche Court property.

The next regular monthly Board meeting will be held on October 16, 2025, at the Franklin Avenue Administration Complex, Meeting room 201, 6920 Franklin Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana.

There was no further business; therefore, the meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.