

**MINUTES OF THE
SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY-EAST
BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2026**

A Public Hearing was held on Thursday, September 17, 2026 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 10:00 a.m. and led the pledge of allegiance. Mr. Martin called the roll and a quorum was present.

PRESENT:

Peter G. Vicari, President
Ronald Schumann, Jr., P.E.- Vice-President
David Martin, P.E. - Treasurer
Kerwyn King, P.E. Commissioner
Elton J. Meyers, Commissioner
Kenneth Meyn, P.E. Commissioner
John Grieshaber, P.E. Commissioner

ABSENT: Gregory Marsiglia

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

A motion was offered by Mr. Schumann and seconded by Mr. Meyers to adopt the agenda and the motion was unanimously adopted.

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-17-26-01 - APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE
BOARD MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 20, 2026**

On the motion of Mr. Schumann,
Seconded by Mr. Meyers, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East approves the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on August 20, 2026.

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

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schumann, Mr. Martin, Mr. King, Mr. Meyers, Mr. Meyn, Mr. Grieshaber

NAYS: None
ABSENT: Mr. Marsiglia

PUBLIC COMMENTS : None

PRESENTATIONS:

Joe Picone, III
Lenny Kopowski

REPORT BY REGIONAL DIRECTOR - Presented by Ryan Foster

COMMITTEE REPORT: None

New Business:
Administrative:

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-17-26-02 - TO AMEND AND ACCEPT THE OFFER TO
PURCHASE THE FORMER EAST JEFFERSON LEVEE DISTRICT
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING LOCATED AT 203 PLAUCHE COURT IN
JEFFERSON, LA.**

On the motion of Mr. Martin,

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

WHEREAS, the building and land bearing municipal address 203 Plauche Court, Jefferson, LA, was listed for sale by public auction on January 21, 2026, in accordance with the appropriate statutes; and

WHEREAS, because there were no acceptable bids to purchase the property, the SLFPA-E Board of Directors subsequently listed it with a broker and advertised a call for offers to purchase; and

WHEREAS, on August 20, 2026, via board resolution 08-20-26-03, the Board of Commissioners of the FPA-East accepted Mr. David Schwab's offer to purchase 203 Plauche Court for the amount of Three Hundred and Ninety Dollars (\$390,000.00); and

WHEREAS, property conditions discovered during the inspection period resulted in the Buyer and Seller entering into a mutually agreed upon reduced amount; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has agreed to accept the amended offer of Three Hundred and Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$375,000.00) under the terms and conditions outlined in the attached purchase agreement.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the SLFPA-E Board of Commissioners hereby approves and accepts the amended offer of Three Hundred and Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$375,000.00) submitted by Mr. David Schwab to purchase the property located at 203 Plauche Court, Jefferson, LA.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the SLFPA-E Regional Director is hereby authorized to execute 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. Schumann, Mr. Martin, Mr. King, Mr. Meyers, Mr. Grieshaber,
Mr. Meyn
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Mr. Marsiglia

The Motion passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-17-26-03 - EXECUTION OF THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT AMONG THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY, THE STATE OF LOUISIANA, THE PONTCHARTRAIN LEVEE DISTRICT AND FPA-EAST ESTABLISHING THE ALLOCATION OF THE NON-FEDERAL COST SHARE FOR THE LPV 200 STUDY

On the motion of Mr. Martin,

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

WHEREAS, Water Resources development Act of 2022 (P.L. 117-263, Section 8203, Expedited Modifications of Existing Feasibility Studies authorizes the Secretary to investigate increasing the scope of the project to provide protection against a 200-year storm event; and

WHEREAS, Section 105(a) of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 1986, as amended (33 U.S.C. 2215(a)), specifies the cost-sharing requirements; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 02-22-24-07, the FPA Board of Commissioners authorized the issuance of a Letter of Intent relative to fund 50 percent of the cost for the feasibility study to upgrade the Lake Pontchartrain & Vicinity portion of the Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction system to 200-year protection; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost for said study is \$3 million; and

WHEREAS the estimated portion of the 50 percent cost share for Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East for said study is \$1,320,000.00 million; and

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, the SLFPA-E will contribute \$1,320,000.00 million towards the aforementioned project with payment made to the USACE upon execution of said agreement and corresponding MOU by all parties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Regional Director, or in his absence, the Director of Engineering, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to accomplish the above.

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

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schumann, Mr. Martin, Mr. King, Mr. Meyers, Mr. Grieshaber,
Mr. Meyn
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Mr. Marsiglia

The motion passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-17-26-04- AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT AMONG THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY, THE STATE OF LOUISIANA, THE PONTCHARTRAIN LEVEE DISTRICT AND FPA-EAST ESTABLISHING THE ALLOCATION OF THE NON-FEDERAL COST SHARE FOR THE LPV 200 STUDY

On the motion of Mr. Martin,

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

WHEREAS, Water Resources development Act of 2022 (P.L. 117-263, Section 8203, Expedited Modifications of Existing Feasibility Studies authorizes the Secretary to investigate increasing the scope of the project to provide protection against a 200-year storm event; and

WHEREAS, Section 105(a) of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 1986, as amended (33 U.S.C. 2215(a)), specifies the cost-sharing requirements; and

WHEREAS, Art VII, Sec 14(C) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 provides that, for a public purpose, the State and its political subdivisions or political corporations may engage in cooperative endeavors with each other; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 02-22-24-07, the FPA Board of Commissioners authorized the issuance of a Letter of Intent relative to fund 50 percent of the cost for the feasibility study to upgrade the Lake Pontchartrain & Vicinity portion of the Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction system to 200-year protection; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost for said study is \$3 million; and

WHEREAS the estimated portion of the 50 percent cost share for Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection for said study is \$1,320,000.00 million; and

WHEREAS the Agreement between the Department of the Army, State of Louisiana, Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (SLFPA-E) and Pontchartrain Levee District (PLD) will be executed for the 200-Year Risk Reduction Study; and

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana, through the Coastal Protection and Restoration (CPRA), will serve as the non-federal sponsor to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) with the SLFPA-E and PLD for the 200-Year Risk Reduction Study; and

WHEREAS, the MOA will set forth the terms and conditions of the non-federal sponsor cost share to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the cost share split between SLFPA-E and PLD for the 200-Year Risk Reduction Study; and

WHEREAS, the SLFPA-E will contribute \$1,320,000.00 towards the aforementioned project with payment made to the USACE within 30 days of the signing of the MOA by all parties.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East Board of Commissioners authorizes the Regional Director to negotiate and enter into a Memorandum of Agreement between CPRA, the Pontchartrain Levee District (PLD), and the FPA-East establishing the allocation of the non-federal cost share for the LPV 200 Study.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Regional Director, or in his absence, the Director of Engineering, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to accomplish the above

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

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schumann, Mr. Martin, Mr. King, Mr. Meyers, Mr. Grieshaber,
Mr. Meyn

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. Marsiglia

The Motion passed.

Engineering and Operations:

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-17-26-04 - MITIGATION OF OUTFALL CANAL EROSION
– LONDON AVENUE PHASE 1 GENTILLY BOULEVARD TO MIRABEAU
AVENUE PROJECT**

On the motion of Mr. Schumann,

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

WHEREAS, the London Avenue Phase 1 Gentilly Boulevard to Mirabeau Avenue Mitigation Project was recently advertised, bids were opened and a construction contract was awarded; and

WHEREAS, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (FPA) entered into an Indefinite Delivery-Indefinite Quantity (ID-IQ) Contract with Evans-Graves Engineers, Inc., to provide Civil Engineering Services on an as needed basis; and

WHEREAS, Evans-Graves Engineers, Inc., submitted a proposal dated August 13, 2026, in the total amount of \$169,200.00 to provide Resident Inspection Services for the aforementioned project; and

WHEREAS, funding for said services is in Budget Line item: FY 27 17.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East approves the issuance of a Task Order to Evans-Graves Engineers, Inc. in the amount of \$169,200.00 for performing resident inspection services for the Mitigation of Outfall Canal Erosion – London Avenue Phase 1 Gentilly Boulevard to Mirabeau Avenue Project.

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, that the FPA Regional Director, or in his absence the Director of Engineering, is hereby authorized to sign the aforementioned Task Order and any and all documents necessary to carry out the above.

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

YEAS: Mr. Vicari, Mr. Schumann, Mr. Martin, Mr. King, Mr. Meyers, Mr. Grieshaber, Mr. Meyn

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. Marsiglia

The Motion passed.

COMMENTS BY PRESIDENT AND COMMISSIONERS:

Mr. Martin gave brief comment on remaining vigilant during Hurricane season.

Mr. Vicari gave brief update on the Internal Auditor/Compliance position.

Mr. Vicari requested HR Director Shannon Fazande give comments on recent job fair.

Mr. Vicari announced that the next board meeting will be held on Thursday, October 15, 2026.

There was no further business, therefore the meeting was adjourned.