

MINUTES OF  
SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY-EAST  
LEGAL COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON JANUARY 10, 2008

PRESENT: Abril Sutherland, Chairman  
George Losonsky, Committee Member  
Thomas L. Jackson, Committee Member

ABSENT: Stradford Goins, Committee Member

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The Legal Committee met on January 10, 2008, in the Second Floor Hall of the Lake Vista Community Center, 6500 Spanish Fort Blvd., New Orleans, LA. Chairman Sutherland called the meeting to order at 10:20 a.m.

On motion of Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Losonsky, the agenda was adopted.

**Executive Session:**

- A. Board of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East, on behalf of the Orleans Levee District v. Louisiana Department of Natural Resources," 19<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court for the Parish of East Baton Rouge, Docket No. 562121, Division D.
- B. Discussion of settlement of potential litigation Noland Lambert Permit v. O.L.D.

Mr. Losonsky offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously adopted, for the Committee to meet in Executive Session to discuss the items listed on the agenda. The Committee convened in Executive Session at 10:25 a.m. and reconvened in regular session at 11:38 a.m.

**New Business:**

**A. Discussion of Execution of Contract for Professional Legal Services.**

Procedures for submittal of attorneys invoices were discussed. Attorneys for the Authority and the levee districts will submit invoices directly to the SLFPAE Administrative Assistant, Ms. Pat Johnson, who will process the invoices as follows:

- Invoice information will be input into a spreadsheet;
- Invoices will be submitted to Mr. Robert Lacour, SLFPAE Interim General Counsel, for approval;
- Spreadsheet will be submitted to the Committee for approval;
- After approval invoices will be submitted the appropriate levee district executive director for payment.

Mr. Lacour reported the contracts for the approved attorneys are almost ready to be sent out.

**B. Approval of Legal Invoices (Authority – East, OLD, EJLD and LBBLD).**

A copy of the legal invoice spreadsheet was distributed. The Committee unanimously adopted a motion, offered by Mr. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Losonsky, to approve the legal invoices listed on the spreadsheet.

**C. Settlement of East Jefferson Levee District v. Salvador P. Ferrera, First Parish Court No. 138167”B”.**

Mr. Lacour asked whether he should sign the Release in the settlement of the Ferrera litigation in the amount of \$3,125. The Committee concurred that Mr. Lacour should sign the Release.

Mr. Lacour reported the litigation against the East Jefferson Levee District entitled Powell vs. the Treasure Chest, et al, has been dismissed

**Public Comments:**

There were no public comments.

The Committee will meet on the second Thursday of the month at 10:00 a.m. at the Lake Vista Community Center Second Floor Hall. The Committee briefly discussed the deadline for submittal of Board agenda items and the timeline for publishing the Board agenda.

There was no further discussion, therefore, the meeting was adjourned at 11:53 a.m.