

**MINUTES OF THE
SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY–EAST
PUBLIC HEARING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2015**

A public hearing of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East was held for the Orleans Levee District in the Orleans Levee District Franklin Avenue Administrative Complex, Meeting Room 201, 6920 Franklin Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana, pursuant to Article 7, Section 23 (C) of the Louisiana Constitution and LA. R.S. 47:1705(B), to consider levying an additional or increased millage rates without further voter approval by adopting the adjusted millage rates after reassessment and then rolling forward to millage rates not to exceed the prior year maximum.

PRESENT:

Lambert J. Hassinger, Jr., President
Stephen V. Estopinal, Vice President
Jefferson M. Angers, Treasurer
Wilton P. Tilly, III, Secretary
G. Paul Kemp
Richard A. Luettich, Jr.
Louis E. Wittie
Tyrone C. Ben

ABSENT:

Kelly J. McHugh

Gerry Gillen, Orleans Levee District (O.L.D.) Executive Director, advised that three resolutions would be presented to the Board. The first resolution would roll back the Constitutional (General) Tax and Maintenance Tax millage rates, the second resolution would roll forward the Constitutional (General) Tax and Maintenance Tax millage rates, and the third resolution would adopt the Special Levee Improvement (SLIP) Tax millage rate that goes into effect in 2016. The roll forward of the Constitutional (General) Tax millage rate is estimated to produce approximately \$700,000 in additional revenues, which would be used to fund the O.L.D.'s allocation for several new positions being established at the SLFPA-E level that were not previously budgeted and towards an estimated \$2 million of Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB).

Mr. Hassinger asked whether there was anyone from the public who wished to provide comment. There was no one from the public who wished to provide comment. He then called for comments from Board members. There were no comments offered by the members of the Board.

The public hearing was adjourned at 9:34 a.m.

**MINUTES OF THE
SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY–EAST
BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2015**

The regular monthly Board Meeting of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (Authority or SLFPA-E) was held on Thursday, November 19, 2015, in the Orleans Levee District 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. Hassinger called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. and led in the pledge of allegiance.

The roll was called by Mr. Tilly and a quorum was present:

PRESENT:

Lambert J. Hassinger, Jr., President
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ABSENT:

Kelly J. McHugh

OPENING COMMENTS AND PRESENTATION OF COMMENDATION:

Capt. Vincent Yetta commended and awarded Officer Michael Schindler the East Jefferson Levee District (EJLD) Class B Award of Valor and commended and awarded Officer Gerard Duplessis a letter of merit for their efforts in rescuing two juveniles from drowning on May 10, 2014. Officers Schindler and Duplessis were on patrol along the Lakefront Levee when they observed two juveniles in the outfall canal at Pumping Station No. 1 who were having difficulty staying afloat because the pumping station was operating at full capacity. Officer Schindler swam out in the canal, disregarding his own personal safety, to rescue the juveniles. While Officer Schindler was in the canal, Officer Duplessis was instrumental in relaying vital information that resulted in the pumping station shutting down its pumps. Both juveniles were subsequently rescued.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 11-19-15-01 –
APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 15, 2015 BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Mr. Hassinger thanked Glenda Boudreaux for the professional manner in which the SLFPA-E's minutes are prepared.

On the motion of Mr. Estopinal,
Seconded by Mr. Wittie, 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 October 15, 2015.

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

YEAS: Mr. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Luettich,
Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

PRESENTATIONS:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

John Testa explained that he and Jose Garcia have attempted for almost a year after receiving a permit from the City of New Orleans to begin work on Boathouse 21 and make the property marketable. Several requests were received from the Non-Flood Protection Asset Management Authority (NFPAMA) office and the majority of the requests were fulfilled; however, the NFPAMA office has continued to stop work on the project. He commented that the work stoppages seem to be extremely unusual since the boathouse is an existing structure for which certain laws are grandfathered and the plans have been approved by the City. He added that the stoppages have cost thousands of dollars and the project is a year behind schedule.

Mr. Hassinger noted that the SLFPA-E is not the entity with jurisdiction over the boathouses.

Mr. Testa pointed out that there are still several outstanding requests that they are willing to address. One request is that fire coded sheetrock be used throughout the building even though the boathouse is a freestanding structure.

Jose Garcia further explained that the rent has been paid over the past year for the boathouse while attempts were being made to obtain a permit. He commented on the loss of an opportunity to sell the property because the renovation schedule could not be met and on the work stoppage enforced by an O.L.D. Police Officer.

Wilma Heaton, SLFPA-E Director of Governmental Affairs and NFPAMA Board Member, apologized for the situation and advised that she would do everything in her power to streamline permit requirements and better communications with the public. She explained that the boathouse has been blighted since Hurricane Katrina. Messrs. Testa and Garcia purchased the property out of bankruptcy and are attempting to renovate the property. Mr. Garcia met with Mr. Gillen regarding the need for an O.L.D. permit and was subsequently advised that an O.L.D. permit was not required. In the meantime, Mr. Garcia's permit from the City expired. She reiterated that, even though she is not a member of the Marina Committee, she would work to ensure that better policies are enacted.

Mr. Hassinger requested that Ms. Heaton encourage the NFPAMA Board to do everything possible to rectify this situation and eliminate future such occurrences.

Nyka Scott, SLFPA-E Executive Counsel, informed the Board that the SLFPA-E became involved in this situation on September 21st when Mr. Garcia was advised that a permit was needed from the O.L.D. because work would be performed near a levee. The NFPAMA office was advised that an O.L.D. permit was not needed because no subsurface work was being performed near a levee. About a month later, Mr. Garcia advised that the City refused to issue a second building permit because there was no O.L.D. permit. Ms. Scott stated that she wrote another letter to the City regarding this issue. About a week later she was informed about the work stoppage enforced by an O.L.D. Police Officer. Ms. Scott stated that she had the drawings for the boathouse sent to Felton Suthon, O.L.D. Engineer, for review in early October. Mr. Suthon quickly reviewed the drawings and provided several comments, which were shared with Mr. Garcia and for the most part have been addressed. She commented that the requirement for fire coded sheetrock seemed excessive for a freestanding building. She noted that the purpose of the NFPAMA is to bring the non-flood protection assets back into commerce and produce revenue that can be returned to the O.L.D. She offered her assistance with this situation.

Beverly Crais inquired about obtaining information contained in the CPRA's report on the independent analysis requested by the SLFPA-E of the original design of the drainage system along the West Return Floodwall. Ms. Crais added that her property has now flooded nine times and that she recently had 16 loads of mud placed on the property because of City of Kenner Code Enforcement requirements.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee: The Finance Committee did not meet during the month of November; therefore, there was no report.

Operations Committee: The Operations Committee did not meet during the month of November; therefore, there was no report.

Legal Committee: The Legal Committee did not meet during the month of November; therefore, there was no report.

CPRA: Nyka Scott, Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA) Board member, provided a report on the CPRA Board meeting held on October 21st:

- Mississippi River Sediment Diversions – Studies were done on five potential diversions. Staff's recommendation to further study the mid-Barataria Sediment Diversion and the mid-Breton Sediment Diversion was discussed.
- The CPRA Board discussed and approved the use of Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act (GOMESA) funding in lieu of Deep Water Horizon money for the LA 1 project.
- An update on the Deep Water Horizon settlement was provided. The settlement for Louisiana totals nearly \$6.8 billion (Natural Resource Damages - \$5 billion, Clean Water Act civil penalties - \$787 million, and State economic losses - \$1 billion). An order must be instituted by the Court prior to the clock starting on the disbursement of the settlement. The monies will be paid over a twenty year period.

Coastal Advisory Committee: Mr. Kemp provided a report on the November 18th Coastal Advisory Committee meeting:

- Information was provided by Dr. John Lopez of the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Foundation (LPBF) and Wilma Heaton on the proposed marsh creation project located in New Orleans East adjacent to South Shore Harbor. The preliminary plans for the project were reviewed. The Committee was impressed with the proposal and expressed its support for the project. The created marsh would provide filtration for storm water currently being pumped into the lake by a nearby Sewerage & Water Board pump station. The marsh would enhance the development of recreational facilities and the project will have an educational component. The estimated cost of the project is \$5 million. Dredged fill from South Shore Harbor could assist with the project cost. A potential developer of the former Bally's Casino site is anticipated to partner with the LPBF and SLFPA-E on the project.
- The Committee expressed support for the Pontchartrain-Maurepas Surge Consortium letter to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) concerning the requirement for surge reanalysis of Southeast Louisiana. One of the signatories of the letter is the SLFPA-E Regional Director. The SLFPA-E is encouraging the CPRA, as the non-federal sponsor for the Hurricane and Storm Surge Risk Reduction System (HSDRRS), to take the lead on the storm surge reanalysis of Southeast Louisiana.
- Dr. Lopez presented an update on Mardi Gras Pass. The Pass opened up during the extended flood of 2015 and is conveying twice the flow that it conveyed in 2014. The Committee encouraged the LPBF to continue its monitoring activities and to develop options for the control of the Pass.
- The Committee addressed velocity monitoring at the GIWW Surge Barrier. The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) did several synoptic surveys and examined the data that was providing anomalous results to determine the cause of the anomalies and produce more accurate results. A consultant and vendors used by NOAA are preparing a proposal to place a hurricane hardened sensor system (meteorology and oceanography) on the Surge Barrier.

- Tremaine and Associates provided an update on the levee visualization and imaging SLFPA-E demonstration project. The technology utilizes both resistivity and electromagnetic approaches. The demonstration project includes three test sections. A report will be provided on the completed project.

REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Robert Turner, SLFPA-E Regional Director, reviewed the highlights of the Regional Director's report (copy appended to minutes) and provided the following additional comments:

- LPV-03.2b.1- Landside Runoff – The SLFPA-E received the report earlier in the week on the CPRA'S analysis of the USACE's hydraulic modeling for the project. A copy of the report was provided to Mr. Estopinal. Mr. Turner advised that he reviewed the draft report about two weeks ago and provided comment. The report provides a comparison of the water surface elevations resulting from the CPRA's analysis for the 10-year and 100-year events and the pipe sizes for the 10-year event, along with the water surface elevations and pipe sizes computed by the USACE's contractor. The report concludes that the proposed sheet pile wall for the section between the Grand Lake Pump Station and West Esplanade Avenue should be sufficient to deal with the flooding issues in this location. Mr. Turner pointed out that based on the report additional work is needed in certain areas north of West Esplanade Avenue. A meeting was held with USACE representatives in the field to request modifications to include a wider opening in order to allow water to escape in extreme events onto West Esplanade Avenue. The replacement of some of the underground pipeline and additional catch basins in an area north of West Esplanade Avenue have been discussed.

Mr. Estopinal commented that his reading of the report indicated that there was a design failure and inquired about assistance for homeowners for their losses. He pointed out that if the line is too small and the hydraulic grade line extends above ground, the water will flow backward; therefore, the number of catch basins would not matter. Mr. Turner explained that the USACE's attorneys determine whether the homeowners will be compensated by the USACE for their losses. Mr. Estopinal requested that the SLFPA-E do what it can to pursue compensation for the homeowners for their losses and to ensure that future work is performed in accordance with proper engineering designs. He recommended that the SLFPA-E's Executive Counsel meet with the USACE's attorneys regarding this issue.

Bradley Drouant, USACE Project Manager, advised that the USACE requested a proposal for the sheet pile work for the section between the Grand Lake Pump Station and West Esplanade Avenue. He pointed out that this section of the project was prioritized due to the flooding of homes. The USACE is reviewing the recent CPRA report and is attempting to set up a meeting with SLFPA-E representatives to discuss the areas north of West Esplanade Avenue. He noted that the USACE is considering about 1,300 feet of embankment work in this area. He advised that the USACE will work with the SLFPA-E to determine a final solution in order to prevent any future flooding. He explained that the compensation for losses is controlled by law and the authorities granted by Congress to the USACE. He added that the

USACE would be happy to have its attorneys meet with the SLFPA-E's attorney on this issue. Mr. Hassinger requested that Ms. Scott meet with the USACE's attorneys.

- Armoring – The USACE completed installation of most of the High Performance Turf Reinforcement Mat (HPTRM) on the Orleans Lakefront Levee; however, the sod has not yet arrived for much of the work. The USACE is attempting to work thru the sod delivery issues. A SLFPA-E letter to the USACE requested that future contracts include limitations on the installation of the HPTRM prior to the anticipated placement of sod.
- Non-federal levee certification – Construction plans were completed for the Violet Canal realignment. The SLFPA-E is working closely with GOSEPH and FEMA to secure funding for the project. The benefit-cost analysis (7 to 1 ratio) was completed and submitted to GOSEPH for review. The SLFPA-E is attempting to obtain fidelity on the required environmental clearances. A small segment of work will be accomplished by Lake Borgne Basin Levee District employees. Staff is working through the issues concerning the last piece of required property.
- Asset management – The anticipated development of software and a data base to effectively schedule and track operation and maintenance activities for the Complex Structures will also allow staff to look at trends and determine future needs.

EXECUTIVE COUNSEL'S REPORT:

Ms. Scott provided a report on the following items:

- Litigation status – Nine matters remain open, the majority of which are in the final stages of litigation and/or settlement with the exception of one recent addition (a traffic accident involving a tractor).
- Status of contracts – Contracts have been executed with AECOM, HNTB and Linfield, Hunter and Junius for the levee lift work. The Legal Department has begun drafting the front end documents for the levee lift contracts.
- Human Resource matters – There was no objection to the O.L.D.'s Human Resource (HR) Department reorganization. Civil Service is anticipated to approve the reorganization and after thirty days the SLFPA-E HR Director position can be posted. The position of Grant Writer has been filled. A list of the grants that are being researched will be provided to the Board. A Civil Service hearing has been scheduled on December 16, 2015 on an EJLD employee's appeal.
- SLFPA-E office buildout – The SLFPA-E will be moving into its new offices at the Lakefront Airport Terminal on November 23rd.
- O.L.D. matters – Legislation by Senator J. P. Morrell passed in the last legislative session created a law enforcement district that allows police agencies with jurisdiction in Orleans Parish to assist the New Orleans Police Department with patrol and other duties. Ms. Scott, Chief Garner and Capt. Boudreaux will attend the first scheduled meeting (November 23rd) on the discussion of the law enforcement district and Ms. Scott will advise the Board regarding the issues and a potential Cooperative Endeavor Agreement.

- Non-federal levee certification – An individual was discovered living on one of the properties to be acquired for the Violet Canal Realignment Project and must be relocated.
- NFPAMA - Louis Capo, SLFPA-E Internal Auditor, and Maria Chedid, O.L.D. Comptroller, researched ten years of documents relative to monies owed by the NFPAMA to the Orleans Levee District. The final calculated amount (\$7,393,601) will be included in a Memorandum of Understanding between the agencies. Some of the money owed by the NFPAMA will be offset through rent payments after the SLFPA-E's move to the Airport Terminal.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION NO. 11-19-15-02 - DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL DOMICILE

Mr. Luettich voiced reservation about the relocation of the SLFPA-E's offices outside of the HSDRRS.

On the motion of Mr. Angers,
Seconded by Mr. Estopinal, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the Board's Bylaws provide under Article 2 for an Official Domicile of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East at such place in the territorial jurisdiction of the Authority as the Board may designate by Resolution from time to time.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East designates the location of its official domicile at the New Orleans Lakefront Airport, Terminal Building, Suite 225, 6001 Stars and Stripes Boulevard, New Orleans, Louisiana 70126, effective November 23, 2015.

The foregoing was submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:
YEAS: Mr. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie
NAYS: Mr. Luettich
ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

RESOLUTION NO. 11-19-15-03 – APPROVAL OF LEGAL SERVICES INVOICES

On the motion of Mr. Angers,
Seconded by Mr. Wittie, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the legal services invoices submitted to the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (SLFPA-E), East Jefferson Levee District, Lake Borgne Basin Levee District and Orleans Levee District listed on the spreadsheet entitled "Legal Invoices Approved on November 19, 2015", have been reviewed and approved by the appropriate levee district Executive Director, the SLFPA-E Regional Director and the SLFPA-E Executive Counsel, and provided to members of the Legal Committee.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the legal services invoices listed on the spreadsheet entitled "Legal Invoices Approved on November 19, 2015" are hereby approved.

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

YEAS: Mr. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Luettich,
Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

**RESOLUTION NO. 11-19-15-04 –
EXTENSION OF ID-IQ CONTRACT WITH GCR, INC.**

Mr. Turner explained that GCR, Inc. is providing services in the continuing effort to track lands in a GIS environment within the SLFPA-E's Levee Information Management System (LIMS).

On the motion of Mr. Wittie,

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

WHEREAS, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (SLFPA-E) and GCR, Inc., entered into an Indefinite Delivery-Indefinite Quantity (ID-IQ) contract, dated December 17, 2009, for Abstracting, Project Management and Right-of-Way Acquisition Consulting Services to support the SLFPA-E's acquisition of Lands, Easements, Rights-of-Ways, Relocations and Disposal Sites (LERRDs) with an expiration date of December 31, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned contract was amended to include services in connection with the development of a land management tool for the collection and archiving of critical land records and the creation of an interface to GIS maps and survey data delineating existing levee rights-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the Board by Resolutions Nos. 11-21-13-09 and 12-18-14-05 authorized two one-year extensions of the contract, which will expire on December 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the continued services of GCR, Inc. are needed to complete the collection and archiving of critical land records in the GIS Property Management Application for the East Jefferson, Orleans and Lake Borgne Basin Levee Districts and for other necessary services, and to provide training for SLFPA-E staff relative to the GIS Property Management Application.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East authorizes a six month extension of the ID-IQ Contract with GCR, Inc. with all terms and conditions of the contract to remain the same, and authorizes the SLFPA-E Regional Director to execute 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. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Luettich,

Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

RESOLUTION NO. 11-19-15-05 – BUILD OUT OF OFFICE SPACE FOR SLFPA-E STAFF IN LAKEFRONT AIRPORT TERMINAL

Ms. Scott advised that the initial cost estimate for the build out of office space in the Airport Terminal and relocation of the SLFPA-E offices was \$310,000. Ms. Heaton explained that that build out and relocation includes the construction 12 offices, IT and telephone equipment, moving, and other related expenses. The build out of the conference center is a separate project that will be addressed at a later date.

On the motion of Mr. Wittie,
Seconded by Mr. Ben, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (SLFPA-E) by Resolution No. 05-21-15-05 approved the build out of office space in the Lakefront Airport Terminal for SLFPA-E staff; and

WHEREAS, a budget not to exceed \$325,000 has been developed for the build out of the office space and the relocation of the SLFPA-E offices, which includes architectural, construction, IT, communications and relocation costs, and as needed furnishings; and

WHEREAS, in order to accomplish the project in an expeditious manner, the costs of the build out and office relocation will be paid by the Orleans Levee District and will be reimbursed by the SLFPA-E.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East authorizes the transfer of an amount not to exceed \$325,000 from the Louisiana Asset Management Pool BP Settlement account to the SLFPA-E Capital One Operating Account for the build out of office space in the Lakefront Airport Terminal for SLFPA-E staff and the relocation of the SLFPA-E offices.

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

YEAS: Mr. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Luettich,
Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

Discussion of proposed marsh project located in New Orleans East adjacent to South Shore Harbor by the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Foundation.

Mr. Hassinger noted that this item was addressed earlier in the meeting.

**RESOLUTION NO. 11-19-15-06 –
RENEWAL OF INSURANCE COVERAGES TAKING EFFECT ON JANUARY 1, 2016**

Ms. Scott explained that several insurance coverages expire on December 31st and the EJLD could potentially be moving its coverage to the Office of Group Benefits effective January 1st. Actions taken by staff on the insurance coverage renewals/procurements will be brought to be Board for ratification at its January meeting.

On the motion of Mr. Wittie,

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

WHEREAS, several of the East Jefferson, Lake Borgne Basin and Orleans Levee Districts' insurance coverages will expire on December 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, Inc., will shop the market for quotes and provide recommendations to levee district staff on the procurement of the coverages for a one-year period commencing on January 1, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Board is not anticipated to meet during the month of December, 2015.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East authorizes the Executive Directors of the East Jefferson, Lake Borgne Basin and Orleans Levee Districts to take all actions required to renew or procure the insurance coverages that will take effect on January 1, 2016, and present said actions for the Board's ratification at its next meeting.

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

YEAS: Mr. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Luettich,
Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

RESOLUTION NO. 11-19-15-07 – EXTENSION OF LEGAL SERVICES CONTRACTS

Ms. Scott explained that two firms are handling the few remaining open cases. Gordon, Arata, McCollam, Duplantis & Eagan, LLP, is finalizing several Bohemia Spillway settlements. McCranie, Sistrunk, Anzelmo, Hardy, Maxwell & McDaniel, PC, is handling the Borgnemouth Realty and Olivier Plantation matters. The contracts will expire on December 31st and an additional one year extension is requested.

On the motion of Mr. Luettich,

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

WHEREAS, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (SLFPA-E) by Resolutions Nos. 11-08-07-11 and 05-21-09-08 selected and approved a list of attorneys and law firms to provide legal services on an as-needed basis for the SLFPA-E and the levee districts within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the SLFPA-E entered into contracts for legal services with the firms of McCranie, Sistrunk, Anzelmo, Hardy, Maxwell & McDaniel, PC and Gordon, Arata, McCollam, Duplantis & Eagan, LLP, which initially expired on June 30, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Board subsequently authorized extensions of the contracts, which will expire on December 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, a continuation of the aforementioned contracts is required to address on-going litigation and other on-going matters as required; and

WHEREAS, the contracts will be extended with the same terms and conditions.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the SLFPA-E authorizes the extension of the existing contracts with the firms of McCranie, Sistrunk, Anzelmo, Hardy, Maxwell & McDaniel, PC and Gordon, Arata, McCollam, Duplantis & Eagan, LLP for a period of one year expiring on December 31, 2016, subject to approval by the Louisiana Attorney General.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution 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. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Luettich,
Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

**RESOLUTION NO. 11-19-15-08 – LEGAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH
MOULEDOUX, BLAND, LEGRAND & BRACKETT**

Ms. Scott advised that Mark Hanna previously worked with McCranie, Sistrunk, Anzelmo, Hardy, Maxwell & McDaniel, PC. A contract is required for Mr. Hanna's continuing services on a Civil Service litigation matter that will be heard in December.

On the motion of Mr. Tilly,

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

WHEREAS, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (SLFPA-E) has a need for special litigation for Civil Service issues; and

WHEREAS, Mark Hanna with the firm of Mouledoux, Bland, LeGrand & Brackett was selected to enter into a contract to provide legal services for pending Civil Service matters; and

WHEREAS, attorney fee rates in said contract for special legal services shall comply with the Hourly Fee Schedule of the Attorney General for special legal services. The hourly fee schedule for these contracts shall be as follows:

\$175.00 Per hour for Attorneys having experience of ten years or more in the practice of law

\$150.00 Per hour for Attorneys having experience of five to ten years in the practice of law

\$125.00 Per hour for Attorneys having experience of three to five years in the practice of law

\$100.00 Per hour for Attorneys having experience of less than three years in the practice of law

\$ 45.00 Per hour for Paralegal Services

\$ 25.00 Per Hour for Law Clerk Services

WHEREAS, a copy of this Resolution and contract with Mouledoux, Bland, LeGrand & Brackett shall be submitted to the Louisiana Office of the Attorney General for approval; and

WHEREAS, Mouledoux, Bland, LeGrand & Brackett proposes to use the following staff to perform services under this contract:

Mark Hanna - 27 years experience - \$175 per hour

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the SLFPA-E approves and authorizes the SLFPA-E Regional Director to execute a contract for a term of one year with Mouledoux, Bland, LeGrand & Brackett to provide special litigation services for Civil Service issues.

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

YEAS: Mr. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Luettich,
Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

Discussion of SLFPA-E Strategic Plan.

Derek Boese, EJLD Executive Director, provided a status report on the update/revision of the SLFPA-E Strategic Plan. The results of the employee survey were reviewed and Goals, Guiding Principles and Objectives mapped for review by a team consisting of Mr. Hassinger, Mr. Turner, Ms. Scott and Ms. Heaton. A list of possibilities was provided to the Board and feedback was requested.

RESOLUTION NO. 11-19-15-09 – EJLD - FIRST NBC BANK ACCOUNT SIGNATORIES

On the motion of Mr. Estopinal,
Seconded by Mr. Angers, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (SLFPA-E) adopted Resolution No. 03-21-13-10, which authorized the East Jefferson Levee District (EJLD) to utilize the banking services of First NBC Bank and to open accounts as provided in the resolution for the transaction of business and set forth designated agents and signatories for all transactions on the accounts; and

WHEREAS, the SLFPA-E by Resolution No. 04-16-15-09 amended the aforementioned resolution to remove the retired EJLD Executive Director and add Robert A. Turner, Jr., SLFPA-E Regional Director, as a designated signatory; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to update the designated agents and signatories for all transactions for the aforementioned accounts to add Derek E. Boese, EJLD Executive Director.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 03-21-13-10 is amended to provide the following individuals as designated agents and signatories for all transactions on all accounts of the East Jefferson Levee District at the First NBC Bank:

Derek E. Boese, EJLD Executive Director
Robert A. Turner, Jr., SLFPA-E Regional Director
Jonell Cangelosi, Special Assistant
Paula Y. Doucet, HR Analyst C

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the SLFPA-E designates Derek E. Boese as the security administrator for all First NBC Bank transactions for the EJLD.

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

YEAS: Mr. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Luettich,
Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

RESOLUTION NO. 11-19-15-10 – EJLD RFQ FOR ARCHITECTURAL-ENGINEERING CONSULTING SERVICES FOR SAFEHOUSE AND CONSOLIDATED FACILITIES

Mr. Boese explained that the construction of the EJLD Safehouse and Consolidated Facilities has been discussed over the past several years. The Board, Regional Director and Mr. Boese reviewed the project and associated financial aspects. A value engineering study of the old plan was performed. A needs analysis by an independent architect, RCL Architecture, was done. After review of the analysis and a realistic look at costs based on EJLD's needs, a concept was developed with the square footage of the old plan being cut by 38 percent, the cost per square foot cut by 25 percent and the overall budget cut at least 50 percent. Alton Davis, RCL Architecture Senior Project Manager, added that a number of spaces in the old plan were dedicated to a single use. Consolidation and multi-use reduced the square footage. Unnecessary bells and whistles that drove up the square foot cost were eliminated. The consolidation of the facilities into a single facility in lieu of two separate campuses also reduced costs. The new concept safely meets the EJLD's administrative, police and maintenance needs. Mr. Boese noted that the new concept lays out a functional, well managed plan that safely provides for the EJLD's needs, but is also fiscally responsible. He requested that the Board approve the advertisement of a Request for Qualifications for the new design.

On the motion of Mr. Wittie,

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

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East authorizes the advertisement of a Request for Qualifications for the

design of the East Jefferson Levee District Safehouse and Consolidated Facilities based on the needs analysis.

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

YEAS: Mr. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Luettich,
Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

**RESOLUTION #11-19-15-11 - DOWNWARD ADJUSTMENT OF MILLAGE RATES TO
TAKE INTO ACCOUNT 2015 REASSESSMENT**

Mr. Hassinger read aloud the resolution in its entirety. Mr. Tilly conducted a roll call vote on the adoption of the resolution.

On the motion of Mr. Estopinal,
Seconded by Mr. Ben, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, Article 7, Section 23 (B) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, as amended (the "Constitution") and La. R. S. 47:1705 B. requires taxing authorities to adjust the millage rates upward or downward so that the taxing authorities receive not more or less ad valorem taxes in the year following reassessment than in the year preceding the last reassessment of property, (for these purposes: year preceding last reassessment is 2015 and year following reassessment is 2016); and

WHEREAS, the reassessment of property within the geographic boundaries of the Orleans Levee District (the "District"), the portion of Orleans Parish located on the East Bank of the Mississippi River, made during 2015 as completed for use for tax year 2016 resulted in more assessed valuation than that assessed in 2015 which requires a reduction in millage rates for 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority–East (the "Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the District levied the following two ad valorem taxes within the District's geographic limits in 2015 at the following rates:

1) for the tax authorized by Article 6 Section 39 (A) of the Constitution (the "General Tax"), at the rate of 5.46 Mills;

2) for the Maintenance Tax authorized by the Special Election of March 5, 1974 and imposed by the District's Resolution No. 1-081899 (the "Maintenance Tax") at the rate of .75 Mills.

(Collectively the "Taxes"); and

WHEREAS, the Authority desires to adjust the millage rates levied for each of the Taxes in 2015 as required by the provisions of Article 7, Section 23 (B) of the Constitution and La. R. S. 47:1705 B. to the level required in order that the District would receive in tax year 2016 no more nor no less than the District received from the Taxes in year 2015.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY-EAST as the governing authority of the Orleans Levee District in a public meeting held on November 19, 2015, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B) that:

SECTION 1. Downward Adjustment of 2015 Millages to Take Into Account the 2015 Reassessment. The Authority does hereby adjust downward each of the millage rates for the following two ad valorem taxes levied by the District as required by Article 7, Section 23 (B) of the Constitution and La. R. S. 47:1705 B. from the rates levied and collected in 2015, as shown in Column B below to the adjusted rates shown in Column C below:

A	B	C
Name of Tax	Millage Rate Levied in 2015	Reduced Adjusted Millage Rate Established After Taking into Account 2015 Reassessment
General Tax	5.46	5.25
Maintenance Tax	0.75	.72

Attached hereto as Exhibit "A" are the adjustment schedules calculating the reduced adjusted millage rates established after reassessment as set forth in column C of the above chart.

SECTION 2. Further Actions. The President of the Authority or Orleans Levee District Executive Director is and they are hereby authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents necessary to accomplish the above purposes.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Mr. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Luettich,
Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

RESOLUTION #11-19-15-12 - INCREASE OF MILLAGE RATES FOR YEAR 2016 UPWARD FROM THE ADJUSTED DOWNWARD 2015 MILLAGE RATES MADE TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE 2015 PROPERTY REASSESSMENT

Mr. Gillen advised that the resolution before the Board would increase the millage rates that were adjusted downward by the prior resolution for calendar year 2016. Mr. Hassinger asked whether the millage rate increase was necessary for the effective operation of the Orleans Levee District. Mr. Gillen replied, yes; the estimated \$750,000

increase in revenue would be used to fund additional positions at the Authority level not previously budgeted and to partially fund an estimated \$2 million of Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB).

Mr. Tilly read aloud the resolution in its entirety and conducted a roll call vote on the adoption of the resolution.

On the motion of Mr. Luettich,

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

WHEREAS, the reassessment of property subject to taxation within the geographic boundaries of the Orleans Levee District (the "District"), the portion of Orleans Parish located on the East Bank of the Mississippi River, made during 2015 as completed for use for tax year 2016 resulted in more assessed valuation than that assessed in 2015; and

WHEREAS, as required by Article 7, Section 23 (B) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, as amended (the "Constitution") and La. R. S. 47:1705 B. the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority–East (the "Authority") as the governing authority of the District adopted its Resolution No. 11-19-15-11 adjusting downward the millage rates levied by it in 2015 to the adjusted millage rates required so that the District shall receive not more or less ad valorem taxes in the year following reassessment than in the year preceding the last reassessment of property, (for these purposes: year preceding last reassessment is 2015 and year following reassessment is 2016); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Louisiana Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Constitution, and La. R. S. 47:1705 B., the Authority conducted a public hearing immediately prior to this Board meeting for the purpose of considering levying additional or increased millage rates without further voter approval; and

WHEREAS, as authorized by the provisions of Article 7, Section 23 (C) of the Constitution and La. R. S. 47: 1705 B. allowing the collection of a larger amount of ad valorem taxes by a taxing entity for years after reassessment by setting millages not to exceed the millage rate assessed in the last year prior to the reassessment (in this case year 2015), notwithstanding the provisions of Article 7, Section 23 (B), upon two-thirds vote of the governing authority of a taxing entity after a public hearing held pursuant to R.S. 47:1705 B. the Authority desires to increase the millage rate for the two taxes levied and collected by the District from the adjusted millage rates established by the Authority in Resolution No. 11-19-15-11 to the higher millage rates levied by the District in year 2015.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY-EAST as the governing authority of the Orleans Levee District in a public meeting held on November 19, 2015, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B) that:

SECTION 1. Increase of Downward Adjusted 2015 Millages to the Millage Rates Levied in 2015. After consideration of the issues discussed in the public hearing held this date at approximately 9:30 a.m., the Authority does hereby increase each of the as adjusted downward millage rates for each of the Taxes levied by the District (as required by Article 7 Section 23(B)) as reflected in Column C of the table below to the rates not exceeding the rates levied in 2015 as reflected in Column B of the table below so that such Taxes shall be levied in 2016 (which may not exceed the rate levied in 2015) at the rates shown in Column D below:

A	B	C	D
Name of Tax	Millage Rate Levied in 2015	Reduced Adjusted Millage Rate Established After Taking into Account 2015 Reassessment	Millage Rate to be Levied in 2016 (not to exceed 2015 Millage Rate)
General Tax	5.46	5.25	5.46
Maintenance Tax	0.75	.72	0.75
Total General and Maintenance Tax Millages to be Levied in 2016			6.21

SECTION 2. Statement of Total Millage to be Levied. A total of 6.21 mills shall be levied in 2016 for the General Tax and Maintenance Tax.

SECTION 3. Certification of Levy. The Authority acting for the District hereby certifies the annual levy of the General Tax and the Maintenance Tax to the Council of the City of New Orleans for the purpose of causing the two taxes to be entered on the tax rolls of said City and collected by its Finance Department in the manner and under the conditions and with interest and penalties prescribed by law for City taxes; and such monies, the ad valorem taxes including interest and penalties connected therewith, thus collected shall be paid to the District as provided by law for the tax year 2016.

SECTION 4. Further Actions. The President of the Authority or Orleans Levee District Executive Director is and they are hereby authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents necessary to accomplish the above purposes.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by no less than two-thirds of the total membership of the taxing authority voting in favor as required by Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B). The votes were:

YEAS: Mr. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Luettich,
Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

RESOLUTION 11-19-15-13 - ADOPT MILLAGE RATE FOR THE SPECIAL LEVEE IMPROVEMENT TAX FOR THE YEAR 2016 AND CERTIFY THE LEVY OF THE MILLAGE RATE TO THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS

Mr. Gillen explained that the Special Levee Improvement (SLIP) tax was approved by the voters in 2012 and goes into effect in 2016. He pointed out that 0.61 mills of the 6.07 mills is dedicated to the Non-Flood Protection Assets.

Mr. Hassinger read aloud the resolution in its entirety. Mr. Tilly conducted a roll call vote on the adoption of the resolution.

On the motion of Mr. Estopinal,
Seconded by Mr. Angers, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – East (“the Authority”), acting as the governing authority of the Orleans Levee District, that:

Section 1. Millage to be levied in 2016. The following millage is adopted and levied for the tax year 2016 on all property subject to taxation within the portion of Orleans Parish located on the East Bank of the Mississippi River, by the Orleans Levee District:

Special Levee Improvement	
Tax (SLIP Tax)	6.07 mills

The Special Levee Improvement Tax is authorized by the Special Election of November 6, 2012.

Section 2. Statement of Total Millage to be levied. A total of 6.07 mills shall be levied in 2016 for the Special Levee Improvement Tax.

Section 3. The Authority, acting for the District, hereby certifies the annual levy of the Special Levee Improvement Tax to the Council of the City of New Orleans for the purpose of causing the tax to be entered on the assessment rolls of said City for the tax year 2016, and that the tax herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and enforced and collected by the City’s Finance Department in the manner and under the conditions and with interest and penalties prescribed by law for City taxes; and such monies, the ad valorem taxes including interest and penalties connected therewith, thus collected shall be paid to the District as provided by law for the tax year 2016.

Section 3. Further Action. The President of the Authority or the Orleans Levee District Executive Director is and they are hereby authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents necessary to accomplish the above purposes.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Mr. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Luettich,
Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie

NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

**RESOLUTION NO. 11-19-15-14 –
RENEWAL OF O.L.D. DENTAL PLAN AND VISION PLAN COVERAGE**

Mr. Gillen advised that there was no increase in cost for the renewal of the dental and vision plans for active employees.

On the motion of Mr. Angers,
Seconded by Mr. Estopinal, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the Orleans Levee District's (O.L.D.) current Dental Plan and three-year Vision Plan will expire on December 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, flat premium rate quotes were received from Crescent Dental Plan for a one-year dental plan and from United Health Vision for a three-year vision plan through Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, Inc., commencing on January 1, 2016, as follows:

- The Crescent Dental Care Plan for active employees is offered at an estimated annual cost of \$56,609.96.
- The United Health Vision Three-Year Plan for active employee is offered at an estimated annual cost of \$11,228.16

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East authorizes the renewal of the Crescent Dental Plan and the United Health Vision Three-Year Plan as stated above for a period of one year, commencing on January 1, 2016 and ending on December 31, 2016.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the O.L.D. Executive Director is authorized to execute 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. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Luettich,
Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

**RESOLUTION NO. 11-19-15-15 – O.L.D. RENEWAL OF LOUISIANA OFFICE OF
GROUP BENEFITS HEALTH PLAN COVERAGE**

Mr. Gillen explained that the O.L. D. was assessed at a higher rate three years ago when the district joined the Office of Group Benefits (OGB) Health Plan and that the cost has decreased each year. The O.L.D. will be assessed the State's established rates for 2016. Although the premium rate decreased, additional employees were included in the plan; therefore, the total anticipate premium increased approximately \$10,000.

On the motion of Mr. Estopinal,
Seconded by Mr. Tilly, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the Orleans Levee District's (O.L.D.) Health Plan will expire on December 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, a renewal quote was submitted in October, 2015, by the Office of Group Benefits (OGB) for six Health Care Plan options for a one year term commencing on January 1, 2016, for Flood Protection Division employees and retirees; and

WHEREAS, the OGB Health Plan quote contains six Health Plan options with variable premiums at an estimated annual cost of \$2,158,579.92 with the O.L.D. paying an estimated \$1,712,522.40 and the employees and retirees paying an estimated \$446,057.92 towards the total premium.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East authorizes the renewal of the OGB Healthcare Plan as stated above for a period of one year, commencing on January 1, 2016 and ending on December 31, 2016.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the O.L.D. Executive Director is authorized to execute 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. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Luettich,
Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

**RESOLUTION NO. 11-19-15-16 –
ASSET MANAGEMENT OF WATER CONTROL STRUCTURES PHASE 2:
CUSTOM ASSET MANAGEMENT SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT**

Mr. Turner explained that the proposed task order is for the development of the software required for the Orleans Levee District to perform asset management of the Complex Structures, which primarily consists of the IHNC Surge Barrier Sector and Barge Gates, Seabrook Complex, and other navigation floodgates throughout the HSDRRS.

On the motion of Mr. Tilly,
Seconded by Mr. Luettich, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the Orleans Levee District (O.L.D.) is in need of a software application to manage the maintenance and inspection of the Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System major complex structures; and

WHEREAS, Task Order No. 1 was issued under the Indefinite Delivery-Indefinite Quantity contract between the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East

and Moffatt and Nichol for the Asset Management of Water Control Structures Phase 1 – Evaluation of Asset Management Systems; and

WHEREAS, the evaluation of asset management systems has been completed and Moffatt and Nichol has submitted a proposal for Phase 2 of the project for the Custom Asset Management System Development with a cost not to exceed \$159,110.00.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East approves the issuance of Task Order No. 3 to Moffatt and Nichol for the Asset Management of Water Control Structures Phase 2: Custom Asset Management System Development at a cost not to exceed \$159,110.00, and authorizes the O.L.D. Executive Director to execute said Task Order and any and all documents necessary to accomplish the above.

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

YEAS: Mr. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Luettich,
Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

RESOLUTION NO. 11-19-15-17 – CEA BETWEEN ORLEANS LEVEE DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS

On the motion of Mr. Luettich,

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

WHEREAS, State Senator J.P. Morrell passed Act No.262 during the 2015 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Act No. 262 creates a law enforcement management district in Orleans Parish; and

WHEREAS, the law enforcement management district's purpose is to facilitate development and implementation of cooperative endeavor agreements (CEA) between or among the various agencies having law enforcement jurisdiction in Orleans Parish, including but not limited to the Orleans Levee District Police, to provide police protection;

WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Senate Committee on Judiciary "B" has requested that the Orleans Levee District Police participate in discussions regarding partnering with other law enforcement in Orleans Parish to provide support to the City of New Orleans Police Department.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the SLFPA-E approves and authorizes its Executive Counsel to participate in negotiations and discussion regarding a possible CEA amongst various agencies with law enforcement jurisdiction in Orleans Parish;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if a CEA is negotiated, the SLFPA-E approves and authorizes the Orleans Levee District Executive Director to execute the CEA.

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

YEAS: Mr. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Luettich,
Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

RESOLUTION NO. 11-19-15-18 – 1ST AMENDED CEA WITH STATE OF LOUISIANA, LBBLD AND SLFPA-E FOR DRAINAGE PUMP STATIONS AND CHANNEL IMPROVEMENTS, LAND ACQUISITION, PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION (ST. BERNARD), FP&C PROJECT NO. 36-L08-08B-01

Nick Cali, Lake Borgne Basin Levee District (LBBLD) Executive Director, advised that the amendment of the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the State would allow the levee district to access Capital Outlay Project (COP) funds as provided in the resolution. The original COP request was made in 2009 and includes multiple channel and drainage improvements throughout St. Bernard Parish. Mr. Turner explained that the genesis of the request was a reconnaissance study performed by the USACE. The feasibility study was nearly completed when Hurricane Katrina struck in 2005. Therefore, an application was made to the State for funding to pay the cost share requirement to complete the feasibility study and construct the project as envisioned in the reconnaissance study. The original partnership included the LBBLD and St. Bernard Parish. St. Bernard Parish dropped out of the partnership after Hurricane Katrina because of the unavailability of funds. Currently, the COP funding is in the form of a non-cash line of credit, which is an expression of the State of its willingness to go forward with the project at some point in time. Mr. Cali pointed out that St. Bernard Parish is taking the lead on updating the Master Drainage Plan.

On the motion of Mr. Estopinal,
Seconded by Mr. Tilly, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, in 2009, after having secured funding from the State of Louisiana Capital Outlay Program (COP) for Drainage Pump Stations And Channel Improvements, Land Acquisition, Planning and Construction (St. Bernard), FP&C Project No. 36-L08-08B-01, and in accordance with Resolution #10-15-09-12, Lake Borgne Basin Levee District (LBBLD) and Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East (SLFPA-E) executed a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the State of Louisiana represented by the Office of Facility Planning and Control (FP&C) of the Division of Administration for said project; and

WHEREAS, the LBBLD, as per the September 2015 Bond Commission meeting, has obtained a new non-cash line of credit in the amount of \$11,545,000 from the State of Louisiana Capital Outlay Program (COP) for Drainage Pump Stations And Channel Improvements, Land Acquisition, Planning and Construction (St. Bernard), FP&C Project No. 36-L08-08B-01; and

WHEREAS, in order to proceed with the Drainage Pump Stations and Channel Improvements, Land Acquisition, Planning And Construction (St. Bernard), FP&C Project No. 36-L08-08B-01, an amended Cooperative Endeavor Agreement is required.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East approves the 1st Amended Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the State of Louisiana, Lake Borgne Basin Levee District and Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East for Drainage Pump Stations And Channel Improvements, Land Acquisition, Planning and Construction (St. Bernard), FP&C Project No. 36-L08-08B-01, and authorizes the SLFPA-E President and/or LBBLD Executive Director to execute the 1st Amended CEA and any and all other documents necessary to accomplish the above including requests for State disbursements.

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

YEAS: Mr. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Luettich,
Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

RESOLUTION NO. 11-19-15-19 – AMENDMENT OF CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH LaPAC

Ms. Scott explained that an amendment of the contract with LaPAC is required due to the recently discovered need to relocate an additional individual found residing on property required for the construction of the Violet Canal realignment and to finalize the permanent servitude issues concerning the required Soap Factory property.

On the motion of Mr. Estopinal,
Seconded by Mr. Ben, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the Lake Borgne Basin Levee District (LBBLD) entered into a Contract for Professional Services with Louisiana Property Acquisition Co., LLC (LaPac) with a not-to-exceed value of \$49,500 to assist with negotiations with property owners to acquire several parcels of land in Violet, LA, for the Violet Canal North Protection Levee Project and to provide relocation assistance services for owners and tenants displaced thereby; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 07-16-15-20, the Board approved the amendment of the contract to increase the not-to-exceed value to \$100,000 for the aforementioned services; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to further amend the contract with LaPac to increase the not-to-exceed value to \$135,000 for these services.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East approves the amendment of the Contract for Professional Services with Louisiana Property Acquisition Co., LLC, to increase the not-to-exceed value to \$135,000 for services in connection with the acquisition of parcels required for the Violet Canal North Protection Levee Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the LBBLD Executive Director is authorized to sign the aforementioned amendment to the contract with LaPac.

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

YEAS: Mr. Angers, Mr. Ben, Mr. Estopinal, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Luettich,
Mr. Tilly and Mr. Wittie

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. McHugh

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. Discussion of Personnel Surveys.

A motion was offered by Mr. Estopinal, seconded by Mr. Luettich and unanimously adopted, for the Board to convene in Executive Session to discuss the item listed on the agenda. The Board convened in Executive Session at 12:05 p.m.

A motion was offered by Mr. Estopinal, seconded by Mr. Tilly and unanimously adopted, for the Board to reconvene in regular session at 12:45 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Mr. Hassinger asked did any Board member object to the cancellation of the December 17, 2015 Board meeting. There was no objection to the cancellation of the December 17, 2015 Board Meeting; therefore, the next regular monthly Board meeting will be held on January 21, 2016, and hosted by the EJLD.

There was no further business; therefore, the meeting was adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – EAST

REGIONAL DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Nov. 19, 2015

HSDRRS Project Status Update

IHNC-01 – Seabrook Complex The contractor’s proposed cost for repainting the Seabrook Lift Gates was significantly more than estimated by the Corps. The Corps has decided to change the scope of work to decrease cost. We intend to provide comment to the Corps on the proposed scope changes as soon as we receive them.

IHNC-02 – Lake Borgne Surge Barrier The SLFPA-E, USGS and the Corps met at the surge barrier to discuss options for obtaining accurate current velocity readings at the GIWW Sector Gate. USGS is taking several velocity surveys at the structure and will use the information collected to validate or calibrate the raw data reported by the Corps’ current velocity meters.

The work to replace the fairleads on the Bypass Barge Gate is scheduled to begin in February 2016. The gate will remain closed until the end of November.

A distress report was filed with CPRA and the Corps concerning the rust discovered inside of the hydraulic oil tanks on the Bypass Barge Gate windlasses. We are awaiting a response from the Corps.

LPV-03.2B – West Return Wall North of I-10 EJLD maintenance personnel found seepage occurring at the floodwall behind Grand Lake Drainage Pump Station during recent high tide events. The Corps and CPRA were immediately notified. A distress report was filed and we await a response from the Corps.

The seepage may be coming through a gap in the waterstop seal or through a handling slot in the steel sheet pile in line with the monolith’s isolation joint. We have formally requested the Corps to use their mini-cam to inspect the joint to determine the source of the seepage. There is no indication of floodwall distress at this time, and we continue to monitor the situation.

LPV-03.2b.1- Landside Runoff The Corps is proceeding with plans to install a vinyl sheet pile wall from the Grand Lake Drainage Pump Station north to West Esplanade Ave to prevent rainfall run-off from flowing from the levee right-of-way onto adjoining private property. Additional work will probably have to be done on some sections north of West Esplanade Ave., but the Corps has not yet informed us of their plans for these areas.

The CPRA completed the analysis of the Corps' hydraulic modeling for this project. The result of their analysis was transmitted to SLFPA-E on Nov. 13, 2015.

LPV-145A – Bayou Bienvenue All bridge deck panels have been placed on the approach ramps. Electrical and mechanical equipment is installed and the bridge is being balanced and aligned with the approaches. The bridge is being swung under shore power. Once the alignment is complete, final approach slabs will be placed on the ramps. The bridge is scheduled for completion late this year.

LPV-149 – Caernarvon Structure The Corps will issue a contract for repainting the Sector Gate leafs to address peeling paint problems discovered after the Notice of Construction Complete (NCC) was issued. To accomplish the work, the structure must be dewatered, which will temporarily impact navigation. The Corps has been granted right of entry to perform the work, which is scheduled to begin after Nov. 30, 2015

LPV-150 Jib Crane Pad and Vegetation Removal The Corps has refurbished the jib cranes and constructed parking pads at Bayou Dupre. A pre-final inspection was held Nov. 10, 2015; the final inspection has not yet been scheduled. Vegetation removal for the LPV 145 segment is complete, but continues on the LPV 146 segment.

OFC-07 London Avenue and 17th Street Remediation We received the NCC dated March 31, 2015. The contractor remains responsible for establishing turf and cutting the grass, but turf-related issues continue. SLFPA-E is still working with the Corps to make sure all turf issues are resolved.

Permanent Canal Closures and Pumps (PCCP) A status update for the three pump stations from the CPRA was sent to all Commissioners on Nov. 13th. The new structures are still scheduled for commissioning in May 2017, with decommissioning of the temporary structures possible within the following two years. Please check the New Orleans District web site at www.mvn.usace.army.mil/missions/hsdrrs/pccp.aspx for details and regular updates on this last, major HSDRRS perimeter project.

Armoring Work is underway on the Orleans lakefront levees (ARM-02) and the New Orleans East Levee (ARM-04).

For the airport levee in EJLD (ARM-03), only turf establishment remains to be done. A pre-final inspection was held on Nov. 18, 2015.

A detailed status update on all Corps armoring projects was sent to Commissioners on Oct. 30, 2015.

Meanwhile, SLFPA-E, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-West and the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA) are pushing ahead with plans to raise some levees, at local cost, before they are armored. The intent is to save millions of dollars in future armoring replacement costs by raising the lowest levees now in advance of armoring in order to extend the life of armored levees. SLFPA-E and CPRA have been working with the Corps to complete the Environmental Assessment and secure the necessary USACE Section 408 Permits.

Three design firms are now under contract with SLFPA-E to prepare plans and specs for the levee raisings in EJLD and N.O. East.

SBPS-07 – Repairs to LBBLD Pump Stations #2 and # 3 The major work at Pump Station #3 is complete, and work is continuing on Pump Station # 2. At that site, the old discharge pipes have been removed and a temporary retaining structure (TRS) has been installed. The contractor is about to drive H-piles in the TRS. T-Wall and base placement west of the station is underway.

Mississippi River Projects

Jefferson Heights A Corps contractor continues raising segments of the Mississippi River Levee in East Jefferson by about two feet. Work began at the Orleans Parish end and is moving toward Kenner. The first 4.2 miles has been raised; punch list items are being addressed, turf is being worked cracked asphalt is being repaired.

The second phase of construction is underway along 4.5 miles of levee between Orchard Road in River Ridge, west to the Jefferson-St. Charles line. Substantial completion of all embankment work is expected in January, 2016. Placement of the all-weather access road will begin in February.

Carrollton Project All levee enlargement work in Orleans Parish is complete, but several issues raised by the OLD during a final inspection last summer are still not resolved with the Corps. A second “final” inspection was held on Sept. 2, 2015, and punch list items were prepared. The Corps issued the NCC on Sept. 29, 2015, without any concurrence on the outstanding issues. Recently, Corps officials have asked us about the status of the outstanding issues. We anticipate meeting with them on site to attempt to reach final resolution.

Internal Affairs

Surge Analysis Update We continue to discuss internally and with others in the coastal science community the best path forward to accomplish a Hurricane Surge Analysis update over the next several years. The newly formed Maurepas-

Pontchartrain Surge Consortium is also showing significant interest in the surge update, and we are meeting with the group monthly.

Non-Federal Levee Certification Plans and specifications for both phases of the levee realignment near the Violet Canal are complete. Our consultants are nearly finished with real estate acquisitions for the new levee footprint. The Benefit/Cost Analysis necessary for securing hazard mitigation grant funds was completed this week by our consultant and submitted to GOHSEP for their review.

The Phase I (soap factory) Coastal Use Permit (CUP) was approved by the parish on April 7, 2015, and the Phase II (shrimp factory) CUP was approved in July.

After a three year review process, the Maxent and Forty-Arpent non-federal levee systems were accepted into the Corps' Rehabilitation Program on Oct. 7, 2015, making them eligible for federal funds for repair of damages due to a flood event.

Asset Management An item is on today's agenda to issue a Task Order under our ID/IQ Contract with Moffat and Nichols to develop the software and data base necessary to effectively schedule and track operation and maintenance activities on our Complex Structures.

Levee Inspection Tool The SLFPA-W hired JBM Technologies, LLC to develop a new computer application for levee inspections and offered the application to SLFPA-E free of charge. After reviewing its capabilities, we began the process of implementing this application. Last September, the EJLD was the first SLFPA-E levee district to begin using this application. The LBBLD received classroom training in early October and field inspection training on the Mississippi River Levee System a month later. Most recently, the first training session for OLD was held Nov. 12.

Emergency Preparedness The River is now around elevation 4.0', and the National Weather Service predicts it will drop to near 3' by early December.

Complex Structures The bridge at the Bayou Bienvenue Lift Gate in the surge barrier has been repaired. A distress report was submitted to CPRA and the Corps, and we are awaiting a response.

Tidal Gage Network The Corps has submitted three right-of-entry requests for hardened tide gage station sites at Delacroix, Breakwater Park and Chef Menteur, one in each of our levee districts. The CPRA is preparing the Authorization for Entry (AFE) documents and checking property ownerships; we are awaiting project plans and specifications before issuing the AFE.

A site meeting was held in October with NOAA's consultant and one of our ID/IQ contractors to look at designing and installing a hardened site at the Surge Barrier.

Periodic Inspection Reports Representatives of SLFPA-E and its three levee districts met with the Corps in December to review the previous USACE Periodic Inspections (PI). The PI's are performed to verify continued and appropriate operation and maintenance, to evaluate the stability of structures and to compare constructed criteria to current criteria. The first PIs were conducted between February 2010 and January 2014 on all MR&T and HSDRRS projects. The executive directors of our levee districts reviewed their individual portions of the overall PI, and each prepared a list of items that needs to be addressed. A follow-up meeting was held with the Corps and CPRA in February to review responses to the PI, and the resolution process continues.

All unacceptable PI items have been field-verified and photographed. A list and course of action for all remaining minimally acceptable and unacceptable items is being finalized and will be submitted to the Corps in early December. This work is ongoing, and a meeting was held with the CPRA to begin formulation of an official response to the Corps.

Risk Assessment The Risk Assessment Project was awarded to Tetra Tech Inc. with a scope of work that includes a Probabilistic Performance Analysis for the Lake Borgne Surge Barrier, the Seabrook Complex and gates, and Sector Gates at Bayou St. John, Bayou Bienvenue, Bayou Dupre and Caernarvon. The analysis will identify and address the possible risk of failure or breakdown of any mechanical system within these structures that could cause flooding in parts of Orleans, Jefferson and St. Bernard parishes. The results of this work will help to inform Operation and Maintenance Plans for the structures. The preliminary kick-off meeting with the Districts was held Sept. 9, and information requested by Tetra Tech is being collected by OLD and LBBLD. A workshop with local agencies is scheduled for Dec. 9-10 to discuss Hazard Operations Procedures.

Semi Annual Report The latest SAR from SLFPA-E was submitted on Oct. 15, 2015, to the CPRA. CPRA combined our SAR with those submitted by the other agencies that operate and maintain components of the LPV-HSDRRS, and submitted the combined SAR to the Corps before the Oct. 31 deadline.

Capital Outlay Program Requests for 2016

All three levee district requests were submitted to the State before the Nov. 1 deadline.

Meetings and Items of Note:

The Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority Board will meet Dec. 16th at 10:00 a.m. at the La Salle Building in Baton Rouge.

The Governor's Advisory Commission is scheduled to meet Dec. 2nd at 10 a.m. in the Port of New Orleans.

New Contracts:

Construction Projects:

Project	District	Status	Comments
Seawall Steps Erosion Reach 4&5	OLD	99% complete	Final Punch List items remaining.
Seawall Steps Erosion Reach 2B	OLD	99% complete	Final Punch List items remaining.
MRT Aluminum Stop Logs	OLD	10% complete	Long-lead items to arrive November 2015; Notice to Proceed (NTP) issued late 3Q 2015
Citrus Lakefront Levee Slope Paving	OLD	80% complete	Last phase being completed at Bullard Avenue
Seawall Steps Erosion Phase 1 (Reach 1A/3B)	OLD	20% complete	
New Orleans Lakefront Airport SLFPAE Build Out	OLD	80% complete	
Fill Michoud Levee Pit (3)	OLD	70% complete	
Bayou Bienvenue Sector Gate Flood-Side Fender Pile Clusters	OLD	Complete	Gills Crane
Seawall Slope Erosion	OLD	20% complete	
Replace London Avenue Floodgate Hinges	OLD	Complete	Dixie Marine
Repair Floodgate M-8's Overhead Beam (NOTE: re-damaged on 11/11/15)	OLD	Complete	Gills Crane
French Quarter Miss. River Floodwall Vegetation Removal	OLD	5% complete	Just starting

Levee District Project Designs and Studies

Project	District	Comments
Outfall Canals Erosion	OLD	Study complete; design 90% complete; Corps requested stability and hydraulic analysis by CH2M
Lakefront Seawall Area Reach , 4&5	OLD	Design complete; construction administration 99%
Lakefront Seawall Area Reach 2B	OLD	Design complete; construction administration 99% complete
Citrus Lakefront Levee Slope Paving at Intersections	OLD	Survey complete; design complete; construction administration and inspection 80% complete
Lakefront Levee Drainage Improvement East of UNO Ramp	OLD	Proposal under review
Citrus Lakefront Levee Railroad Drainage Study	OLD	Investigation complete; design 90% complete and P&S in review
Lakefront Seawall Area Phase 1	OLD	Construction, administration and inspection 20% complete
MRT Aluminum Stop Logs	OLD	Construction, administration inspection 10% complete
Bayou Bienvenue/Bayou St. John O&M Manuals	OLD	BSJSG 90% complete; draft report is in BB 50% complete
Police Administration Building	OLD	Site Study complete, pending Board authorization
Cap Michoud Valve Pits (2)	OLD	P&S 10% complete (URS)
Seabrook Internal Tower Modifications	OLD	10% complete (BKI) Need to address condensation and size AC unit
MRT Floodgate Painting	OLD	Design complete & construction administration 60% complete; reviewed P&S
Phase 1 for engine upgrades at Pump Stations	LBBLD	Phase 2 funding is approved, awaiting EPA determination on tier rating; prepared to advertise
Phase 1 for Safe Room Design HMGP approved by FEMA	LBBLD	Currently being advertised; bib opening 11/10/15
Pump Station #6 pump repair and hangers at P.S. #7	LBBLD	P&S complete; preparing to advertise
Pump Station #6 Erosion Repair	LBBLD	P&S complete; preparing to advertise
Safe house & Consolidated Facility	EJLD	Updated needs analysis underway; estimated completion Nov. 19