



Association of Levee Boards of Louisiana

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MINUTES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MAY 3, 2024

Vice President Drew Keahey called to order the Association of Levee Boards of Louisiana’s (ALBL) Executive Committee Meeting at 09:00 a.m., Friday, May 3, 2024, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Seventeen (17) member agency attendees were present at the Workshop which constituted a quorum.

Motion by Ms. Chandler, seconded by Mr. Henry to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2024 Executive Committee Meeting. Motion passed without opposition.

The Financial Report was given by Ms. Gorman who updated the budget from the last Executive Committee Meeting. The following balances formed the working capital of the ALBL: checking account \$254,341.41; savings account \$70,816.88; and litigation savings account \$15,907.80. Motion by Ms. Hidalgo, seconded by Mr. Waggoner to accept the financial statement. Motion passed without opposition.

At the suggestion of Ms. Hidalgo, Ms. Gorman will research the Association participating in Louisiana Asset Management Pool.

Mr. Kirkpatrick introduced Mr. Clay Parker who is the special counsel for the Governor’s Office of Coastal Activities. He has been tasked with managing the re-organization of the Department of Energy and Natural Resources as well as the investigation into all boards and commissions across the State, which includes levee boards.

He advised that they are in the beginning stages and that a newly creating natural resources will hold a public meeting on June 18 at 9am at the LaSalle Building to present their plans.

Mr. Parker stated that meetings will be held with stakeholders and he encouraged everyone to get involved and. Mr. Kirkpatrick will get together a group and have an initial meeting to discuss.

Mr. Scott Kirkpatrick gave the Legislative Committee report and highlighted HB 806 which is not directly applicable but is a reduction in the CPRA board and HB 810 which is the reorganization bill of DENR which is scheduled to be heard in the Senate soon.

Senate Bill 462 is of particular interest as it would allow the governor to appoint the chairman, as well as all other officers to boards and commissions across the state.

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Mr. Kirkpatrick will continue to work with the legislative committee and follow all of these bills and keep the Association updated.

There was no Old Business.

Under New Business, Ms. Hidalgo extended an invitation to all members to come and tour the Terrebonne Levee District. She will get something together and Ms. White will send an email to let everyone know the date and time.

Mr. Galloway extended the same invitation on behalf of Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection – West.

Motion by Mr. Bourgeois, seconded by Ms. Hidalgo for a unanimous second to adjourn. Motion passed without opposition.