

MINUTES

SOUTH CENTRAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Thursday, January 17, 2013

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for South Central Planning & Development Commission was called to order at approximately 10:45 a.m. on Thursday, January 17, 2013 at Ellendale Country Club in Houma, LA.

Vice-Chairman St. Pierre called the meeting to order and led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present or represented by proxy were: E. Watson representing M. Triche, J. Naquin, W. Reed, M. Atzhenoffer, E. Price representing T. Eschete, V. J. St. Pierre, E. Alexander, W. Benedetto, N. Robottom, R. Noel, L. Mitchell, H. Hardy, R. Mitchell representing T. Roussel, P. Gordon representing M. Claudet, A. Williams, J. Rogers, L. Charles, M. Marmande, Jr., and A. Badeaux, Jr.

Members absent were: R. Animashaun, C. Randolph, A. Archer, P. Champagne, J. Bouziga, Ken Brass, M. Guillot, Jr., T. Borne, and R. Scott. Staff members present were K. Belanger, J. Boudreaux, C. Curole, J. Jones, and E. Bergeron.

Guests in attendance were: T. Dupre of Meyer Engineers, M. Vince, and G. Cvadra of LDEQ Air Permits, B. Boe of St. Charles Parish Government, D. Bourg of Terrebonne Parish Government, D. Telford and M. Pellegrin of Bourgeois-Bennett., R. Stesney, J. Weatherspoon, and R. Matherne of Progressive Environmental Solutions.

First item on the agenda was the acceptance of minutes of October 18, 2012 regular meeting. It was motioned by W. Benedetto, seconded by A. Williams to accept minutes of the October 18, 2012 regular meeting. There being no objections motion carried.

Next on the agenda was the acceptance of Management Committee Minutes of January 11, 2013. It was motioned by A. Williams, seconded by E. Alexander to accept minutes of the Management Committee Meeting of January 11, 2013. There being no objections motion carried.

The third item on the agenda was the Election of 2013 Officers.

It was motioned by E. Alexander, seconded by A. Williams to open nominations of Chairman by nominating VJ St. Pierre as Chairman of SCPDC's Board of Commissioners. It was then motioned by A. Williams, seconded by W. Reed to close nominations. There being no objections motion carried. VJ St. Pierre was elected as Chairman for SCPDC's Board of Commissioners.

It was motioned by P. Gordon, seconded by M. Marmande, Jr. to open nominations of Vice-Chairman by nominating A. Williams as Vice-Chairman of SCPDC's Board of Commissioners. It was then motioned by W. Benedetto, seconded by E. Alexander to close nominations. There being no objections motion carried. A. Williams was elected as Vice-Chairman of SCPDC's Board of Commissioners.

It was motioned by A. Williams, seconded by P. Gordon to open nominations of Secretary by nominating E. Alexander as Secretary of SCPDC's Board of Commissioners. It was then motioned by W. Benedetto, seconded by L. Charles to close nominations. There being no objections motion carried. E. Alexander was elected as Secretary of SCPDC's Board of Commissioners.

It was motioned by A. Williams, seconded by W. Benedetto to open nominations of Treasurer by nominating A. Badeaux, Jr. as Treasurer of SCPDC's Board of Commissioners. It was then motioned by W. Benedetto, seconded by A. Williams to close nominations of Treasurer. There being no objections motion carried. A. Badeaux, Jr. was elected Treasurer of SCPDC's Board of Commissioners.

Next on the agenda was the review and approval of Financial Statement ending December 31, 2013. K. Belanger briefed the board on the Financial Statement. It was motioned by P. Gordon, seconded by E. Alexander to approve the Financial Statement ending December 31, 2013. There being no objections motion carried.

Item five on the agenda was the review and approval of the FY12 Audit. K. Belanger introduced D. Telford of Bourgeois-Bennett to the Board of Commissioners, who then briefed the Board of Commissioners on the FY12. D. Telford stated there were no significant findings. It was motioned by J. Naquin, seconded by N. Robottom to approve the FY12 Audit. There being no objections motion carried.

Discussion on Planning District #4 was the next item on the agenda. K. Belanger informed the Board of Commissioners of the issues which Planning District #4 has been facing. They have had little work and very few revenue generators. They have been meeting with SCPDC to try to gain insight to new endeavors they may seek.

The seventh item on the agenda was discussion of the Solid Waste Initiative. K. Belanger briefed the Board of Commissioners the history of the Solid Waste Initiative. He explained how difficult it has been for the parishes to solidify under the Solid Waste Authority. Discussion ensued.

It was motioned by A. Williams, seconded by N. Robottom to abolish the Solid Waste Authority and for SCPDC to reimburse the parishes their SWA dues and then to request for the parishes to re-contribute the funds to the Environmental Division SCPDC is developing. There being no objections motion carried.

C. Curole presented an Update on lending portfolios and future programs. He gave an overview of all the Loan Programs which SCPDC administers.

Next on the agenda was the Advanced Ozone Program presentation. K. Belanger introduced M. Vince of the LDEQ. M. Vince gave a brief presentation on what non-

attainment means and the adverse effects the parishes may face if their parish were to fall into non-attainment. K. Belanger then gave a brief presentation on the Ozone Advance Program SCPDC is seeking to develop. He explained the purpose of the program which is to coordinate proactive efforts to reduce emissions and avoid non-attainment of the ozone and how it will develop. Discussion ensued.

It was motioned by M. Marmande, Jr., seconded by E. Alexander authorizing K. Belanger to go in front of each Parish council requesting \$15,000 to commit 3 years for the development of SCPDC's Ozone Advance Program. There being no objections motioned carried.

Item eleven on the agenda was the Corporate Sponsor, Progressive Environmental Solutions. Chairman St. Pierre introduced R. Stesney to the Board of Commissioners. R. Stesney informed the Board of the services available by Progressive Environmental Solutions.

Next on the agenda was the Agency Activity Report. Everyone agreed to read it at their leisure.

Next meeting date has been set for Thursday, April 18, 2013 location in Assumption Parish yet to be determined. There being no other business to discuss, it was motioned by W. Benedetto, seconded by all to adjourn. Motion carried.

As duly authorized officers of South Central Planning and Development Commission, Board of Commissioners, we do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is the official version of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Commissioners held on January 17, 2013.

VJ St. Pierre, Chairman
South Central Planning & Development Commission

Ellis Alexander, Secretary
South Central Planning & Development Commission