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, October 18, 2012 at Belle Terre Country Club in LaPlace, LA.

Vice-Chairman St. Pierre called the meeting to order and requested Captain Mangas of the US Army Special Forces to lead the forum in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.


Members absent were J. Naquin, R. Animashaun, C. Randolph, A. Archer, P. Champagne, J. Bouziga, R. Noel, Ken Brass, M. Guillot, Jr., R. Scott, L. Charles, M. Marmande, Jr., and A. Badeaux, Jr. Staff members present were K. Belanger, J. Boudreaux, and E. Bergeron.

Guests in attendance were: R. Meyer, T. Dupre, D. Dupre of Meyer Engineers, A. Wills of LA DOTD, J. Zeringue of CPRA, and Capt. J. Mangas of the US Army Special Forces.

First item on the agenda was the acceptance of minutes of June 14, 2012 regular meeting. It was motioned by W. Bendetto, seconded by J. Rogers to accept minutes of the June 14, 2012 regular meeting. There being no objections motion carried.

Next on the agenda was the review and approval of the Unaudited Financial Statement ending June 30, 2012. K. Belanger briefed the Commissioners on the Unaudited Financial Statement ending June 30, 2012. Discussion ensued. It was motioned by P. Gordon, seconded by W. Bendetto to approve the Unaudited Financial Statement ending June 30, 2012. Motion carried.

The Review and Approval of the Financial Statement ending September 30, 2012 was the third item on the agenda. K. Belanger briefed the Commissioners on the Financial Statement ending September 30, 2012. Discussion ensued. It was motioned by E. Alexander, seconded by W. Reed to approve the Financial Statement ending September 30, 2012. Motion carried.

Item four on the agenda was Local Public Assistance (LPA) Qualification of Core Training Program given by A. Wills of LA DOTD. She explained that the LPA program is being given to assist parishes with accessing the benefits and fully understanding the requirements of using state and federal transportation fund for their transportation projects. A Core Training will be held in Houma at SCPDC’s office on October 30, 2012.
Next on the agenda was the presentation of the Core Master Plan given by J. Zeringue of LA CPRA. He briefed the forum on the goals of the Coastal Master Plan which is protection and restoration. Discussion ensued.

Item six on the agenda was Updates. K. Belanger updated the forum on the building expansion. Plans for the building extension are in the final stages of review.

Item seven on the agenda was the Corporate Sponsor, Meyer Engineers, Ltd. Vice-Chairman St. Pierre introduced R. Meyer to the forum. R. Meyer informed the forum of the services available by Meyer Engineers, Ltd: Structural, Civil, Environmental, Architectural, Construction Management, and Municipality/Parish Services.

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

Under Other Business the 2013 meeting dates were reviewed. Also, Capt. Mangas spoke briefly of a JRTC training which took place in both Terrebonne and Lafourche parishes. He thanked the parishes for their participation.

Next meeting date has been set for Thursday, January 17, 2013 location in Terrebonne Parish yet to be determined. There being no other business to discuss, it was motioned by N. Robottom, seconded by P. Gordon 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 October 18, 2012.

Michel Claudet, Chairman
South Central Planning & Development Commission

Ellis Alexander, Secretary
South Central Planning & Development Commission