

MINUTES

SOUTH CENTRAL PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, January 21st, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for South Central Planning & Development Commission was called to order at approximately 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, October 15th, 2020 at the SCPDC in Houma, LA.

Chairman Naquin called the meeting to order then A. Chaisson led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present or represented by teleconference and/or proxy were: J. Naquin, W. Reed, M. Arceneaux representing R. Animashaun, A. Chaisson, M. Atzenhoffer, J. Thibodaux representing T. Eschete, E. Alexander, C "Bub" Millet, P. Dufresne, S. Nosacka, P. St. Pierre, D. Firmin representing J. Hotard, Dr. H. Hardy, D. Arthur, E. Foulcard, R. Grogan, C. Pulaski representing G. Dove, L. Charles, M. Larussa, D. Prevost, and A. Williams.

Staff members present were: K. Belanger, J. Foret, and E. Bergeron.

Members absent were: J. Jones, J. Bouziga, E. Reinhardt, M. Jewel, M. Bellock, C. Monica, D. Hanagriff, and B. Hebert.

Guests present online/in person: R. Webre of St. James Parish Government, H. Lagrange of St. Mary Parish Government, T. Fenton and K. Tregle of Bourgeois Bennett, A. Arceneaux of NSU, and M. McClean of FCC.

The first item on the agenda was the Review and Acceptance of minutes of October 15th, 2020 Regular Meeting. ***It was motioned by D. Arthur, seconded by S. Nosacka to accept minutes of October 15th, 2020 Regular Meeting. There being no objections motion carried.***

Next item was the Acceptance of Management Committee Minutes of January 21st, 2021. ***It was motioned by A. Chaisson, seconded by R. Grogan to accept minutes of January 21st, 2021 Management Committee Meeting. There being no objections motion carried.***

Election of Officers was the third item on the Agenda. Chairman Naquin opened the floor to receive nominations for Chairman of SCPDC's Board of Commissioners. ***It was motioned by S. Nosacka, seconded by R. Grogan for SCPDC Board of Commissioners Officers to continue with the current officers: J. Naquin as Chairman, D. Hanagriff as Vice-Chairman, A. Chaisson as Secretary, and S. Nosacka as Treasurer. There being no other nominations or objections motion carried.***

Review and Approval of the Financial Statement ending December 31st, 2020 was the next item for discussion. K. Belanger reviewed and explained the Financial Statement ending December 31st, 2020. He relayed the ending fund balance to date was \$36,465,157.87. ***It was motioned by A. Chaisson, seconded by P. St. Pierre to approve the Financial Statement ending December 31st, 2020. There being no objections, motion carried.***

Fifth item on the Agenda was the Review & Approval of FY20 Audit. Chairman Naquin introduced K. Tregle and T. Fenton of Bourgeois Bennet. K. Tregle relayed there weren't any significant changes from the FY19 Audit and FY20's Audit. New Gatsby's will be implemented in the future; however, due to the recent pandemic those Gatsby's are being delayed. The FY20 Audit found the Commission had complied in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each of the major federal programs. The Audit did not identify deficiencies in internal control over compliance that would be consider material weaknesses

It was motioned by M. Atzenhoffer, seconded by S. Nosacka to accept the FY20 Audit as presented. There being no objections motion carried.

Next on the agenda for discussion was the North/South Corridor Realignment. K. Belanger explained St. James Parish Government has requested LADOTD modify the last two miles of the proposed alignment for the North/South Corridor. Included within the meeting packet was a copy of St. James Parish Government's request to LADOTD. Discussion ensued. ***It was motioned by M. Atzenhoffer, seconded by S. Nosacka for SCPDC to write a letter to the Secretary of LADOTD in support of St. James requested modification of the proposed alignment for the North/South Corridor. There being no objections, motion carried.***

K. Belanger relayed administration was seeking an Attorney General's Opinion in regards to a private entity's interest in the MGO software. An Illinois private interest has approached SCPDC to license the MGO software suite on behalf of the public entities they will be servicing for code enforcement. Concerns have been raised and SCPDC's attorney has suggested a request for opinion be made to the Louisiana Attorney General. Included within the meeting packet was a copy of the letter for Commissioner's to review. M. Atzenhoffer suggested the removal of the word "sell" in the last paragraph. Discussion ensued. ***It was then motioned by A. Chaisson, seconded by R. Grogan for SCPDC Attorney to submit a letter as revised requesting the Louisiana Attorney General's opinion. There being no objections motion carried.***

Agenda item eight was the Resolution declaring various equipment as surplus property and authorizing the CEO to appropriately dispose of said equipment and setting the minimum acceptable bid for the sale of equipment declared as surplus. ***It was motioned by M. Atzenhoffer, seconded by S. Nosacka to accept the resolution declaring various equipment as surplus property and authorizing the CEO to appropriately dispose of said equipment and setting the minimum acceptable bid for the sale of equipment declared as surplus. There being no objections motion carried.***

Chairman Naquin stated that the SCPDC Newsletter had been provided in the meeting packets for all to read at their leisure. Also, it has been emailed to all Commissioner's.

Under Other Business, K. Belanger gave a brief update on construction of the new storage facility. Construction is underway and is on time and under budget. Completion of warehouse is expected in the next 6 months. A. Chaisson relayed the Management Committee discussed the sale of the Gloria Switch Building located in Lafayette, LA to the Acadiana Planning Commission (APC). Discussion ensued. ***It was then motioned by A. Chaisson, seconded by M. Atzenhoffer for SCPDC to enter into discussion with APC Executive Board the sale of the building located on Gloria Switch Road in Lafayette, LA. There being no objections motion carried.***

Next meeting date has been set for Thursday, April 15th, 2021 in Terrebonne Parish, location to be determined.

There being no other business to discuss, ***it was unanimously motioned to adjourn the meeting.***

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 21st, 2021.

Jeff Naquin, Chairman
South Central Planning & Development Commission

Archie Chaisson, Secretary
South Central Planning & Development Commission