

MINUTES

SOUTH CENTRAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Thursday, June 12, 2008

Prior to the start of the board meeting a public hearing was held on the 2009 budget. The public hearing was opened and no comments were received. It was moved by M. Atzenhoffer, seconded by C. Fauchaux to close the public hearing. Motion carried.

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for South Central Planning and Development Commission was called to order at approximately 10:45 a.m. on Thursday, June 12, 2008, at Ellendale Country Club, Houma, Louisiana.

Chairman D. Hymel called the meeting to order and requested roll call. Members present or represented by proxy were C. Fauchaux representing V.J. St. Pierre, P. Gordon representing K. Ghirardi, S. Streams representing M. Triche, C. Lefort representing J. Bouziga, R. Animashaun, C. Randolph, M. Atzenhoffer, C. Caillouet, R. Champagne, A. Tregre, D. Hymel, M. Claudet, and A. Williams. Members absent were C. James, W. Reed, B. Raymond, Sr., D. Vial, W. Hubbard, K. Brass, H. Bourgeois, and R. Scott. Staff members present were K. Belanger, J. Boudreaux, and E. Bergeron. Guests in attendance were: A. Perry of Louisiana Economic Development and B. Lafont of the City of Thibodaux.

K. Belanger welcomed and introduced guest to the forum.

It was moved by M. Atzenhoffer, seconded by M. Claudet to approve the minutes of May 1, 2008. Motion carried.

Chairman Hymel introduced the second item on the agenda for discussion: the Ratification of Management Committee Minutes of May 23, 2008. Chairman Hymel briefed the forum on the topics discussed at said meeting. A flow chart of SCP&DC's staff was given to each committee member. K. Belanger then gave a brief overview of the breakdown of SCP&DC's ever growing flow chart. It was moved by C. Fauchaux, seconded by A. Williams to ratify the minutes of May 23, 2008. Motion carried.

Third item on agenda for discussion was the review and approval of the financial statement ending April 30, 2008. K. Belanger explained the financial statement to the committee. He assured the committee of a fair and modest surplus. It was moved by C. Randolph, seconded by C. Caillouet to approve the financial statement ending April 30, 2008.

Review and approval of FY 2009 proposed budget was the fourth item on the agenda for discussion. K. Belanger gave an overview of the FY 2009 proposed budget. Discussion ensued on the topic of a cost-of-living raise for SCPD&C's employees. M. Claudet moved to amend/adjust the salaries for the FY 2009 proposed budget by removing the 4% cost-of-living raise and utilizing only the 5% merit increase contingent on individual employee's evaluations, seconded by M. Atzenhoffer. Motion carried.

The fifth item on agenda for discussion was the acceptance of Official Journal for FY 2009, servicing SCP&DC from July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009. B. Lafont suggested posting public notices on SCP&DC's website as well. It was moved by M. Claudet, seconded by P. Gordon to accept the Daily Comet as SCP&DC's Official Journal for period beginning July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009. M. Atzenhoffer was the only committee member to object. Motion carried.

Under other business, K. Belanger spoke to the committee about future agenda topics: an employee travel policy adjustment, a succession plan, re-examine membership policy, and the Management Committee will meet in July to review financial statements ending June 30, 2008.

There being no other business to discuss, it was moved by M. Atzenhoffer, seconded by M. Claudet 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 June 12, 2008.

Dale J. Hymel, Chairman
South Central Planning & Development Commission

Mark Atzenhoffer, Secretary/Treasurer
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