

**St. Tammany Levee, Drainage, and Conservation District Board Meeting**

**Wednesday, April 15, 2015 - 6:00 pm**

**Council Chambers-Koop Drive-Mandeville, Louisiana**

- I. Rykert Toledano, Interim Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
- II. Roll call by Beth Warren, STP CAO Office. Present: Fitzpatrick, DiFranco, Toledano, Sandoz, Hutchison, Phillippi, McGovern. Absent: LaSalle, Faust.
- III. Motion to approve March 18, 2015 minutes made by Sandoz, seconded by McGovern. Unanimously approved.
- IV. Discussion of Strategic Plan prepared by Hutchison, Phillippi, DiFranco, Sandoz.
- V. Discussion of Vision and Mission Statements-Draft 2 dated March 11, 2015. Sandoz moved to adopt the Mission Statement, seconded by Phillippi. Unanimously approved. Hutchison moved to adopt the Vision Statement, seconded by Sandoz. Unanimously approved.
- VI. Discussion of Goal 2-Budget. Gina Campo, STP CAO, indicated that the Parish is seeking seed money for STLDCD from CPRA funds allotted to South Slidell Levee Segments 6 and 7. Campo stated that the STLDCD will need to come up with a budget to attach to the CEA with CPRA. McGovern moved to create a preliminary operating budget, seconded by Sandoz. Sandoz moved to amend McGovern's motion to have the budget reflect needs and not take into account potential funding sources. Hutchison seconded. The Board agreed to complete the budget within two months.
- VII. Sandoz moved to adopt Goal 5-Strategy 1. Seconded by Hutchison. Unanimously approved.

- VIII. Discussion of Goal 3. Hutchison moved to adopt, seconded by Sandoz. DiFranco moved to amend to add two month time limit, seconded by McGovern. Fitzpatrick, Toledano, DiFranco, Phillippi, McGovern voted in favor of amending Hutchison's motion.
- Unanimously approved.
- IX. Hutchison and Fitzpatrick gave a recap of the Pontchartrain-Maurepas Surge Consortium held in Laplace on March 27, 2015.
- X. The Board gave a report on the facilities tour, led by Parish drainage engineer Paul Carroll, which took place in the Slidell area immediately before the meeting.
- XI. Interim Chairman Toledano updated the Board on discussions with Parish President Pat Brister regarding the CPRA funds and other possible grant funding sources.
- XII. Election of interim officers: McGovern nominated Hutchison for Interim Treasurer. Sandoz seconded. Unanimous approval for Hutchison as Interim Treasurer. Sandoz nominated McGovern for Interim Secretary. McGovern declined. Sandoz nominated DiFranco, McGovern seconded. DiFranco nominated Phillippi, Phillippi declined.
- Unanimous approval for DiFranco as Interim Secretary.
- XIII. Work Groups and Committees: Hutchison will head up Budget work group with DiFranco and Sandoz. Technical Research and Currency work group will be led by Fitzpatrick and will include Faust and Phillippi. Administrative Functions work group will be led by Hutchison and include DiFranco and Sandoz. Sandoz requested interim reports from work groups at the next meeting on May 20, 2015.
- XIV. Motion to adjourn made by McGovern, seconded by DiFranco. Unanimous approval.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.