

**St. Tammany Levee,
Drainage and Conservation District (STLD CD)
Board Meeting Minutes**

Date: July 17, 2019

Time: 6:00 P.M.

Location: Parish Council Chambers, 21490 Koop Drive, Mandeville, LA 70471

Welcome, Silent Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order – *Vice-Chairman Faust welcomed members and requested that the secretary call the roll*

Roll Call –

Present: Vice-Chair Faust, Commissioner Krieger, Commissioner LaSalle, Commissioner McGovern, Commissioner Price, Commissioner Philippi

Absent: Chairman DiFranco, Commissioner McHugh, Commissioner Ingram-Hunter

Quorum was met with 6 members present.

Approval of Minutes –

It was moved by Commissioner LaSalle and seconded by Commissioner McGovern to adopt the minutes from the June 19, 2019 STDCD Board meeting. Without objection the minutes were approved unanimously.

New Business –

- A. **Update on Comprehensive STP Coastal Study NSI** - *Don Lancaster with NSI presented an update on the coastal master plan. He indicated the model reports have been submitted to the Parish to review and to fill in additional information. Mr. Lancaster informed the Board that NSI has obtained from CPRA the information on costing for the ring levee project and the individual segments. This information will allow NSI, when performing the GAP analysis and feasibilities on the levee as to how CPRA priced the individual segments. Mr. Lancaster then reported that NSI has received the draft modeling report, which included a total of eight recommendations for the modeling. An update on repetitive loss and severe repetitive loss data from the Parish showed that there is a significant increase in the number of properties, but it is our belief that those will be north of the coastal zone area. NSI has asked the Parish Technology Department to “geo-reference” the data. This will assist NSI, which has the populated data, but does not have the data in “geo-referenced” form. NSI has received the historical wetland loss data from CPRA that will be used for the GAP analysis. NSI has a progress meeting with the Levee Board, Parish and CPRA next week on the conceptual project alternative. NSI has identified approximately sixteen projects, and will identify some more in the GAP analysis. A “white-paper” and a presentation to review those projects with you will be scheduled at a later date. Mr. Lancaster also reported that NSI will be meeting with Mayor Cromer of Slidell regarding the SELA project.*

- B. **Update on Levee District Engineers Review - LHJ** – *Mr. Daniel Bobeck with LHJ reported that they have finished their review of the Draft Task Report 1 and have sent comments to NSL and Chairman DiFranco. LHJ as review Task 2 scope of work report and have no comments.*
- C. **Discussion regarding storm surge modeling for East STP** – *Vice-Chairman Faust asked Mr. Don Lancaster who will be doing the actual storm surge modeling for East St. Tammany Parish. Mr. Lancaster reminded Vice-Chairman Faust that NSI had just received the GAP analysis on the modeling report, and there are eight recommendations for improvements to the model. GEC is working with NSI on this project to address the gaps in the model. NSI would then be in the position to do the model, but it would need a “task” order and they would have to submit a scope and fee schedule to the Parish to do the modeling. Mr. Lancaster also stated that one complication in that modeling is that CPRA is the sponsor and they do not typically go back and do modeling for a condition that use to exist, but does not exist now.*

Treasurer’s Report –

Commissioner Krieger reported that the beginning balance as of May 30, 2019 was \$41,987.74. A reimbursement check for St. Tammany Parish Government in the amount of \$8,011.77 was received bringing the balance to \$49,999.50. There is one outstanding check to LHJ in the amount of \$3,120.00 for review services. The balance ending as of June 30, 2019 is \$46,879.50. The end of the year end reports are also attached to the Treasurer’s report and will submitted to the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as required by state statute. With no questions, a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report was made by Commissioner McGovern, seconded by Commissioner Faust, without objection the motion carried.

July Meeting Date Announcement –

The next meeting of the Levee Board will be on Wednesday, August 21, 2019 in the Parish Council Chambers located at the Towers Building, 520 Old Spanish Trail, Slidell, LA at 6:00 p.m. and was approved by the Board.

Public Comment:

Vice-Chairman Faust opened the floor for public comments.

Adjournment –

Vice-Chairman Faust asked for a motion to adjourn, Commissioner McGovern moved that the Board meeting stand adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Price. Without objection the meeting was adjourned.