

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

Wednesday, August 16, 2017 6:00 pm

Towers Building, Slidell, Louisiana

- I. Henry DiFranco, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Moment of silent prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.
- II. Roll call by Katelyn Costanza, STLDCD Board Secretary. Present: Hutchison, DiFranco, McGovern, Ingram-Hunter, Costanza, McHugh, Phillippi, Faust. (2) Mr. Faust, Mr. Phillippi, absent.
- III. Motion to approve July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 minutes made by Hutchison, seconded by McGovern. Unanimously approved. **Motion passed.**
- IV. Update on Comp. Coastal Protection Study (DiFranco): The Comprehensive Coastal Protection Study for St. Tammany Parish RFQ has been advertised. The STLDCD sent documents for review by CPRA and the Board has given authorization to sign.
- V. Update on Legal Counsel. Discussion of Legal representation. Mr. McGovern has contacted the DA. DA has agreed to provide legal representation. DA will be attorney for the Board for items specified in memo dated June 2016. If a special counsel is needed, we will need to get permission from legal counsel. Mr. DiFranco suggests that Board go through Mr. McGovern if needed to contact the DA or receive special counsel.

- VI. Update on the STLDCD SOW for Linfield, Hunter & Junius (LHJ), Inc. STLDCD Engineering Contract. Mr. DiFranco sent a draft to board and it was approved. The agreement has been sent to the Mr. Menard with the DA for his review. We will possibly have a scope of work for the next meeting. Mr. DiFranco would like to be at least in discussions of a task order for the LHJ's involvement in the Comprehensive Coastal Plan for ST. Tammany Parish.
- VII. Presentation from Mr. Cory Kief from the ALBL. Mr. Hutchison introduced Mr. Kief. House Bill 259-Constitutional Amendment for unfunded levee boards, which STLDCD is one.
- VIII. Appointment of Selection Committee for the St. Tammany Comprehensive Coastal Plan. The board will appoint three members for the selection committee. Recommend that we appoint Mr. Phillippi, Mr. Hutchison, Mr. McHugh. Motion by Mr. McGovern, Seconded by Mrs. Ingram Hunter.
- IX. Treasurer Report - Mr. Hutchison provided the balance sheet. Total assets stand as it was last month.
- X. Mrs. Katelyn Costanza has provided a signup sheet for automatic updates for STLDCD communication.
- XI. Approval of September Meeting: September 20th date is approved.
- XII. Public comment: None.
- XIII. Motion to adjourn made by LaSalle, seconded by Mr. McGovern. Unanimously approved.

**Motion passed.** Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.