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APC Board Meeting

Thursday, March 16, 2023
First National Bank of Louisiana
128 N. Parkerson Ave., Crowley, LA 70526
10:00am – 12:00pm

Meeting Minutes

The Acadiana Planning Commission Board meeting was called to order on Thursday, March 16, 2023, at 10:00 am by Chairman M. Larry Richard.

Present

Iberia Parish M. Larry Richard, Iberia Parish President Lafayette Parish Josh Guillory, Lafayette Parish President Acadia Parish Chance Henry, Police Jury President, APPJ

Evangeline Parish Bryan Vidrine, Police Jury President, EPPJ- Arrived Late

St. Landry Parish Jessie Bellard, St. Landry Parish President St. Martin Parish Chester Cedars, St. Martin parish President

Vermilion Parish Keith Roy for Jason Picard, Police Jury President, VPPJ

One Acadiana Troy Wayman, President/CEO, Ex-Officio

Nancee Sorenson LSUE, Ex-Officio

APC Staff

Monique Boulet CEO for APC

Sara Gary APC Rachel Godeaux APC

Absent

Dr. Joseph Savoie Ex-Officio ULL President

Dr. Vincent June SLCC, Ex-Officio

Minute Approval

A motion was made by Keith Roy to approve in the December 12, 2022, APC Board Meeting Minutes, the January 17, 2023, APC Special Board meeting minutes, and the March 13, 2023, APC Board Management Committee Meeting Minutes in Globo. Jessie Bellard seconded this motion; the motion carried unanimously.

APC Budget to Actuals

The APC Budget to Actuals were presented in the Agenda Packet and acknowledged by the APC Board.

Banking RPF, Bank Selection

Rachel Godeaux stated that APC received 3 banking proposals and that each bank was scored by 4 Committee members, each bank was also given the opportunity to give presentations to APC's scoring committee as part of the process. After the committee reviewed all proposals and all presentation were complete, they made the recommendation to move forward with the First Horizon Proposal.

A motion was made Jessie Bellard to move forward with the Committee Recommendation of First Horizon Bank. Chance Henry seconded this motion; the motion carried unanimously.

A discussion amongst the Board members and Staff takes place on the interest-bearing account.

A motion was made by Chance Henry to accept the Resolution for an interest-Bearing Account. Seconded by Jessie Bellard; the motion carried unanimously.

CEO REPORT

Nothing to report out.

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Rachel Godeaux lets the Board know that APC received 3 proposals from firms on the Gage RFP. Rachael gives a brief history of the project and how it has gotten to this point. She goes over the selection committee and the scoring matrix that the proposals were scored on. She also took explained to the Board the environmental process that the staff has gone thru for each gage location. After discussion between the Bard and Staff a recommendation was made to table the selection of a consultant for the Gage Project until more information can be provided by legal counsel.

A motion was made by Chester Cedars to table the Gage EFP, Consultant Firm Selection until a legal option can be given. Seconded by Jessie Bellard; the motion carried unanimously.

HMGP Supplemental Funding Request

Racheal updates the Board on the request made by Vermilion Parish for use of the de-obligated HMGP funds to cove the cost overrun on the LA 14 project.

A motion was made by Chester Cedars to grant Vermilion Parishes request for additional funds for the LA 14 project. Seconded by Jessie Bellard; the motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Chester Cedars to table the Regional Gage funding request. Seconded by Chance Henry; the motion carried unanimously.

Acadian Watershed District Update

Rachael Godeaux give an update on the Legislative Process for the Acadiana Watershed District.

Transportation Report

Sara Gary gave an update on the Safe Streets for all Users Grant (SS4A), letting the Board know that APC was awarded the grant to create an Action Plan for the Seven Parish Region.

Other Business

A discussion was had between the Board and APC Staff about the need to hire a general council attorney to handle APC issues on an as needed bases.

A Public Comment Period was made available, and no public comment was presented.

Motion was made by Chester Cedars to Adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Chance Henry; the motion carried unanimously.

APC Board 2022 Meeting Dates:
Q2: Thursday, May 25, 2023, Lafayette Parish
Q3: Thursday, August 24,2023 Evangeline Parish
Q4: Thursday, December 14, 2023, St. Landry Parish