



Ironton and Southeast Louisiana Committee Meeting

Wednesday, November 15, 2023 at 5:00 PM

Belle Chasse Auditorium

8398 HWY 23

Belle Chasse, LA 70037

Agenda

I. CALL TO ORDER

- Mr. Lezina

II. ATTENDANCE

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| • Mr. Lezina (CPRA) | Present |
| • Mr. Davidson (Tallgrass) | Present |
| • Ms. Salvant | Present |
| • Ms. Irons | Present |
| • Mr. Jason III | Present |
| • Mr. Davis | Absent |
| • Mr. Declouet | Present |
| • Pastor Johnson | Absent |
| • Ms. Folse (Port) | Present |
| • President Hinkley | Absent |

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- Motion – Ms. Salvant
- Second – Mr. Davidson

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- Motion – Ms. Irons
- Second – Mr. Declout

V. UPDATE ON INTAKE FORM RESULTS

- Only 15 completed and returned as of now
- Please return intake forms; there are more for the group to take
- Board to send email out to contact list and have printed versions dispersed
- It would be helpful to the board to have the intake results as comprehensive as possible so we can create the most competitive environment.



VI. ONBOARDED CONTRACTOR INTRODUCTION

- Mr. Lezina: Bringing on more team members who will handle the day to day of the project as it gets busier. We want to avoid getting in the way of the HMGP funding and want to maximize the potential of the program. Royal will help us do that.
- Ms. Salvant: Asked how this may impact HMGP funding?
- Mr. Lezina: One of the things the contractors will make sure of is that there is no impact to the HMGP funds and that those can be used in addition to these recovery funds. This will help cut through red tape – we are usually fighting for funding, but with this program the funding is already in place.
- Royal: We work on permitting and can work with Parish Government to move this program forward. We are familiar with the area and its needs and are looking forward to helping this community recover and be viable into the future.

VII. BOARD DISCUSSION ON NEXT STEPS

- Royal: Starting to get in contact with the people who have not filled out the survey. Royal will be active in the community taking information from people and gathering more about the existing infrastructure of the community.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Comment: If you have your ducks in a row, they are approving permits for elevation. You can't bring your home until there is someone to elevate it, but if you have all your information ready, they are allowing new homes to be brought in and elevated.
- Comment: Neighbors are being pushed out of the travel trailers, seeing people living in travel trailers in the community, Most travel trailers issues by GOHSEP. Parish president concerned about infrastructure, not as concerned about the people who have always been there. Need to begin showing up to the council meetings.
- Comment: The board needs to print the names of people who have and have not submitted the intake forms. Use the entire contact list and have people ask their neighbors to submit theirs if they have not yet.

IX. ADJOURN

- Motion – Ms. Salvant
- Second – Mr. Declout