

**MINUTES OF THE GRAND ISLE INDEPENDENT
LEVEE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2015
11:00 A.M.**

The Grand Isle Independent Levee District met on Friday, February 13, 2015, at 11:00 a.m. in a regular meeting at the Grand Isle Multiplex Center with the following commissioners:

Present: 3 Commissioners – David Camardelle, Kelly Besson, Sr. and Arthur Bellanger

Absent: 0

President Camardelle called the meeting to order and then led with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a prayer.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bellanger, seconded by Commissioner Bellanger and unanimously agreed to amend the agenda adding 8B. Mr. Drew Gruhlkey – extending pier and adding boat dock on Caminada Bay.

A motion was made by Commissioner Besson, seconded by Commissioner Bellanger and unanimously agreed to approve the minutes of the meeting held on January 30, 2015 as read.

Mr. Dustin Malbrough from CBI gave the following report: 1. The Corps permit for Fifi Island should be received by the end of next week. Once the permit is received the levee board and CPRA will get the plans and specs for review to go out to bid. 2. The Bayside Breakwater Protection Project has gone through the public notice and adjustments were made to accommodate the reviews. The alignment had to be moved slightly due to existing pipelines in the area. 3. The quarterly levee inspection is due at the end of March. This inspection will help the levee board with FEMA if the need arises and will help keep the existing levees and rocks maintained to help with severe tidal and weather conditions.

President Camardelle stated that he went to Washington DC at the end of January and met Senator Cassidy, Senator Vitter, Representative Graves and Representative Scalise. Mr. Camardelle stated the board will meet with them again during the March trip with the Lower Mississippi Valley Flood Control Association annual meetings. Mr. Camardelle states that it is important if you want money to fund your projects to meet personally with your Louisiana Delegation. He also thanked CBI for making the pamphlets that show the projects because he gives them to the Congressmen to see each projects updates.

President Camardelle thanked Senator Alario, Representative Gisclair, CPRA, the Governor's Office, DOTD and the levee board commissioners for working closely on the Fifi Island Rock Breakwater Project. This levee board is unique in that we have to first put rock breakwaters to help with storms and later build sand levees on the island. All other levee boards can drink coffee and watch the grass grow and be done with their levee protection, while we have to watch the tide movement to help protect Grand Isle first and then build levees.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bellanger, seconded by Commissioner Besson and unanimously agreed to approve the expenses associated with operating the levee board.

A joint motion was made by the commissioners to issue a letter of no objection to Mr. Drew Gruhlkey to add to his pier and build a boat shed on Caminada Bay. This motion applies only if Mr. Gruhlkey has all his necessary permits from the Corps, State and local agencies.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bellanger, seconded by Commissioner Besson and unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

ATTESTED:

David Camardelle, President/Director
Grand Isle Independent Levee District

Patricia Bellanger, Secretary
Grand Isle Independent Levee District