

IBERIA PARISH LEVEE, HURRICANE,  
AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEETING SPECIAL MINUTES

DATE: Monday, March 6, 2017

TIME: Twelve (12:00) O'Clock P. M.

ATTENDANCE: James Stein, Patrick Broussard, James Landry, and  
Ronald Gonsoulin, Scott Ransonet, Benson  
Langlinais, Lauren Brown, and Edwin Leblanc.

ABSENT: Roy Pontiff.

OTHERS: Executive Director Ray Fremin, and Julie Rosenzweig.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman James Stein called the meeting to order.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. James Landry, seconded by Mr. Ronald Gonsoulin, that the Iberia Parish Levee, Hurricane, and Conservation District does hereby approve the February 2, 2017 minutes as published.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: James Stein, Patrick Broussard, James Landry, and  
Ronald Gonsoulin, Scott Ransonet, and Edwin Leblanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Benson Langlinais, Lauren Brown, and Roy Pontiff.

And the motion was therefore passed on this 6th day of March, 2017.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS

None.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED

(Comments accepted from the general public)

A motion was made by Mr. Ronald Gonsoulin, seconded by Mr. James Landry, that the Iberia Parish Levee, Hurricane, and Conservation District does hereby recess its Special Session and convene into Public Hearing to receive public comments on business to be discussed.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: James Stein, Patrick Broussard, James Landry, and  
Ronald Gonsoulin, Scott Ransonet, and Edwin Leblanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Benson Langlinais, Lauren Brown, and Roy Pontiff.

And the motion was therefore passed on this 6th day of March, 2017.

Upon hearing no comments, a motion was made by Mr. Ronald Gonsoulin, seconded by Mr. James Landry, that the Iberia Parish Levee, Hurricane, and Conservation District does hereby recess its Public Hearing and reconvene into Special Session.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: James Stein, Patrick Broussard, James Landry, and Ronald Gonsoulin, Scott Ransonet, and Edwin Leblanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Benson Langlinais, Lauren Brown, and Roy Pontiff.

And the motion was therefore passed on this 6th day of March, 2017.

#### DIRECTOR'S REPORT

##### A. Balance

Executive Director Ray Fremin Jr. provided the following:

- Current account balance of \$101,414.77; and
- A budget comparison sheet for the 2016/2017.

Mr. Benson Langlinais entered the meeting at this time.

##### B. Report

Executive Director Ray Fremin, Jr. stated that he submitted Iberia Parish's vote for CWPPRA projects.

He reported that the District is also assisting in coordinating efforts for the Coastal Conversation Association with plans for a small floating marsh project which will be in St. Mary and Iberia Parishes.

Ms. Lauren Brown entered the meeting at this time.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discuss and consider a Resolution authorizing Chairman to sign the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement for the transfer of funds from Iberia Parish Government for operations funding.

A motion was made by Mr. Benson Langlinais, seconded by Mr. Patrick Broussard, that a Resolution be adopted authorizing Chairman to sign the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement for the transfer of funds from Iberia Parish Government for operations funding. (Resolution No. 2017-02)

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: James Stein, Patrick Broussard, James Landry, and Ronald Gonsoulin, Scott Ransonet, Benson Langlinais, Lauren Brown, and Edwin Leblanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Roy Pontiff.

And the Resolution was therefore passed on this 6th day of March, 2017.

B. Discuss and Consider Resolutions supporting the following projects of the 2017 Louisiana Coastal Master Plan and requesting inclusion of projects to the 2017 Louisiana Coastal Master Plan as listed as well as any support for of inclusions of projects suggested by the Levee District Board in addition to these.

Projects supported: Project number 03b.MC.03 March creation marsh island, Marsh Creation Projects at both the east and west of Fresh water Bayou including 004.MC.102 (eastern White Lake)004.MC.100, 004.MC.16, 03b.SP.01, 004.MC.101 West side Freshwater Bayou),004.MC.07, East of Freshwater Bayou,004.RC.02, and projects 03b.MC.07,004.SP.03, March Creation at 03b.MC 09 (Point Au Fir)

Projects for inclusion are all shoreline protection necessary to provide protection to the coastal mainland (including Vermilion, Iberia, and St Mary Parishes) and the bay system of East and West Cote Blanche Bays, the Vermilion Bay and Weeks bay from the Gulf of Mexico.

Mr. Ronald Gonsoulin requested to include a sediment diversion project to move sediment from Wax Lake to the East Cote Blanche Bay area either by channeling a new path for the flow of water and sediment or by using the current bayous, canals or other water conveyance methods alone or in combination with each other. The idea is that by moving sediment from Wax Lake and the Wax Lake area to the East Cote Blanche Bay it would build and form a new delta in that area and further protect the main coastland of Iberia St Mary and Vermilion and also protect Marsh Island the bay system of east and west Cote Blanche and Vermillion Bays'

A motion was made by Mr. Ronald Gonsoulin, seconded by Ms. Lauren Brown, that a Resolution be adopted supporting the following projects of the 2017 Louisiana Coastal Master Plan and requesting inclusion of projects to the 2017 Louisiana Coastal Master Plan as listed as well as any support for of inclusions of projects suggested by the Levee District Board in addition to these, as amended, as follows: (Resolution No. 2017-03)

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This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: James Stein, Patrick Broussard, James Landry, and Ronald Gonsoulin, Scott Ransonet, Benson Langlinais, Lauren Brown, and Edwin Leblanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Roy Pontiff.

And the Resolution was therefore passed on this 6th day of March, 2017.

C. Discuss and consider a Resolution authorizing the Chairman to sign 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment to the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the State of Louisiana through Facility Planning and Control, which amendment corrects and validates the funds expended on the Master Plan enhancements that were completed and delivered last April 2016 by Royal Engineering. (the amendment shows all adjustments to the capital outlay grant with a balance of 4300.00 still available towards the project)

A motion was made by Mr. Patrick Broussard, seconded by Mr. Scott Ransonet, that a Resolution be adopted authorizing the Chairman to sign 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment to the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the State of Louisiana through Facility Planning and Control, which amendment corrects and validates the funds expended on the Master Plan enhancements that were completed and delivered last April 2016 by Royal Engineering. (the amendment shows all adjustments to the capital outlay grant with a balance of \$4,300.00 still available towards the project) (Resolution No. 2017-04)

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: James Stein, Patrick Broussard, James Landry, and Ronald Gonsoulin, Scott Ransonet, Benson Langlinais, Lauren Brown, and Edwin Leblanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Roy Pontiff.

And the Resolution was therefore passed on this 6th day of March, 2017.

D. Discuss and consider a Resolution accepting the budget adjustments for 2016/17.

A motion was made by Mr. Ronald Gonsoulin, seconded by Mr. Benson Langlinais, that a Resolution be adopted accepting the

budget adjustments for 2016/17, as follows: (Resolution No. 2017-05)

Budget Adjustment 3-6-17	Adjusted 2016/17
<b>INCOME</b>	
Port of Iberia	50,000.00
Iberia Parish Government	63,999.96
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>113,999.96</b>
Fund Balance Previous Years	111,913.81
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Accounting	6000.00
Auto Allowance	8,400.00
Dues and Subscriptions	500.00
Employee Retirement	-
Insurance General	3,000.00
Insurance Health	17,000.00
Insurance WC	675.00
Office Equipment	250.00
Office Functions (software etc.)	500.00
Office Supplies and Postage	450.00
Payroll Expense & Taxes	8,000.00
Salaries	75,000.00
Seminar and Convention Fee	4,000.00
Travel Commissioner	3,000.00
Travel Director	1,300.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>128,075.00</b>
Projected Ending fund balance	97,838.00

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: James Stein, Patrick Broussard, James Landry, and Ronald Gonsoulin, Scott Ransonet, Benson Langlinais, Lauren Brown, and Edwin Leblanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Roy Pontiff.

And the Resolution was therefore passed on this 6th day of March, 2017.

E. Discuss and consider a Resolution approving the 2017/18 budget.

A motion was made by Mr. Benson Langlinais, seconded by Ms. Lauren Brown, that a Resolution be adopted approving the 2017/18 budget, as follows: (Resolution No. 2017-06)

Budget 2017/18	2017/18
<b>INCOME</b>	
Port of Iberia	50,000.00
Iberia Parish Government	26,499.93
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Fund Balance Previous Years	97,838.00

<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Accounting	6000.00
Auto Allowance	8,400.00
Dues and Subscriptions	500.00
Employee Retirement	-
Insurance General	3,000.00
Insurance Health	17,800.00
Insurance WC	675.00
Office Equipment	250.00
Office Functions (software etc.)	500.00
Office Supplies and Postage	450.00
Payroll Expense & Taxes	8,000.00
Salaries	75,000.00
Seminar and Convention Fee	2,000.00
Travel Commissioner	2,000.00
Travel Director	1,300.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>125,875.00</b>
Projected Ending fund balance	48,462.93

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: James Stein, Patrick Broussard, James Landry, and Ronald Gonsoulin, Scott Ransonet, Benson Langlinais, Lauren Brown, and Edwin Leblanc.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Roy Pontiff.

And the Resolution was therefore passed on this 6th day of March, 2017.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Update on Acadiana Flood Protection Coalition

Ms. Julie Rosenzweig stated that the Coalition has met twice since the last District meeting. The following tasks were achieved:

- Finalization of the Board of Directors;
- Receipt of approval for the formation of a non-profit corporation; and
- Began donor outreach with receipt of donations.

She stated they are at the point where they can decide upon a consultant and the scope of work for said consultant. She also stated that the Coalition will begin on community outreach which will include several component parts.

CORRESPONDENCE

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

April 6, 2017

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Patrick Broussard, seconded by Mr. James Landry, that the District does hereby adjourn.

All members present voted affirmatively and the motion carried unanimously.

I hereby certify the fore going to be exact and true:

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Ray Fremin, Jr., Executive Director  
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