

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

DATE: Thursday, February 2, 2017

TIME: Six (6:00) O'Clock P. M.

ATTENDANCE: James Stein, Benson Langlinais, Roy Pontiff,
James Landry, Lauren Brown, and Scott Ransonet.

ABSENT: Patrick Broussard and Ronald Gonsoulin.

OTHERS: Executive Director Ray Fremin, CPRA - Pat Landry,
Randy Moertle, Ralph Libersat, Oneil Malbrough, and
Julie Rosenzweig, Eddie Leblanc, Will Cenac, Jerry
Hauske, Beau Tate, Mary Danka

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman James Stein called the meeting to order.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Lauren Brown, seconded by Mr. Benson Langlinais, that the Iberia Parish Levee, Hurricane, and Conservation District does hereby approve the January 13, 2017 minutes as published.

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

YEAS: James Stein, Benson Langlinais, Roy Pontiff, James
Landry, Lauren Brown, and Scott Ransonet.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Patrick Broussard and Ronald Gonsoulin.

And the motion was therefore passed on this 2nd day of February, 2017.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS

None.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

None.

Chairman James Stein requested that New Business be moved to the beginning of the agenda. No objections were received.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Presentation of the 2017 State Coastal Master Plan Draft, Pat Landry CPRA.

CPRA Representative Pat Landry provided a PowerPoint presentation on the draft 2017 State Coastal Master Plan to the members of the District and audience participants. Mr. Landry stated that the comment period will end on March 26th with the final plan to be submitted to the CPRA Board on April 19th and to the Legislature on April 25th for final approval.

Information in regards to the draft 2017 State Coastal Master Plan can be viewed at:

<http://coastal.la.gov/a-common-vision/2017-draft-coastal-master-plan/>

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED

(Comments accepted from the general public)

A motion was made by Mr. Benson Langlinais, 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, Benson Langlinais, Roy Pontiff, James Landry, Lauren Brown, and Scott Ransonet.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Patrick Broussard and Ronald Gonsoulin.

And the motion was therefore passed on this 2nd day of February, 2017.

Mr. Randy Moertle representing Avery Island, Inc. voiced his opinion in regards to the inclusion of marsh creation in the

draft 2017 State Coastal Master Plan. He also recommended that when the Levee district provides comments to the state regarding the 2017 State Coastal Master Plan that the district include parts of the plan that it would like to keep with a rationale in the opinion to help prevent the state from removing things that we would prefer to keep.

Mr. Ralph Libersat with Vermilion Parish Coastal Committee expressed his concerns with the lack of shoreline protection within the draft 2017 State Coastal Master Plan.

Mr. Oneil Malbrough also spoke about rainy marshes and dredging projects in regards to the draft 2017 State Coastal Master Plan.

Upon hearing no further comments, a motion was made by Mr. Benson Langlinais, 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, Benson Langlinais, Roy Pontiff, James Landry, Lauren Brown, and Scott Ransonet.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Patrick Broussard and Ronald Gonsoulin.

And the motion was therefore passed on this 2nd day of February, 2017.

Chairman James Stein stated that Executive Director Ray Fremin, Jr. will compile a list of comments in regards to the draft 2017 State Coastal Master Plan to be placed on the next agenda for adoption by the Board.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Balance

Executive Director Ray Fremin, Jr. reported that the District has a balance of \$123,418 with all bills paid to date. Mr. Fremin stated that he hadn't rectified the monthly comparison sheet, but plans to present said information at the next District meeting.

Mr. Fremin stated that an Executive Committee meeting was held in order to obtain an update on the Delcambre Avery Flood Control Structure. He stated that the meeting resulted in allocating tasks to obtain additional information. He noted that one specific problem was that one of the structures was not planned for a one-hundred year storm event. He then noted that updated figures will be provided at a future meeting to include a one hundred year storm event structure.

Mr. Fremin stated that an Executive Committee meeting will be called later in the month in order to review over several items, and that he would advise of date at a later time.

Mr. Fremin reported that he attended the Regional Planning meeting for CWPPRA as the representative of Iberia Parish.

Mr. Fremin also reported that he presented information on the damages related to the August flood and the affect it had in this area to the CPRA Levee Consortium Committee in Baton Rouge.

Mr. Fremin stated that he will be attending a Restore Louisiana Task Force meeting tomorrow at 9:30 a.m. which is open to the public.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Update on the Acadiana Flood Protection Coalition, for the promotion of flood protection Julie Rosenzweig.

Ms. Julie Rosenzweig, member of the Acadiana Flood Protection Coalition reported that the Coalition has been approved for a non-profit status by the State of Louisiana. She further reported that the Board will be applying for 501C3 status with the IRS in order that contributions will be tax deductible.

Ms. Rosenzweig stated that the Board has had multiple meetings over several weeks and has determined a plan of action, which includes obtaining donations to initiate the educational outreach part of the project. She noted that the Coalition wants to provide factual details of the Iberia Levee Master Plan to the public. Secondly, she stated that the Coalition will be gathering information in order to determine the best way to fund said plan. She noted that they plan to conduct professional

surveying to figure out what residents are willing to support.

Furthermore, Ms. Rosenzweig noted that all volunteers on the roster live and work in the Parish of Iberia. Ms. Rosenzweig concluded her presentation by inviting everyone to the next official meeting to be held on February 14, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. at Community First Bank on Admiral Doyle Drive.

- B. Discuss and consider engaging Royal Engineering and consultants for professional services to initiate planning, permitting, engineering, and right of way acquisition of the Commercial Canal Navigation and Flood Control Structure within reach 2-D of the Iberia Parish Coastal protection system as identified in the Parish Coastal Protection Master Plan.

A motion was made by Mr. Benson Langlinais, seconded by Mr. Ronald Gonsoulin that a Resolution be adopted engaging Royal Engineering and consultants for professional services to initiate planning, permitting, engineering, and right of way acquisition of the Commercial Canal Navigation and Flood Control Structure within reach 2-D of the Iberia Parish Coastal protection system as identified in the Parish Coastal Protection Master Plan. (Resolution No. 2017-01)

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

- YEAS: James Stein, Benson Langlinais, Roy Pontiff, James Landry, Lauren Brown, and Scott Ransonet.
- NAYS: None.
- ABSENT: Patrick Broussard and Ronald Gonsoulin.

And the Resolution was therefore passed on this 2nd day of February, 2017.

Mr. Roy Pontiff noted that said flood gate will be 250' wide by 24' deep.

CORRESPONDENCE

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

March 2, 2017

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. James Landry, seconded by Mr. Benson Langlinais, 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:

Ray Fremin, Jr., Executive Director

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