

A regular board meeting of the Board of Commissioners, WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT, was held Friday, January 14, 1983, in Sarasota County Administration Center, Sarasota.

Commissioners present: Joseph A. Tringali, Chairman Charlotte County
 Jerry L. Hente Vice-chairman Sarasota County
 Westwood H. Fletcher, Jr., Treas. Manatee County

Commissioner absent: Ernest Averill, Jr., Secretary Lee County

James M. Armstrong, Executive Director
 Attorney P.E. Perrey, Associate Counsel

ADMINISTRATION

The meeting convened at 3:15 p.m., with Chairman Tringali presiding. There were no guests present and the DNR representative did not attend.

Minutes of regular board meeting December 3, 1982, Treasurer's Report, and the Current Bills were approved as presented.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS - 1983 Commr. Tringali was elected Chairman; Commr. Hente was elected Vice-chairman. Commr. Hente moved that Commrs. Fletcher and Averill remain as Treasurer and Secretary respectively; motion seconded and carried.

RE-EMPLOYMENT OF STAFF The present staff was re-employed by motion made by Commr. Fletcher with unanimous approval.

AUDIT REPORT

The Fiscal year ended September 30, 1982 audit report was approved as presented.

INVESTMENT OF WCIND FUNDS

Director reported that C/D's now total \$1,250,000.00 and that by noting the Memo, in each member's folder, the WCIND could invest these funds with the State Admin. Investment Pool and gain considerably higher interest rates. Commr. Fletcher moved to utilize this service unless, after investigation of insurance and service charges, it prompted a call from the Board to do otherwise; motion seconded and carried.

ACTIVITIES REPORT

Pinellas County: City of Clearwater Proposal - Director reported on visit to City of Clearwater regarding local Bill to have IWW property awarded to City. The Assistant City Manager said there was no Bill and that they were simply trying to determine who had jurisdiction on the property and what they would need to do if they must use it. Director reported that Ass't City Manager seemed satisfied with his explanation re WCIND and would have someone from her staff to contact WCIND. Additionally, Director noted a letter from the Corps of Engineers stating that the IWW from Caloosahatchee river to Anclote river was WCIND responsibility even though Pinellas and Hillsborough Counties withdrew. Counsel reported the C.E. had been informed in the past that the WCIND disagrees; he suggested that possible contact with the two Counties might result in Pinellas and Hillsborough Counties being reinstated. It was agreed that, as soon as all property rights were ascertained, Commr. Fletcher would make a goodwill visit to neighboring Counties to invite them back into the District or to at least have informal discussions.

Crystal Beach Property - Counsel displayed maps indicating two of three mortgages had been satisfied and that all notes and receipts were in good order. Counsel now plans a meeting with WCIND Accountant and Director to confirm his findings and to update all files.

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Manasota Key Lot #3: The Director reported on advertising Lot #3 again. Commr. Fletcher moved that advertisement make no mention of appraisal price but to reserve right to reject any or all bids and to advertise bidding for longer period.

78-Acre Exchange - Venice Area: It was reported that this exchange with the Corps of Engineers and Sarasota County is progressing. The Chairman has asked Director to follow up on the progress for this project.

Lease Proposal - Venice Avenue/Tampa Street Location: A letter was received offering property and building for the WCIND lot with a mortgage of 15 years. The Board asked Counsel to study the proposal, ascertain the financial status of proposed buyer, and to re-confirm all appraisals to be sure that all associated facts were justified. Further, that 15 years was too long a time for this type transaction.

The ACTIVITIES REPORT was accepted as presented.

Director's Report

Florida State Annual Conference:

Report was received on Public Works Request for 1985 Budget. Commr. Fletcher has suggested that Counsel refer to Port Manatee's dredging need and to bring the particulars to the Board for consideration.

The WCIND's list of Membership Dues was submitted for approval. Chairman requested that Director present, at next Board meeting, the values of all memberships and to explain their purpose.

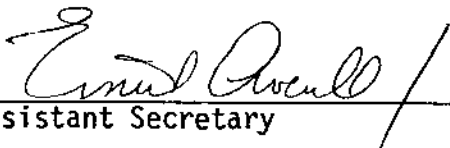
DNR Seminar WCIND received the DNR's request for Director's presence at the DNR Environmental Lands Management Seminar at Weekiva Springs scheduled January 20, 21. Commr. Hente moved that Director be authorized to attend; motion seconded and carried.

GICA (Gulf Intracoastal Canal Association) Meeting in New Orleans Feb. 10,11; this is re economic development, progress and well-being of the Gulf Coast States. Commr. Fletcher moved that Director, Counsel and Board member be authorized to attend; motion was seconded and carried.


NEXT MEETING DATE

Reference was made to the December 6, 1982 memorandum re 1983 meeting schedule. Next scheduled meeting date is Friday, February 18, 1983, 9:30 a.m.; meeting to be in Sarasota County Administration Center, Sarasota.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.



Assistant Secretary



Chairman