

The June meeting of the Board of Commissioners, WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT, was held June 17, 1974, in the Pinellas County Commission Chamber, Court House, Clearwater, Florida.

Present were: Kenneth W. Daniels, Chairman, Lee County
 Larry Rhodes, Vice Chairman, Sarasota County
 Dorothy R. Flowers, Secretary, Charlotte County
 Dan P. McClure, Treasurer, Manatee County
 G. Patrick Iley, Pinellas County

Charles E. Furbee, Executive Director
 Dewey A. Dye, Jr., Counsel

Absent was: Elizabeth B. Castor, Hillsborough County

ADMINISTRATION

The meeting convened at 10:30 a.m.

Minutes of the May 20, 1974 meeting were corrected to read, page two, paragraph (1):

FROM "...the question of who owned Caladesi Island, State or Federal Government."

TO "...the question of who owned Honeymoon Island, State or Federal Government."

The minutes of the May 20, 1974 meeting were then approved.

Treasurer's Report was approved as presented. Commr. Iley stated that consideration should be given for a fair representation of banks within the District for holding certificates of deposit now owned by WCIND, with rotation determined first by highest rate of interest to be earned. Commr. McClure stated that this representation could be considered at the approximate times of maturity of C/Deposits beginning October 1, 1974, for the next fiscal year. The Board concurred. Vouchers No. 7596 through 7623 were approved for payment.

The Director submitted WCIND Resolution No. 74-05 in order to establish the millage of 00.02 mill to be levied for FY 1974-75 WCIND budget requirements. He reported his discussions of the proposed millage with Colonel Roger M. Bachman, State Department of Natural Resources, and with the State Auditor for this area, Mr. Bob Austin, as well as with Sarasota County Tax Assessor. The Director reported his recommendation to reduce the millage one-third from 00.03 mill to 00.02 mill for taxes to be collected, \$218,000. Commr. McClure moved that the tax millage of 00.02 mill for WCIND FY 1974-75 be approved and that WCIND Resolution No. 74-05 be thus adopted for this tax levy. Commr. Iley seconded the motion and the motion carried. The Director stated that the proposed budget will have to be revised when the six Counties in the District will advise WCIND of their anticipated funds.

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ACTIVITIES REPORTA. Pinellas County

1. St. Joseph Sound Project - The Director introduced Mr. Keith Hamilton of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Jacksonville District Office who will attend the C.E. hearing scheduled for representatives of the Crystal Beach Association who object to this project's location site. The hearing will be held today, 1:00 p.m. at the Clearwater Courthouse. Commr. Rhodes moved that the Director and Mr. Dye, Counsel, appear at the hearing for WCIND; the motion was seconded by Commr. Flowers and the motion carried. The Director called on Mr. Dye to review the statements prepared for the Corps of Engineers hearing in regard to this project. Mr. Dye referred back to his chronological statements beginning as of November 3, 1971 through May, 1974 to the WCIND Board as he reported on the various areas studied for the proposed use by the C.E. Mr. Dye will be available today for the rebuttal statement at the hearing. Mr. Tom R. Moore, Attorney for Crystal Beach Association, has indicated to Mr. Dye that he intends to entertain a suit re this project. The hearing today is being held under the 1972 Water Quality Law. The Chairman stated that this WCIND Board has fulfilled its obligations to the C.E. and that this Board should not presuppose a suit to be filed against the WCIND. Commr. Rhodes noted that following the May 20, 1974 board meeting the WCIND did contact the Corps of Engineers in Jacksonville Office through the C.E. representative and suggested this hearing. (See the WCIND Counsel's letter to the C.E. May 20, 1974.)

The ACTIVITIES REPORT was accepted as presented.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The recommended date for July meeting is Monday, July 15; to be held in Sarasota County Commission Chambers, Manatee Room, Sarasota. Commr. McClure suggested this meeting could be suspended and rescheduled for a date in August unless the Board's decision dictates a "called meeting." The Board concurred with this proposed arrangement for July Board Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Dorothy R. Flowers
Secretary

Kenneth W. Daniels
Chairman