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January 12, 1955

The regular meeting of the West Coast Inland Navigation District was held in the court house in Bradenton, Manatee County, Florida, Wednesday, January 12th, 1955 at 2:00 p.m.

Present were:

Fred W. Ball, Chairman	Hillsborough County
Matt Weeks, Vice Chairman	Charlotte County
H. E. Denham, Sr., Secretary	Sarasota County
J. E. McLeod, Treasurer	Manatee County
H. E. Keen, Member	Lee County

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Dewey A. Dye, Jr., Attorney and J. K. Merrin, Engineer.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ball, who introduced the incoming members of the Boards of County Commissioners acting as representatives of the respective counties comprising the West Coast Inland Navigation District.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Motion was made by Mr. Denham that the minutes be approved after correction "W. C. Cramer, Representative to Congress Elect" instead of"Senator Elect." Motion was seconded by Mr. Weeks and carried.

The treasurer's report was given by Mr. McLeod and accepted on motion by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Keen and carried.

On motion by Mr. Keen, seconded by Mr. Weeks, all vouchers dated January 12, 1955 were approved for payment.

*Sidney S. Parry, member from Pinellas County,was absent.

Motion was made by Mr. Weeks that a resolution expressing appreciation of services of outgoing members Fred W. Ball, E. T. Denham, Sr., H. E. Keen and Sidney S. Parry be adopted. Motion was seconded by Mr. McLeod and carried.

On motion by Mr. Keen, seconded by Mr. McLeod, the Board adjourned sine die.

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New members of the West Coast Inland Navigation District, sworn in by Mrs. Nona D. Major were as follows:

Ellsworth Simmons	Hillsborough County
Charles R. Fischer	Pinellas County
G. M. Nelson	Sarasota County
Wilson Pigott	Lee County

Upon nomination by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. McLeod, and upon vote of all members present, Ellsworth Simmons of Hillsborough County was unanimously elected chairman of the W.C.I.N. District for the coming year.

Upon nomination by Mr. Pigott, seconded by Mr. Fischer, and upon vote of all members present, Matt Weeks of Charlotte County was unanimously elected vice chairman.

On nomination by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Nelson, and upon vote of all members present, Wilson Pigott of Lee County was unanimously elected Secretary.

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On nomination by Mr. Pigott, seconded by Mr. Weeks, and on vote of all members present, J. E. McLeod of Manatee County was unanimously elected Treasurer.

Upon motion by Mr. McLeod, seconded by Mr. Fisher, Dewey A. Dye, Jr, attorney, J. K. Merrin, engineer, J. Hardin Peterson, Special Attorney, and Lobelia D. Frappier, assistant secretary, were retained at present salaries.

Mr. Peterson gave a resume of the status of construction, etc. on the West Coast Inland Navigation District/ Inland Waterway, congressional appropriations, etc., for the benefit of the new members.

At the request of Mr. Pigott, the engineer gave a report as to the status of surveys and procurement of rights of way.

Upon question of Mr. Peters, a visitor from Nokomis, as to "requirements of property owners necessary to take care of spoil areas - retaining walls , etc", Mr. Merrin stated that there were no requirements from property owners, that any installations necessary would be made by the contractor and designed by the Corps of Engineers, U.S.

The matter of legislation was brought to the attention of the Board by Chairman Simmons. The attorneys were requested to have prepared for the Board's approval a report concerning necessities for the continuation of the Act for presentation at the next regular meeting February 16, 1955.

Motion was made by Mr. McLeod that Chairman Simmons, Mr. Nelson and Mr. Fischer be appointed to work with the attorneys Dye and Peterson on matters of legislation. Motion was seconded by Mr. Pigott and carried.

On motion by Mr. McLeod, seconded by Mr. Pigott, expenses of the new members of the Board ware approved for payment.

On motion by Mr. Pigott, seconded by Mr. Weeks, the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, February 16th, 1955 at 2:00 p.m.

Wilbur Pigott
Secretary

APPROVED:
C. J. Simmons
Chairman