WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT

June 10, 1957

The regular meeting of the West Coast Inland Navigation District was held in the Court House, Bradenton, Florida, on Monday, June 10, 1957 at 2:00 P.M.

Those present, were:

Ellsworth Simmons, Chairman	Hillsborough County
Charles H. Fischer, Vice-Chairman	Pinellas County
H. C. Slaughter, Treasurer	Manatee County
Edwin F. McCann	Sarasota County
James Miller	Charlotte County

Fred W. Ball, Executive Secretary
Dewey A. Dye, Attorney
Joe K. Merrin, Engineer
Senator J. Hardin Peterson, Special Attorney

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted with two corrections.

Senator J. Hardin Peterson discussed Senate Bill 728 and explained that this bill instead of dealing with dredging, deals with bulkheading and filling. Chairman Simmons asked Mr. Peterson if the six counties would keep in mind our right-of-way in setting any bulkhead lines. Mr. Peterson replied that bulkhead lines would not interfere with this route as all members of this Board are County Commissioners in their own county and can therefore protect it.

Mr. Fischer stated that we have a local act operating under an authority to appoint an examiner to hear applicants, and asked if that gave us the right to hear applications for establishment of bulkhead lines. Mr. Peterson explained that the Board will have to interpret the local act in connection with this, and would have to reconcile the two acts. This act creates a separate board, and they in turn appoint the Board of County Commissioners as the Water Navigation Board.

Mr. Peterson stated that this is the final version of the Bill

and that all members will be sent certified copies.

Mr. Simmons requested that the official document of the "LOCAL CONTRIBUTION TOWARD ALTERNATE ROUTE C-1, NAVIGATION IMPROVEMENT AT VENICE, FLA." be filed in the minutes.

Attorney Dye stated that he talked with the Attorney General's office after the meeting last month. The Attorney General sent a letter stating that James Wood would take charge of legal action on all unauthorized fills and would bring any necessary action. Mr. Dye referred to another unauthorized fill encroaching - 190 feet long and 23 feet wide. He showed a small sketch of it, stating that the owner is trespassing on land owned by the District and decland that any encroachment should be stopped by an injunction.

A motion was made by Mr. Slaughter and seconded by Mr. Fischer that the Board authorize the attorney to take necessary legal steps to properly protect the right-of-way from this encroachment. APPROVED.

Mr. Dye reported that he wrote a letter to the Board of County Commissioners of Sarasota County checking on waterfront plats, and read a reply from James D. Neville, Commissioner, requesting right-of-way maps, which Sarasota County might use as a guide in this matter.

Mr. Fischer made the motion and Mr. Slaughter seconded that the RESOLUTION requesting easement for submerged lands needed for right-of-way purposes for Intracoastal Waterway Canal from the Sarasota-Manatee County Line to the Sarasota-Charlotte County Line be adopted and made a part of the minutes, and that the Board request the I.I.B. for a deed for the balance of the right-of-way they possess in Sarasota County. APPROVED.

Mr. Dye requested that payment be made for the following right-of-ways:

	Frances Lucille Parker	
CC #4	owned by ~~Parker~~	$ 725.00
CC #12	" " ~~Hayes~~ Corp.	4,350.00
	The Cape Haze Corp.	

Mr. Miller made a motion which Mr. McCann seconded that settlement be made on the above bills. APPROVED.

Mr. J. E. Merrin, Engineer, displayed two maps:

(1) Aqua Lane Estates Improvements to Stickney Point Bridge.

(2) Map from Manasota Key Bridge, north through Lemon Bay to Alternate C-1.

A motion was made by Mr. McCann and seconded by Mr. Slaughter that these maps be accepted and kept on file. Mr. Simmons suggested that a formal numbering system be adopted for use with these maps, incorporating the number in the minutes along with a copy of a letter of the Army Engineer's approval. Mr. Dye recommended that for the sake of clarifying our records and properly identifying our maps, that a rubber stamp be made marked W.C.I.N.D., with a place for date, map number, and signature of the chairman.

Mr. Bruce Cox, Accountant for the Board, presented invoices passed on at the last meeting for signature approval. It was agreed by the Board that all bills be submitted by the first of the month in order to give Mr. Cox time to compile them for proper presentation to the Board.

Mr. Slaughter made a motion which Mr. McCann seconded that the voucher list as presented by the accounting department be approved.

Mr. Fischer made a motion which Mr. Slaughter seconded that a copy of the minutes be sent to each member after the meeting. APPROVED.

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Mr. Slaughter read the Treasurer's report. Upon motion by Mr. Fischer and seconded by Mr. Miller the report was accepted.

Chairman Simmons extended greetings to Mr. Leighton Hester, guest of Mr. Fischer. Mr. Hester was a former associate in the State Road Department.

The meeting adjourned at 3:40 P.M.

William Leggett
Secretary

Chairman