

**WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT
APPROVED MINUTES OF AUGUST 21, 2015 BOARD MEETING
VENICE CITY HALL – COMMUNITY HALL
VENICE, FLORIDA**

Commissioners Present

Brian Hamman, Alternate
Stephen R. Deutsch, Vice Chair
John Chappie, Treasurer

Staff Present

Charles W. Listowski
Justin D. McBride
Philip E. Perrey, Legal Counsel

Vice Chair, Stephen R. Deutsch, opened the meeting at 10:30 AM, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA CHANGES - None

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Steve Lawrence addressed the Board regarding implementing an idle speed zone at the Gasprilla Island Bridge.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMENTS – Mr. McBride commented that we are still working on getting the NGP for Charlotte County and we will be meeting with the FDEP at a conference in the coming weeks.

U. S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS COMMENTS - Mr. Mora introduced Mr. Beau Corbett as the new project manager for WCIND.

Mr. Mora recognized Mr. Listowski with a survey marker that will be located adjacent to the hot dog stand to the north of the Venice Inlet.

Mr. Corbett commented on the Contributed Funds Agreement (CFA). Mr. Mora added that a complete multi-beam survey from Fort Myers to Tarpon Springs will be done; the last survey was done in 2009.

Mr. McBride noted that WCIND has contracted with the University of Florida to create an Economic Impact Analysis of the GIWW in the four counties and should be completed within a week.

Mr. Listowski acknowledged Mr. Mora as the most attentive project manager who cares about the District's mission, and Mr. Listowski would like to frame this in a proclamation.

Commissioner Chappie motioned to approve drafting a proclamation recognizing Mr. Mora.

Commissioner Hamman seconded the motion.

Motion approved unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Chappie motioned to approve Items A-E.

Commissioner Hamman seconded the motion.

Motion approved unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA:

Mr. McBride discussed the draft preliminary budget.

Commissioner Chappie motioned to move forward with the budget preparation at the current millage rate .0394.

Commissioner Hamman seconded the motion.

Motion approved unanimously.

District Status Report –

Charlotte - Mr. McBride noted that he is meeting with Sea Grant on the Charlotte Harbor Fisheries Program monthly.

Lee –Big Carlos application continues to move forward. The DEP Notice of Intent is forthcoming.

Sarasota – Challenger project is moving forward, working on the agreements.

Manatee – Longboat Improvement Fund application for DEP cost sharing has been submitted. Lake Lavista project has been put out for bid.

OLD BUSINESS – None

COMMISSIONERS' ITEMS –

Commissioner Chappie - Mooring field rules are changing and communications with the City of Bradenton Beach.

Commissioner Deutsch commented on abandoned/derelict vessels in Charlotte County.

WCIND COUNSEL'S REPORT – None

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT –

Mr. McBride noted;

- That there are some right-of-way issues with structures in various municipalities, we are taking a pro-active approach in cleaning-up, and addressing them with the Cities, ACOE, DEP and Counties.
- Reviewing the internal processes; started to install new technology and new ideas to help us be more efficient.
- Researching forms for evaluating Executive Director through the various agencies and will be sending them to the commissioners for approval.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 AM

NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME: Regular Meeting September 11, 2015 at 4:00 PM;
First Public Hearing September 11, 2015 5:01 PM.

Larry Kiker, Chair

Charles Hines, Secretary