

**WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF JULY 30, 2004 BOARD MEETING  
VENICE CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
VENICE, FLORIDA**

Commissioners Present: Nora Patterson, Chair  
Ray Judah, Vice Chair  
Joe McClash, Treasurer

Commissioners Absent: Tom D'Aprile, Secretary

Staff Present: Charles W. Listowski, Executive Director  
Philip E. Perrey, Counsel

Chair Nora Patterson opened the meeting at 10:30 a.m. at Council Chambers – Venice City Hall, Venice, FL. Mr. Listowski called the roll and determined that a quorum was present. Mr. Listowski noted an addition to the consent agenda of item #7. This item is a Sarasota County request to add up to \$100,000 to the Phillippi Creek construction contract with Duncan Seawall. The District administers this project and funding is available in Sarasota County's navigation project account.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION'S COMMENTS – Mr. Listowski stated that Mr. Flood was not present, but the agenda packet included an email from Mr. Flood stating that the State has presently reserved \$75,000 in match money in a contributed funding agreement for work to be done in modeling the Venice Inlet. This item will be covered under the Administrative Agenda.

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS' COMMENTS - Mr. Rick McMillen from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers was present and gave an update on the congressional add. He noted that there were four hot spots that are in need of dredging: Venice, Longboat, Miserable Mile, and Millers' Marina. The current strategy would be to do engineering/design/permitting activities in the next year to bring a contract to dredge those areas, and also establish engineering and design criteria for the north and south Venice Inlet jetties bulkhead, for reconstruction in subsequent year. The cost for the dredging of the four hot spots and Venice Jetty construction is \$3 million. The construction would be earmarked for fiscal year 2005-06. Commissioner McClash requested clarification of this strategy. Commissioner Patterson questioned the coordination between the FDEP shoal project at the Venice Inlet with the ACOE project to improve the federal channel. Commissioner Patterson also requested information about progress of funding the Sarasota Bay 1135 project. Mr. Laird Wreford reported on the County staff inquiry to the ACOE on current status of funding. Motion was made by Commissioner McClash for staff to request \$3 million for activities involving the four areas in need of dredging, and rehabilitation of the Venice jetty bulkhead for fiscal year 2005-06. Commissioner Judah seconded the motion, and motion passed unanimously.

navigability or as a sand source for adjacent beach renourishment. Commissioner Judah seconded the motion. Commissioner Patterson added to the motion to include coordination with the cities of Sarasota and Longboat Key and request letters of support for the submittal for funding. Motion approved unanimously.

3. Use Agreement Discussion - MSA S-29 – Counsel Perrey reported to the Board of an agreement between Darby Buick and the District regarding a shared property line and the beneficial use to the District and the dealership. The access to District property through the dealership is in the public's best interest and the safety and security between the two properties for the dealership is of utmost importance, and improvements will be paid for and conducted by the dealership. Mr. Listowski explained further the history of this agreement including past considerations under review for the Venice Linear Park project. To date, it appears that there is not a current agreement with private property owners to allow the Venice Linear Park to traverse private lands; therefore, those considerations are no longer under consideration. Motion by Commissioner Judah to approve the use agreement, seconded by Commissioner McClash, motion passed unanimously.
4. Sarasota County Natural Resources Request for Assistance – Boating Destination Study – Ms. Amy Meese, from Sarasota County Natural Resources, made a brief presentation to the Board regarding a boating destination study conducted in collaboration with the University of Florida Sea Grant Program and Mote Marine Lab. After some discussion by the Board and with strong recommendation by Mr. Listowski, motion was made to approve \$70,052 from District contingency reserves to fund this project. Motion by Commissioner Judah, seconded by Commissioner McClash, motion passed unanimously.
5. Approval of Manatee County Projects Contracts with Energy Resources, Inc. and Duncan Seawall Dock and Boat Lift, Inc. for Contracts #04-001A, #04-001B, #04-001C – Mr. Listowski presented the results from a recent contract process involving bidders for Manatee County projects. Energy Resources, Inc. and Duncan Seawall Dock and Boat Lift, Inc. were the eligible bidders pursuant to the competitive bid process. Duncan Seawall, subsequent to the bid opening and prior to award, informed the District that it will no longer seek award for contract #04-001A, therefore, making that segment of the package awardable to the next low bidder, Energy Resources, Inc. Staff recommends contracts awarded to Energy Resources, Inc. for a total of \$686,297 for segments A, B and C of contract #04-001. Motion to approve contract award by Commissioner Judah, seconded by Commissioner McClash, motion passed unanimously.
6. Review and Approval of FY04-05 Preliminary Budget for Public TRIM Process – Mr. Listowski reviewed the draft FY04-05 preliminary budget for TRIM process advertisement. Recommendation to the Board for approval of the draft millage of .04 and preliminary budget to enable advertisement by each county per TRIM process. Motion to approve preliminary budget by Commissioner Judah, seconded by Commissioner McClash, motion approved unanimously.