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A meeting of the West Coast Inland Navigation District was held in the Court House, Bradenton, Florida, Wednesday, February 16, 1949, at 2:00 p.m. Members present were:

CHARLOTTE COUNTY:	Matt Weeks, Member
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY:	Fred W. Ball, Chairman
LEE COUNTY:	H. M. Stringfellow, Vice Chairman
MANATEE COUNTY:	J. E. McLeod, Treasurer
FINELLAS COUNTY:	Andrew E. Potter, Member
SARASOTA COUNTY:	W. L. Woodard, Secretary

Others present were: Mr. Joe K. Merrin, Engineer for the West Coast Inland Navigation District, W. A. Read, Corps of Engineer, Ole P. Erickson, Engineer Hillsborough County Port Authority, Harry L. Land, and G. B. Youngberg.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ball.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Secretary and approved on motion by Mr. Stringfellow and seconded by Mr. Weeks.

The Commission acknowledge the Audit from the State Auditing Department.

On motion by Mr. Potter, seconded by Mr. McLeod, that Mr. Stringfellow be authorized to consult with Colonel Jones at Miami about going to Washington for the purpose of attaining funds for commencing work on the West Coast Inland Navigation canal. Motion carried.

On motion by Mr. Woodard, seconded by Mr. McLeod, the following Resolution was accepted with a slight change in the last paragraph and copies be sent to all Civic Organizations in each of the six (6) counties.

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the six (6) counties participating in the West Coast Inland Navigation Waterway Project have reached the point where active work on this project should be commenced, and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government is a participant in this project and in order to participate will need to appropriate funds for this purpose, and

WHEREAS, this Board has been advised that no appropriations have been made by Congress to date for the commencement of work on the West Coast Inland Navigation Channel, and

WHEREAS, this Board has urged its Congressional Delegation to appear before the Rivers and Harbors Committees in Congress and urge that appropriations be made for this project,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board deems it necessary that representatives from all interested civic organizations in several counties send telegrams at the earliest convenient date to the Representatives and Senators, to go before the appropriation committee for the purpose of securing appropriations for the commencement of work on the West Coast Inland Navigation and that copies of this resolution be forwarded to all civic organizations in the six (6) counties involved.

ADOPTED this 16th day of February A.D. 1949.

Mr. Stringfellow moved that Chairman Ball send a telegram to the Chairman of Engineers requesting that all harbor work be left in the hands of the United States Corps of Engineers.

Seconded by Mr. Potter and carried unanimously.

The Treasurer presented his financial report and it was approved on motion by Mr. Stringfellow and seconded by Mr. Weeks.

Motion by Mr. Stringfellow, seconded by Mr. Potter, that all bills presented be paid.

Motion by Mr. Potter, seconded by Mr. Weeks, that Route I be favored.

Mr. McLeod moved that Mr. Ball attend the meeting in Washington, D. C., with his expenses paid, when Engineer Jones meets with the appropriation committee. Seconded by Mr. Potter and unanimously carried.

Mr. Merrin read a letter from U. S. Engineers requesting perpetual easements at Venice Jetty--Gibb property for revetment purpose. Motion by Mr. Woodard, seconded by Mr. Stringfellow,

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granting authority to Mr. Merrin to secure necessary easement from property owners affected south of jetties for U. S. Engineers.

On motion by Mr. McLeod, seconded by Mr. Woodard, the fountain pen was to be paid out of the petty cash fund.

Motion carried.

Upon motion by Mr. Stringfellow, seconded by Mr. Woodard, the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, March 16, 1949, at 2:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

W. L. Woodard
SECRETARY

APPROVED:

J. W. Baul
CHAIRMAN

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