

The monthly board meeting of the Board of Commissioners, WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT, was held May 21, 1979, in the Sarasota County Courthouse, Sarasota, Florida.

Present were: Larry Rhodes, Chairman, Sarasota County  
Arnold F. Schade, Vice Chairman, Charlotte County  
L. H. Fortson, Jr., Treasurer, Manatee County

Charles E. Furbee, Executive Director  
Dewey A. Dye, Jr., Counsel

Absent was: R. Douglas Taylor, Secretary, Lee County

#### ADMINISTRATION

The meeting convened at 10:30 a.m.

Minutes of April 27, 1979 regular board meeting were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report, April 30, 1979, was approved as presented. The Director reported advice received from Southeast National Bank re WCIND Treasurer's recommendation to inquire for interest to be earned on funds currently in checking account. Advice was that this is not a recommended practice for a government agency; but, with the Southeast Bank funds account, to only draw out needed funds to cover each month's checks and holding a balance in the account. This may be done.

Vouchers No. 1616 through #1645 were approved for payment.

WCIND Proposed Budget FY 1979-1980 The Director reviewed schedules with a projected funds balance on September 30, 1979, \$100,000.00; and net carry-over, Local Sponsorship Projects, \$100,000 (Schedule C). This proposed budget was submitted for Board approval, then to be submitted to DNR by June 12, 1979 for State Cabinet's approval. With State approval, WCIND will authorize the same Tax Millage of .01 (1/100th) mill to the four counties in the District. Estimated revenue, Schedule A, reflects WCIND anticipation of the sale of two building lots for the bulk of revenue. Commr. Fortson moved to approve the proposed budget; motion was seconded and carried.

WCIND Legislation Bills Counsel Dye reported that State Senator Neal has reported that the WCIND Bill (S.B.408) is expected to be acted upon by Friday, May 25, and a report to WCIND will be received.

#### ACTIVITIES REPORT

##### Pinellas County

Crystal Beach Property: Attorney Tom Moore, for clients, Crystal Beach Conservation & Development Associates, presented a proposed contract dated May 21, 1979, to Counsel Dye who reviewed contract specifics with the Board. Among conditions for the Crystal Beach Cons. & Dev. Associates' purchase of the subject realty, a tract consisting of approximately 80 acres of uplands and 65 acres of sub-merged lands, if A-1 zoning the price is \$1,250,000 and two payments of \$15,000 earnest-money to purchase with another \$10,000 option-money.

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The WCIND could join with the property owner for zoning change suit, this to be at the owner's cost. If some category more favorable than A-1, the price, \$1,250,000; with the 90-day option to purchase.

Counsel Dye stated that the price of \$1,250,000 for A-1 zoning, or for zoning less restrictive than A-1, is sufficient amount for WCIND to secure all investments. If the RR zoning, the price is \$1,450,000; and if E-1 or equivalent RPD-zoning, the price is \$1,300,000.

Attorney Moore reported his clients' optimism that they will be successful in efforts for zoning change: under A-1, a plan held by Attorney Moore; under E-1, drawings for 75 units; and under the RR, drawings for 123-125 RR lots.

Counsel Dye stated his recommendation to the Board after discussion that the WCIND could accept the contract as submitted today by the Crystal Beach Conservation & Development Associates following his review of the terms to be approved by WCIND.

Attorney Moore reported on the Pinellas County Planning Council's regular meeting being the third Monday of the month; next meeting is June 18 and application for zoning change should be in by June 15 for sixty-day period then Pinellas County Commission acts on application.

Commr. Schade moved that the Board receive the contract dated May 21, 1979, as recommended by Counsel and that Counsel be authorized to prepare the final contract wording of terms with Attorney Moore for the WCIND Committee's approval to be followed with WCIND Chairman's signature; this motion was seconded by Commr. Fortson; the motion carried. The WCIND Counsel, with Attorney Moore, will begin today to finalize contract terms. The closing of this contract for WCIND sale of Crystal Beach property shall occur subsequent to determinative action by Pinellas County and/or by the Pinellas County Planning Council. Conveyance will be by fee simple deed, one deed or by two separate deeds.

#### Charlotte County

Corps of Engineers Study, Stump Pass Project - WCIND has received from Coastal Engineering Consultants, Inc., information from the recent May letter by Mr. Ray George, D. R., Tallahassee, re the application procedures for funding of Erosion Control Projects, and a copy of Chapter 161 Florida Statutes, requesting that the Coastal Engineering firm submit necessary application for funding. With a Grant Aid, this will aid the Stump Pass Project and will be favorable to the WCIND. The Director reported that a Boating Questionnaire, considered to be vital to the C.E. study, has been prepared (similar to Sarasota County form) and has been forwarded to Charlotte County for that County's initial effort of 2,000 copies distribution. He stated that it is now expected that the contract will be ready by October 1.

#### Sarasota County

Corps of Engineers Study, Big Sarasota Pass and Midnight Pass - The County has distributed 4,000 Boating Questionnaire forms and is now receiving returns.

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Dock Lease - Litigation - The Director referred to the WCIND property next to Fisherman's Wharf Restaurant property in Venice. The court case of May 10 was dismissed with the plaintiff to have 20 days to file their amended complaint.

The ACTIVITIES REPORT was accepted as presented.

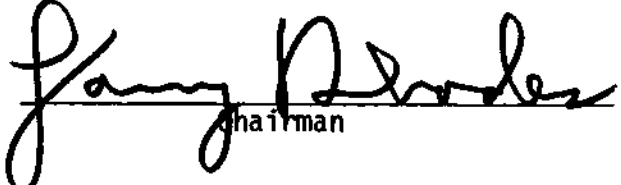
#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Water Resources Congress meeting will be held June 3 - 5, in Washington D.C., and at this time are plans for the FWA Congressional Delegation Breakfast. Commr. Fortson moved that members and staff be authorized to attend at WCIND expense; motion seconded and carried.

NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE: The Board concurred that the June meeting will be held Monday, June 18, 1979, in Sarasota County Courthouse.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

  
Assistant Secretary

  
Chairman