

The December meeting of the Commissioners, of the WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT, was held December 13, 1971, in the Commission Chambers, Manatee County Courthouse, Bradenton, Florida.

Present were: Ellsworth G. Simmons, Chairman, Hillsborough County
 Larry Rhodes, Secretary, Sarasota County
 Dan P. McClure, Treasurer, Manatee County
 H. William Thompson, Charlotte County
 A. Oliver McEachern, Pinellas County

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

Absent was: Kenneth W. Daniels, Vice Chairman, Lee County

Guest: Mr. Carl E. Weller, Venice, Florida

ADMINISTRATION

The meeting convened at 10:30 a.m.

Minutes of the November 15, 1971 meeting were approved as presented.

The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.
 Vouchers #6796 through #6825 were approved for payment.

ACTIVITIES REPORT

Charlotte County

SCL Railroad Bridge, Placida, Florida - The Director reported that he had visited the site on December 9 to personally notify a squatter that he had been occupying property which he did not own and the Director followed this visit with a letter confirming same and stating that WCIND would assume no responsibility if he remains there during dredging operations; the squatter, Mr. Thomas Booker, was so notified that he would have to move. Also, the WCIND has received a Dredge & Fill Permit Certificate from the Department of Pollution Control and the Dredge Permit from the TIFP has been received for approximately 20,000 cubic yards to be removed from the area.

WCIND recently received a request for authorization from the SCL Railroad Company for an additional Charge under the contract for removal of test pilings for a minimum of \$1,600 depending upon the equipment used. This was referred to J. E. Greiner Company, Inc., WCIND consulting engineer for the project; their reply was received this morning stating that they do not recommend WCIND approves this additional expense inasmuch as the pilings can be left in place. Commr. McClure moved that WCIND accept the consulting engineer's report not to accept the additional charge for removal of test pilings since these can remain in position; the motion carried.

Sarasota County

Bid for Property Clearance - Manasota Key - Mr. Mathew Graham submitted his bid for clearance to Mr. J. K. Maddin whose property is adjacent to WCIND property in need of clearance. Mr. Maddin forwarded the bid to WCIND. The bid in the amount of \$1,500 proposes clean-up of entire property of all old palm fronds and debris and then removing from property. WCIND received a complaint last month from Mr. Maddin that a fire hazard exists there due to overgrowth on WCIND property. Commissioner Rhodes and the Director were asked to inspect the site and report back to the board. Commr. Rhodes stated that Sarasota County procedure was to have such locations declared a health hazard and have the Health Department make the inspection. Commr. McClure asked if anyone had worked with the Forestry Service since this service may be of help. Commissioner Rhodes reported the County has good liaison with the Forestry Service but had made no such requests. The Chairman stated that WCIND could not begin to cover all WCIND property for the clearance of normal overgrowth unless there is a health or fire hazard as it would be impractical otherwise. Mr. Dye advised that WCIND has six lots located in the area and WCIND could be asked to do the same for these; also, a recent law passed for that area has a provision that makes it unlawful for anyone to destroy any natural vegetation. Commr. Rhodes was directed by the Chairman to investigate for WCIND liability and make his recommendation to the board at the next meeting.

CONTRACTS: Sale of Spoil - Morrison Trucking Company was permitted to remove 1,000 cubic yards from S/A S3-4, for 25¢ /cubic yard, the same price being received from Sarasota County, and the Director asked for board confirmation. Commr. McClure moved that confirmation of approval be given; the motion carried.

Wendel Kent Company - has made payment in full for the spoil removed from S/A S3-4, as previously authorized by the board.

Sarasota County - holds a revised contract for purchase of 100,000 cu. yds., from S/A S3-4, which stipulates removal of a minimum of 10,000 cu. yds. during contract period. Commr. Thompson moved that this contract be approved as revised; the motion carried.

County Board of Public Instruction - requests the right to use as temporary haul-road easement near Venice High School the waterway maintenance roadway; the canal banks are to be adequately protected. Commr. Rhodes moved that the County request be approved; the motion carried.

Bob Rigby, Rigby Trucking, Nokomis - requests a third year renewal of his contract for MSA S3-3 spoil material at the same terms of ten cents per cubic yard, with a minimum payment of \$100 per month. Commr. McClure moved that the contract renewal be approved per the Director's recommendation; the motion carried.

RYWELL CORPORATION Request: Mr. Carl E. Weller - Mr. Dye presented the recommended and agreed to provisions for Mr. Weller, part-owner of this corporation, for the application request for a

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marina development to be considered; sketch and photo were displayed. A pertinent limitation states that no food, fuel, or similar service supplies can be sold at the marina dock area for which WCIND approval is requested. Mr. Dye listed the WCIND provisions for permit application and stated that such permit will be cancelable by WCIND. The Corps of Engineers must first approve the dock construction. The property is located in Venice, north of Center Line Bridge. Commr. McClure moved that the proposal statements as presented by Mr. Dye and agreed to by Mr. C. E. Weller for Rywell Corporation be approved by WCIND subject to a) Corps of Engineers primary function and responsibility to see to it for clearance through the waterway and b) WCIND Counsel's recommendation; the motion carried.

Mr. Dye reaffirmed that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers controls the Use of the Waterway, and WCIND is responsible for Real Estate on the Waterway.

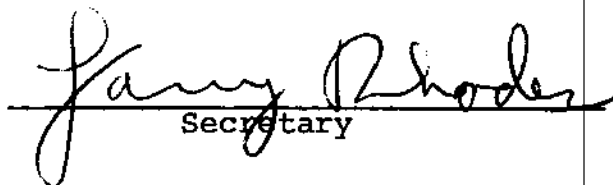
Pinellas County

Spoil Areas - The Director presented sketches of spoil areas. The survey reports cover Cuts P-15 and P-16, across from John's Pass; and P-30 through P-41, St. Joseph Sound area. Maintenance dredging is scheduled for May, 1972 as the CE recently advised WCIND. Commr. McEachern reported that Dunedin to Tarpon Springs area for public beach is in dire need of spoil material; also Pinellas County Parks have a need. The need is so great in both areas that local governments will be glad to cooperate if hauling cost is not prohibitive. The Chairman suggested that the board direct Colonel Furbee to work with Commr. McEachern and the local governmental agencies to use this material. Commr. Rhodes moved that this proposal be approved; the motion carried. The Director stated that this plan would be easier than prior attempts to follow through for spoil disposal needs.

The Activities Report was accepted as presented.

NEXT MEETING DATE - It was agreed that the next board meeting will be held Monday, January 17, 1972.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.


Secretary


Chairman

W.C.I.N.D.

ACTIVITIES REPORT

November 15, 1971 - December 13, 1971

I.

A.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY1. Placida, Florida, SCL Railroad Bridge - Status Report:

a) Dredge Certification (#253.123-720) was received and forwarded to J. E. Greiner Company, Inc., to be given to the dredging contractor. A visit, by the Director, December 9, to the spoil area was made for the purpose of informing Mr. Thomas Booker that he was occupying property which he did not own and that the WCIND would assume no responsibility if he remains on the spoil island during the dredging operation. The Charlotte County Sheriff's Department provided marine transportation for the Director.

b) A request for authorization was received from the SCL Railroad Company for an additional Charge under the contract for the contractor to remove the test piling; without use of a compressor - \$1,600, with a compressor - \$4,000. The Director advised SCL that the request would be evaluated by WCIND's consulting engineer, J. E. Greiner Company, Inc.; and counsel, Mr. D. A. Dye, Jr.

B.

SARASOTA COUNTY

1. Bid was received from Mr. Mathew Graham to clear lot adjacent to Mr. John K. Maddin's property on North Manasota Key for \$1,500. This was referred to Mr. Dye and Commissioner Rhodes.
2. Mr. Dale Morrison, Morrison Trucking Company, requests 1,000 cubic yards of spoil material from S/A S3-4. Authorization for removal was given after site meeting with Mr. Morrison to designate specific area from which spoil was to be removed. Board approval is requested.
3. Final payment was received in the amount of \$1,404 for 5,616 cubic yards of spoil from S/A S3-4.
4. Received letter of request from Mr. Carl E. Weller, Venice, for permission to install dock and basin facilities on WCIND right-of-way in accordance with directions by WCIND Board of Commissioners, November 15, 1971. Request was referred to Mr. Dye to process a contract.

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5. Revised Contract was forwarded to SARASOTA COUNTY for their purchase of 100,000 cubic yards of spoil material from S/A S3-4 with the stipulation for the removal of a minimum of 10,000 cubic yards during the period of the contract.
6. Sarasota County Board of Public Instruction requests the right to use the waterway maintenance roadway.
7. Mr. Robert Rigby, Bob Rigby Trucking, Nokomis, has requested contract for maintenance Spoil Area S3-3. He requests a renewal of his hauling contract which expired December 11, 1971, at the same terms which are: ten cents per cubic yard with a minimum of \$100 per month.

C. PINELLAS COUNTY

1. An aerial survey, December 10, 1971, is planned by the Director and Mr. Dye in order to determine possible areas for the placement of the spoil from the programmed maintenance dredging which is scheduled to begin in June, 1972.

II. FLORIDA WATERWAYS ASSOCIATION Convention, December 3, 1971- Chairman Simmons, Mr. Dye, and Colonel Furbee attended the FWA convention in Tampa. In open membership, it was moved and voted to change the name of the FWA to:

FLORIDA PORTS AND WATER RESOURCES ASSOCIATION.

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