

AUGUST 15, 1951

The regular meeting of the West Coast Inland Navigation District was held at the Courthouse in Bradenton, Florida, Wednesday, August 15th, 1951 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
Pinellas County	James R. Shoecraft, Member
Sarasota County	W. L. Woodard, Secretary

Present also were Joe K. Merrin Engineer, and J. Ben Fuqua, Attorney.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ball.

Minutes of previous meeting of July 11, 1951 were read by Secretary Woodard and approved on motion by Mr. Stringfellow, seconded by Mr. McLeod with exception as follows:

Time deposit was extended for six months on motion by Mr. McLeod and seconded by Mr. Woodard. (Previous motion shows extension for thirty days.)

On motion by Mr. Stringfellow, seconded by Mr. Shoecraft, resolution from the Venice City Council, approving right-of-way, was accepted.

Report submitted by J. E. McLeod, Treasurer, was approved on motion by Mr. Stringfellow and seconded by Mr. Woodard.

On motion by Mr. Stringfellow, seconded by Mr. Shoecraft, bills shown on vouchers numbered from 458 through 467 were approved for payment.

Engineer's report was submitted by J. K. Merrin.

Motion was made by Mr. Stringfellow that petition presented by citizens and property-owners in Venice area be accepted and route designated as "Seaboard Route" be approved. Motion was seconded by

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Mr. McLeod and carried.

Col. Tyler, director, Florida Waterway Congress, conferred briefly with the Board concerning the Coastal waterway.

Motion was made by Mr. McLeod that Engineer Merrin and Attorney Fuqua be instructed to notify property owners along the proposed and accepted route. Motion was seconded by Mr. Weeks and carried.

Motion was made by Mr. McLeod that Congressman J. Hardin Peterson be authorized and requested to draw necessary bill and present to Congress of the United States for approval of Inter-coastal Waterway Route running immediately west of and adjoining the Seaboard Air Line Railway right-of-way, over the former routes known as the "Higel Route" and "Route No. 1", (

.) Motion was seconded by Mr. Shoecraft and carried.

On motion by Mr. Stringfellow, seconded by Mr. Weeks, Mr. Woodard was authorized to have stationery printed for the district.

On motion by Mr. McLeod, seconded by Mr. Stringfellow, the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, September 12, 1951 at 2:00 p.m.

W. L. Woodard
Secretary

J. H. Ball
Chairman

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