

November 21, 1955

The regular meeting of the West Coast Inland Navigation District was held in the court house in Bradenton, Florida Monday, November 21st, 1955 at 2:00 p.m.

Present were

Ellsworth Simmons, Chairman	Hillsborough County
Matt Weeks, Vice Chairman	Charlotte County
Wilson Pigott, Secretary	Lee County
Herman Burnett, Treasurer	Manatee County
Charles R. Fischer, Member	Pinellas County
Col. G. M. Nelson, Member	Sarasota, County

Dewey A. Dye, Jr., Attorney, J. K. Merrin, Engineer, J. Hardin Peterson, Special Attorney and Fred W. Ball, Executive Secretary.

The meeting was called to order by Ellsworth Simmons, Chairman.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved on motion by Mr. Pigott, seconded by Col. Nelson and carried.

Chairman Simmons stated that the reason for the postponement of this meeting, scheduled to have been held Monday, November 14, 1955, was due to the necessity of members of the Boards of County Commissioners meeting with the State Road Department regarding 1956 budget appropriations for the various counties.

Mr. Dye reported that Lot 14, Bay Shore Estates, had been acquired by Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Newton, and that a portion of the lot was in the right of way and that a building was now under construction (preliminary layouts, etc); that the owners were willing to accept \$695.00, based upon appraisal value, and the contractor had agreed to release from damages for \$400.00.

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Upon recommendation by Mr. Dye that settlement be made for that portion of Lot No. 14 lying within the right of way, motion was made by Mr. Burnett that payment be made as follows:

B. Larz and Nancy S. Newton, for that portion of Lot No. 14, Bay Shore Estates, in the right-of-way	\$695.00
Jack C. Lenhart, General Contractor, for release from damages (House layout)	400.00

Motion was seconded by Col. Nelson and carried.

Col. Nelson reported that he had met with the Mayor of the City of Venice and that a resolution would be adopted by the council approving Route C-1, with certain provisions, and that as soon as it (the resolution) was received by the Board of County Commissioners of Sarasota County a similar resolution would be adopted by that body and copy forwarded to the West Coast Inland Navigation District.

Report in brief of the meeting with Col. Kirkpatrick, U. S. Corps of Engineers, in Jacksonville, Florida, Monday, November 7th 1955, was given by Chairman Simmons, and discussed by members of the Board. All members, except Mr. Weeks and Mr. Fisher had attended the meeting.

Motion was made by Mr. Pigott that the following resolution be adopted, subject to this Board receiving resolutions from other agencies (City of Venice and County of Sarasota) involved. Motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson and carried unanimously:

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A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the District Engineer, Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville, Fla. is preparing a special report on the alternate C-1 route section of the authorized Gulf Intracoastal Waterway as called for by Section 105 of the River and Harbor Act approved September 3, 1954;

WHEREAS, the location of alternate C-1 route and related bridges has been formally approved by the State Road Department of Florida, by the Board of County Commissioners of Sarasota County, and by the City Council of the City of Venice, Fla.;

NOW, THEREFORE be it resolved that the West Coast Inland Navigation District requests that the Intracoastal Waterway, Caloosahatchee River to Anclote River be constructed along alternate C-1 route, including construction of bridges as necessary to maintain the existing alignment of U. S. Highway 41 through the City of Venice. The alignment C-1 is that referred to on U. S. Corps of Engineers' map titled "Intracoastal Waterway, Alternate Route C-1, Right-of-Way Requirements, "Dated October 1954, file No. 41-H-22,855.

Mr. Dye reported that the owners of Lot No.12, Blk G., B.S. Estates, had agreed to sell for the appraised value of \$9,000.00. On motion by Mr. Pigott, seconded by Mr. Weeks, payment for the lot was authorized to be made to the owners, Wesley M. and Mary Loree Bjorklund, for \$9,000.00 when funds were available.

On motion by Mr. Burnett, seconded by Mr. Pigott, the following resolution was unanimously adopted: (recorded page

Mr. Dye submitted a bill for appraisal services, based on \$10.00 per hour for each man. On motion by Col. Nelson, seconded by Mr. Weeks, \$410.00 each was authorized paid to R. H. Lopshire and J. H. McArthur.

Mr. Dye reported that he had again been in contact with the Board of Public Instruction of Sarasota County and that its attorney had again assured him that that Board would cooperate

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with the West Coast Inland Navigation District by accepting appraised value of lands and that a formal report would be ready for presentation to this Board by the next meeting.

Mr. Merrin presented a map showing bridges and access routes proposed in the Venice area as requested prepared by the U. S. Corps of Engineers. On motion by Mr. Burnett, seconded by Mr. Weeks, the maps were approved to be made for the Corps of Engineers, said map to be adopted to be filed as official map for condemnation proceedings.

The treasurer's report was given by Mr. Burnett and accepted on motion by Mr. Pigott, seconded by Mr. Fishcer and carried.

On motion by Mr. Burnett, seconded by Mr. Weeks, vouchers dated November 21, 1955 were approved for payment.

In discussing acquisition of rights-of-way problems, etc., Mr. Simmons said that it was recognized by the Corps of Engineers in Jacksonville that much progress had been made in the last few months and that acquisition of the necessary rights-of-way would expedite the project.

Motion was made by Col. Nelson that meetings of the District be held the second Monday in each month until further notice. Motion was seconded by Mr. Pigott and carried.

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, pursuant to due authorization the Commissioners of The West Coast Inland Navigation District, a Special Taxing District of the State of Florida, have had a part of the intracoastal waterway canal right of way in Sarasota County located and surveyed and have designated the same as the Venice Section of Alternate Route C-1, and have prepared a map showing the location and survey of that portion of said section extending from Rattlesnake Island at Venice Inlet, thence in Southerly and Southeasterly direction to Lemon Bay, and

