

**WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT
APPROVED MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 6, 2018 BOARD MEETING
VENICE CITY HALL
VENICE, FLORIDA**

Commissioners Present

Charles Hines, Chair
Larry Kiker, Vice Chair
Carol Whitmore, Secretary
Stephen R. Deutsch, Treasurer

Staff Present

Justin D. McBride, Executive Director
Jed Schneck, Legal Counsel

Chair, Charles Hines opened the meeting at 4:12 p.m., with the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA CHANGES – None

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

1. CONSENT AGENDA -

**Commissioner Kiker motioned to approve the consent agenda.
Commissioner Deutsch seconded the motion.
Motion approved unanimously.**

2. AGENCY COMMENTS/PRESENTATIONS –

- a. US Army Corps of Engineers - Mr. McBride noted that we are still working with the Army Corps on the Venice Dredging Project, awaiting the FDEP permit.
- b. Department of Environmental Protection – Mr. McBride noted that one application has been submitted for reimbursement for the Big Carlos Dredging Project.
- c. US Coast Guard - Mr. McBride note that we are working with them on the Battle of the Bridges.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA –

Charlotte County's request to increase Law Enforcement percentage for FY2018-2019

**Commissioner Deutsch motioned to approve the Charlotte County WDP request for Law Enforcement percentage increase for FY2018-2019.
Commissioner Kiker seconded the motion.
Motion approved unanimously.**

FY 2018-2019 Meeting Schedule

**Commissioner Whitmore motioned to adopt option “B” meeting schedule.
Commissioner Deutsch seconded the motion.
Motion approved unanimously.**

Budget Discussion

Mr. McBride asked if there were any questions or comments. There were no questions or comments.

4. OLD BUSINESS –

- a. Continuing work with USACE on DROP/Venice Dredging – addressed under agency comments/presentations.

5. NEW BUSINESS – None

6. WCIND COUNSEL’S REPORT – None

7. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT –

Manatee County

- Warner’s Bayou project out for Bid.
- Preparing bid documents for Highland Shores Dredging Project.
- Working with County Staff on Warner’s Bayou Shoreline Project.
- Working with County Staff on support for Palma Sola Boat Ramp.

Charlotte County

- Working on multiple encroachment issues on Palm Island.
- Engaged with Manchester Waterway Issue.

Lee County

- Preparing bid documents for Broadway Hogue and Intrepid Waters Dredge Project.
- Providing Support to City of Bonita Springs Dredge Project.
- Providing technical assistance to Pineland Channel.

Sarasota County

- Providing support to local rowing club with Battle of Bridges event.
- Working with County Staff on Lyons Bay Dredging – Consultant engaged for survey and permitting work.
- Securing property from adjacent landowners for dock expansion of VPD/SCSO dock.
- Engaged with SCPR on tree removal issue at Venice High School.

Regional/District Projects

- Continuing work on updates to 66A
- Derelict Vessel Initiatives
 - ✓ Contract out for bid on removal of 14 vessels
 - ✓ DV Regional Specialist is working with FFWCC and local LE Departments.
- Working with USACE in preparation for Corps dredge project of Venice Inlet and GIWW in Venice.
- Working with USACE on DROP project to facilitate a Programmatic Environmental Assessment (EA) or Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to address the general environmental issues and concerns at a broad project level.
- Working with DEP on a management strategy for DEP owned Spoil Islands that have WCIND/USACE spoil placement easements on them.
- Working with DEP and Tow Boat Companies on Seagrass issues.

8. COMMISSIONER ITEMS –

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME: September 13, 2018 at 5:01 p.m. Final TRIM Hearing, and November 9, 2018 at 10:00 A.M., regular meeting if needed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:38 p.m. and reconvene at 5:01 for the First TRIM Hearing.



Charles Hines, Chair



Carol Whitmore, Secretary