

IBERIA PARISH LEVEE, HURRICANE, AND CONSERVATION  
DISTRICT REPORT

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DATE: Thursday, May 3, 2012

TIME: Six (6:00) O'Clock P.M.

ATTENDANCE: Ronnie Gonsoulin, James Landry, Frank Minvielle,  
Ben Langlinois, William Patout, and Ronald Hebert,  
Jr.

ABSENT: Alfred "Todd" Landry, James Stein, and Scott  
Saunier.

OTHERS: Marc Berard - Berard, Habetz, and Associates, Oneil  
Malbrough - Shaw Group, Councilman Marty Trahan,  
Jacques Cousin - Legal Counsel, and Ricky  
Brouillette.

I. ROLL CALL

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Jimmy Landry, seconded by Mr. Frank Minvielle, that the minutes of the April 16, 2012 Iberia Parish Levee, Hurricane, and Conservation District be approved.

And the motion was therefore passed on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2012.

II. ACTIONS TO BE DISCUSSED

A. Mr. Ricky Brouillette - report on the South Central Study.

Mr. Brouillette stated that the draft report is to be finalized in the next two weeks and that he will be able to provide copies at the next meeting. He explained that the study follows the Corps of Engineers recon approach of existing conditions, problem identification, and opportunities, etc. He noted that the Iberia Parish Levee District Plan is in the State Master Plan and is also discussed in this study.

Mr. William Patout entered the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

B. Mr. Oneil Malbrough - discuss ideas for public meetings.

Mr. Malbrough stated that Shaw is ready and willing to assist the District with its needs in regards to public meetings. He suggested forming a task force to develop a plan of ideas in order to promote a tax election. This would include three members of the District and members of other organizations who would assess the problem and formulate ideas to sell the tax. He committed to moving this forward and holding public meetings at the Districts request.

C. Preliminary discussion on a tax election date.

Chairman Gonsoulin stated that in conversation with Mr. Jason Akers, Foley & Judell LLP it was suggested that the District consider December for a tax election; allowing them to collect funds the following year.

Mr. Gonsoulin handed out a list of contacts for the Iberia Parish School Board members requesting that the District members begin speaking with them in upcoming week to question their thoughts on

the Levee District gaining five mills from the School Board.

Mr. Ronald Hebert commented that he'd rather concentrate on making presentations to inform the citizens of Iberia Parish for the need of a levee rather than trying to persuade the School Board members to release mills to the District. He noted that he thought the District would not receive the support from the School Board on such endeavor.

Mr. William Patout commented that no individual is going to consider giving up money, he suggested to only consider a tax and be done with it.

Mr. Gonsoulin thanked the members for their comments and requested that they contact the those members for their support of a tax.

D. Discussion of presentations to be made to organizations and/or area municipalities.

Chairman Gonsoulin announced that there will be presentations made, as follows:

1. The Village of Loreauville meeting on Monday, May 14, 2012 at 5:30 p.m.
2. The Kiwanians Club meeting on Thursday, May 17, 2012 at noon at the Ramada Inn.

Mr. Gonsoulin requested that all members attempt to attend these presentations. Attempts are being made to have the Rotary and Optimist Clubs attend the Kiwanians Club meeting on that day to join in on the presentation.

E. Approval of Invoices #212157 and #212184 to Berard, Habetz, and Associates.

A motion was made by Mr. Ben Langlinais, seconded by Mr. Jimmy Landry approving payment of Invoice #212157 in the amount of \$3,411.50 and Invoice #212184 in the amount of \$732.50 to Berard, Habetz, and Associates.

And the motion was therefore passed on this 3rd day of May, 2012.

### III. OTHER BUSINESS

Council secretary provided the District members with information regarding their yearly Ethics Training Session and their Financial Disclosure Forms.

Mr. Jimmy Landry recommended that a Committee be formed to start the scheduling for Shaw's public presentations. He suggested that the Committee decide on locations, etc. which would report back to the District at it's next meeting. Mr. Gonsoulin suggested that this Committee also meet with Mr. Rick Patout of Promotional Images.

It was then decided that Mr. Ben Langlinais, Mr. Scott Saunier, Mr. James Landry, and Mr. Marc Bernard will form a task force to meet with Mr. Rick Patout of Promotional Images.

Mr. Gonsoulin announced that there is a Coastal Wetlands Planning Meeting on June 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. in Lafayette at the Wetlands Center, should anyone like to attend.

Chairman Gonsoulin stated that the next meeting of the District will be held on Thursday, June 7, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

IV. ADJOURN

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. James Landry seconded by Mr. Frank Minvielle, that the District does hereby adjourn.

All members present voted affirmatively and the motion carried unanimously.

I hereby certify the fore going to be exact and true:

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Ronnie Gonsoulin, Chairman