

IBERIA PARISH LEVEE, HURRICANE, AND CONSERVATION
DISTRICT REPORT

DATE: Thursday, August 2, 2012

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

ATTENDANCE: Frank Minvielle, Ben Langlinais, William Patout,
James Stein, James Landry, and Ronald Hebert, Jr.

ABSENT: Scott Saunier, Alfred "Todd" Landry, and Ronnie
Gonsoulin.

OTHERS: Grant Schlueter - Foley & Judell, LLP, Glenn Ledet
- Shaw, John Charpentier - Berard, Habetz &
Associates, Rick Patout - Promotional Images, Pat
Landry - Coastal Protection and Restoration
Authority, and Jacques Cousin - Legal Counsel.

Chairman Gonsoulin and Vice-Chair Alfred "Todd" Landry were both
absent, therefore, Mr. James Stein assumed the position of
Chairman.

I. ROLL CALL

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Frank Minvielle, seconded by Mr. Ben
Langlinais, that the minutes of the July 5, 2012 Iberia Parish
Levee, Hurricane, and Conservation District be approved.

And the motion was therefore passed on this 2nd day of August,
2012.

II. ACTIONS TO BE DISCUSSED

- A. Mr. Grant Schlueter, Foley & Judell, LLP - preliminary
discussion on a proposed tax election date.

Mr. Schlueter, Foley and Judell, LLP stated that he was asked to
attend the meeting in order to discuss a bond and/or tax election.
He informed the members that upcoming dates for elections would be
December 8, 2012, April 6 and/or May 4, 2013. He stated that the
deadline to call an election for December 8th would be by September
6th Resolution, being the actual proposition that would appear on
the ballot. The Iberia Parish Council would be required to approve
it at its September 12th meeting and from there filing with the
State Bond Commission.

Mr. Ben Langlinais stated that he feels that there is not enough
time to call an election for a December 8, 2012. He suggested that
they continue to make presentations and educate the public before
going to the voters. He noted that he approached Mr. Will Chapman
with the Daily Iberian and he is willing to help the District in
running a series of articles.

Upon questioning regarding the legality of the newspaper
interviewing members of the District and writing non-paid articles,
Mr. Jacques Cousin, Legal Counsel agreed that it would be legal to
do as long as the ads are not paid for, but simply being a news
article. Mr. Schlueter added that the prohibition is that you
cannot use public funds to advocate passage of any ballot measure,
but you can use public funds for the dissemination of factual

information concerning the proposal. For example, you can have a brochure saying "vote on December 8th", but you can't say "vote yes on December 8th". He further explained that you can list what the millage would be, what the cost would be to various classifications of taxpayers (how much they pay), and what you're going to do with the money (e.g. improvements you're going to build and operations). Mr. Cousin suggested that the District select one member to be the designated spokes person to correlate with the newspaper.

Mr. Schlueter continued explaining that if the District would like to proceed with an election on April 6, 2013, at the latest a Resolution would need to be adopted calling the election in early December. Should they like to call an election for May 4, 2013, at the latest, they would need to adopt a Resolution either late January or early February.

Mr. Schlueter explained that when asking for a millage the District would call the election and place it on the ballot, etc. Should the District consider calling a Sales Tax Election, they currently do not have the authority under State Law to vote and impose a sales tax, but needs authority from the Legislature to do so. The only available avenue to call for a Sales Tax Election would be through the Iberia Parish Council and having a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the two for the use of the funds. If this were to transpire, he suggested that the Parish create a Sales Tax District with boundaries exactly the same as the Levee District's boundaries. The Parish Council would be the governing authority of the Sales Tax District and would submit the proposal to the voters to impose a sales tax, but limited for purposes of the Levee District. He noted that the legal capacity that is now available to the Parish is three quarters of 1%, without further Legislative approval.

It was suggested that the District have an item placed on the Council's Executive Committee Agenda to start discussing a time frame to bring up a proposal.

B. Mr. Ricky Huval, Iberia Parish Assessor - discussion on millages.

Mr. Ricky Huval was not present to discuss millages.

C. Mr. Rick Patout, Promotional Images - discussion on promotional efforts.

Mr. Patout explained that he will now be a subcontractor through the funds already granted to Shaw. He then gave several words of advice, as to seeking public interest and positive reactions. He stated that he will use the money left from Shaw to clean up the slide presentation and make it less lengthy, approximately six minutes. Mr. Patout stated that as soon as Shaw sends him a purchase order he will be able to start work and have something ready in a couple of weeks for the two public meetings. Mr. Glenn Ledet stated that Shaw will send a purchase order to Mr. Patout as soon as possible, in the total amount of \$8,750.

III. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Pat Landry with the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority introduced himself, stating that his office is currently doing some restructuring and that he will now attend the meetings. He also stated that they are in the infancy stages of working on the South Central Study and would like to discuss at a later date.

It was stated that there will be a Task Force meeting on September

12th at the Wildlife & Fisheries Office in Baton Rouge for those who would like to attend.

It was stated that the Industrial Development Foundation will be conducting their meeting on August 9th at 7:30 a.m. with a presentation from the Levee District.

Mr. Stein stated that the next meeting of the District will be held on Thursday, September 6, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

IV. ADJOURN

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Ronald Hebert, Jr. 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:

James Stein, Acting Chairman