

IBERIA PARISH LEVEE, HURRICANE, AND CONSERVATION
DISTRICT REPORT

DATE: Thursday, December 1, 2011

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

ATTENDANCE: James Landry, Ronnie Gonsoulin, William Patout,
Frank Minvielle, Alfred "Todd" Landry,

ABSENT: James Stein, Scott Saunier, Ben Langlinais, and
Ronald Hebert, Jr.

OTHERS: Rickey Brouillette - La. Office of Coastal
Restoration and Protection, Glenn Ledet and Seneca
Tuson - Shaw Group, Marc Berard - Berard, Habetz &
Associates, Romo Romero, and Jason Akers - Foley
and Judell, LLP.

I. ROLL CALL

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Frank Minvielle, seconded by Mr. James Landry, that the minutes of the November 3, 2011 Iberia Parish Levee, Hurricane, and Conservation District be approved.

And the motion was therefore passed on this 1st day of December 2011.

II. ACTIONS TO BE DISCUSSED

- A. Office of Coastal Protection and Restoration to address the District regarding the 2012 State Master Plan.

Mr. Rickey Brouillette presented a map depicting projects under evaluation for inclusion in Louisiana's 2012 Coastal Master Plan, which includes the Iberia Parish projected levee alignment. He further explained details that the map depicts and how they would have positive affects towards Iberia Parish's protection. He did point out that not all projects would be selected for the Costal Master Plan and that the state is currently evaluating and modeling these projects looking at the benefits and cost to determine which will stay in the plan. He noted that after the first of the year they will be conducting a round of public meetings, which he encouraged the District to participate in.

- B. Shaw Group, LLC to present a cost estimate for the District's levee plan.

Chairman Gonsoulin stated that Shaw is still in the process of evaluating aspects of the project for a cost estimate.

- C. Discuss the District's financing.

Chairman Gonsoulin handed out a informational sheet regarding a sales tax and an ad valorem tax. He stated that the time line is approaching for the call of an election to begin the collection of revenues for the District and that the District needs to decide which route they will take in order to achieve funding.

Chairman Gonsoulin welcomed Mr. Jason Akers of Foley and Judell, LLP. He stated that the State Bond Commission will provide an Ad

Hoc Meeting for the April 21st election, which has given the District an additional month giving them the ability to call an election in January. He stated that both taxes (ad valorem and sales tax) are not contingent upon each other and can be done separately. If the District chooses to have a sales tax election in April, revenue can be earned as early as July 1, 2012. An ad valorem tax which is levied once a year will generate revenue starting January 2013. Mr. Akers also informed the District that there has been a decrease in assessed value of Iberia Parish. He stated that every 1 mill levied should bring in about \$450,000 for the District.

Mr. Gonsoulin then questioned levels of aggressiveness that the District would like to pursue in calling an election. Mr. Frank Minvielle suggested pursuing the sales tax first due to possible resistance of citizens. Mr. Akers suggested to promote the idea of a tax as a two part process from the start of promotion and call for each tax one at a time. The District and guest discussed the idea of needing to present the idea of a tax election to the citizens prior to calling a tax. Depending on the feedback from the citizens, the District would then decide which tax to propose. As a general consensus it was decided to delay calling an election until further information is gathered from the general public.

Mr. Jimmy Landry suggested creating a Committee to present a road show during the month of January. It was then discussed to create a prerecorded film of a levee proposal which includes the District members reviewing a PowerPoint, etc. Prerecording a film would allow all citizens to receive the same general message. Several ideas were presented on how and where the presentation could be presented.

III. OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman Gonsoulin stated that the next meeting of the District will be held on Thursday, January 5, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

IV. ADJOURN

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Alfred "Todd" 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:

Ronnie Gonsoulin, Chairman