

IBERIA PARISH LEVEE, HURRICANE,  
AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Thursday, July 6, 2017

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

PLACE: Iberia Parish Courthouse, Council Chambers  
300 Iberia Street - 4th Floor, New Iberia, LA 70560

ATTENDANCE: James Stein, Benson Langlinais, Roy Pontiff,  
James Landry, Lauren Brown, and Patrick  
Broussard.

ABSENT: Edwin Leblanc, Scott Ransonet, and Ronald Gonsoulin.

OTHERS: Executive Director Ray Fremin, Pat Landry, Ralph  
Libersat,

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman James Stein called the meeting to order.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman James Stein announced that minutes of June 1, 2017 were  
not sent out and will be ready for the next meeting.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS

None.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED

(Comments accepted from the general public)

A motion was made by Roy Pontiff, seconded by Lauren Brown, that  
the Iberia Parish Levee, Hurricane, and Conservation District  
does hereby recess its Special Session and convene into Public  
Hearing to receive public comments on business to be discussed.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: James Stein, Benson Langlinais, Roy Pontiff, James Landry, Lauren Brown, and Patrick Broussard.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSENT: Edwin Leblanc, Scott Ransonet, and Ronald Gonsoulin.

And the motion was therefore passed on this 6th day of July, 2017.

Upon hearing no comments, a motion was made by Ben Langlinais, seconded by Patrick Broussard, that the Iberia Parish Levee, Hurricane, and Conservation District does hereby recess its Public Hearing and reconvene into Special Session.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: James Stein, Benson Langlinais, Roy Pontiff, James Landry, Lauren Brown, and Patrick Broussard.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSENT: Edwin Leblanc, Scott Ransonet, and Ronald Gonsoulin.

And the motion was therefore passed on this 6th day of July, 2017.

#### DIRECTOR'S REPORT

##### A. Balance

Executive Director Ray Fremin, Jr. reported an account balance of \$96,009.98. Mr. Fremin also provided the members of the District with a budget comparison sheet for the first half of the year and stated that he projects that the year will finish \$2,200 under budget.

##### B. Report

Executive Director Ray Fremin, Jr. reported that a Capital Outlay request for a \$300,000 for planning on Commercial Canal is in Priority 2.

Mr. Fremin reported that he with several others met with the Army Corps of Engineers regarding potential programs available to the District. He noted that said programs require matching amounts that the District currently does not have.

Mr. Fremin reported that he along with officials from the Parish and District and surrounding areas went and visited Terrebonne Parish and saw all of the flood protection work completed by the Terrebonne Levee District.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Receipt of Executive Summary from CPRA related to the H&H analysis and model for the flood protection system.

Mr. Fremin reported that he received the draft H & H Study, the analysis, and modeling which are to be further reviewed.

Mr. Ralph Libersat and Mr. Pat Landry provided an update on behalf of Vermillion Parish on the Bayou Tigre Structure which is currently on hold.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Notice is hereby given that at its meeting on Tuesday, August 8, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers, 4th Floor Main Courthouse Building, 300 Iberia Street, New Iberia, Louisiana the Board of Commissioners of the Iberia Parish Levee, Hurricane and Conservation District, plans to consider a Resolution ordering and calling an election to be held within the District to authorize the levee of an ad valorem tax.

NOTE:(the intended date of the election is November 18, 2017, pending further approvals.)

Executive Director Ray Fremin, Jr. advised that this is the official announcement that the District will consider calling an election at the Tuesday, August 8, 2017 meeting. Mr. Fremin then informed the members of the District of the multiple steps regarding the call of said election. Upon questioning, Mr. Fremin clarified that the District will be able to call the election with approval by the Parish Council.

A motion was made by Roy Pontiff, seconded by Patrick Broussard, that the Iberia Parish Levee, Hurricane, and Conservation District does hereby adopt a Resolution that notice is hereby given that at its meeting on Tuesday, August 8, 2017 at 6:00

p.m. at the Council Chambers, 4th Floor Main Courthouse Building, 300 Iberia Street, New Iberia, Louisiana the Board of Commissioners of the Iberia Parish Levee, Hurricane and Conservation District, plans to consider a Resolution ordering and calling an election to be held within the District to authorize the levee of an ad valorem tax. (Resolution No. 2017-12)

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: James Stein, Benson Langlinais, Roy Pontiff, James Landry, Lauren Brown, and Patrick Broussard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Edwin Leblanc, Scott Ransonet, and Ronald Gonsoulin.

And the Resolution was therefore passed on this 6th day of July, 2017.

B. Discuss and consider a Resolution requesting The Iberia Parish Council Support of the Flood Relief Initiative of a dedicated millage for funding of the Iberia Flood Protection System, by authorizing and approving the election call and also requesting the Parish Council to fund the cost of the election of approximately \$20,000.00.

Upon questioning, Mr. Fremin informed the members of the District that the Secretary of State advised that the cost of said election would be approximately \$20,000.

Chairman Stein noted that there are additional funds in an election line item that the Council may use should additional funding be necessary.

Upon continued discussion it was recommended that said Resolution be amended to change said dollar amount to \$30,000.

A motion was made by Benson Langlinais, seconded by Patrick Broussard, that the Iberia Parish Levee, Hurricane, and Conservation District does hereby adopt a Resolution requesting The Iberia Parish Council Support of the Flood Relief Initiative of a dedicated millage for funding of the Iberia Flood Protection System, by authorizing and approving the election call and also requesting the Parish Council to fund the cost of

the election of approximately \$30,000.00, as amended.  
(Resolution No. 2017-13)

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: James Stein, Benson Langlinais, Roy Pontiff, James Landry, Lauren Brown, and Patrick Broussard.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Edwin Leblanc, Scott Ransonet, and Ronald Gonsoulin.

And the Resolution was therefore passed on this 6th day of July, 2017.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

Tuesday, August 8, 2017, 6:00 P.M. Council Chambers

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Roy Pontiff, seconded by Benson Langlinais, 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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Ray Fremin, Jr., Executive Director

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