

Matagorda County Conservation & Reclamation District No. One

01-15-20 Meeting Minutes

Attending Commissioners: Willie Younger, Dwight Vavra, Gary Koeppen

Item #1: the meeting was opened by Chairman Vavra at 10:00 am.

Item #2: The following guests were recognized:

*Jonathon Vavra *Allen Cumbie

Item #3: The minutes of the 12-XX-19 meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved, with one correction noted, under a motion made by Gary Koeppen and seconded by Dwight Vavra.

Item #4: The recent Financial Report was unanimously approved under a motion made by Gary Koeppen and seconded by Willie Younger.

Item #5: Under the Ring levee Report the following was discussed:

- Koeppen reported that the maintenance contractor, Spray Co., had cleaned the drain areas.
- Vavra added that Spray Co. had covered bare spots with caliche, brought in a chipper to handle brush removal and was researching how best to deal with ant infestation.

Item #6: Regarding the Pratka drainage project inside the Ring levee, the following was discussed and acted upon:

- The applicant indicated that both a permit from the USACE and an approval letter from the County had been received.
- Under a motion made by Gary Koeppen, and seconded by Dwight Vavra, the request to proceed was unanimously approved.
- The CRD, through Allen Cumbie, requested that they submit "As Built" drawings when the drainage was completed.

Item #7: Concerning an update on the Colorado River Levees, the following was discussed:

- Attorney Cumbie indicated that no new applications were received.
- Vavra spoke with County commissioner Bubba Frick and was told to expect a new application soon.

Item #8: Tabled

Item #9: Concerning the pending application for grant funding to install pump stations on the Ring levee, Vavra noted that the County's grantsman continues to receive and respond to questions from the grantors.

Item #10: Regarding USACE's call for remedial attention to deficiencies identified in their Ring levee Inspection Report refer to Item #5.

Item #11: Tabled

Item #12: Under a motion made by Gary Koeppen, and seconded by Willie younger, the Investment Report for November 2019 was unanimously approved.

Item #13: Under the Attorney Report, the following was reported by Allen Cumbie:

- The Imminent Domain Report confirmation through 2020 has been filed.
- Tax rate rules for 2020 have been changed; a self-funded posting and election must be held if the rate **reaches or exceeds the rollback rate of 'X' % (Allen please clarify and I will include the correct language before Wednesday)**; As a local taxing district the CRD must establish a well-maintained/current website (posting minutes, contact information, budget documents and annual audit, etc.); the requirement appears to be based upon the amount of revenue collected.

Item #14: All bills received were reviewed and unanimously approved for payment under a motion made by Dwight Vavra, and seconded by Gary Koeppen.

Item #15: The next CRD meeting was set for 02-19-20.

Item #16: Under a motion made by Gary Koeppen, and seconded by Dwight Vavra, the meeting was unanimously adjourned.