

Matagorda County Conservation & Reclamation District No. One

Meeting Minutes 03-14-19

Attending Commissioners: Dwight Vavra, Gary Koeppen, Willie Younger

Item #1: Chairman Vavra called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

Item #2: The following guests were recognized:

*Scott Leimer * Allen Cumbie *Eric Scheibe

Item #3: The minutes of the 02-13-19 were approved as read and unanimously approved under a motion made by Gary Koeppen and seconded by Dwight Vavra.

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

Item #5: Under the Matagorda Ring Levee Report the following was discussed:

- Koeppen reported that the USACE has mowed the property surrounding their facilities.
- Vavra reported that the USACE has not set an inspection date.
- Scott Leimer, with Z6, suggested that the CRD consider a pre-inspection as guided by him.
- Vavra suggested waiting to conduct a pre-inspection until the entire levee has been mowed. He also indicated the following:
 - The County Court has set the installation of relief pumps at Matagorda as their #1 Harvey recovery project.
 - it appears the protocols for grant funding are being revised on an on-going basis;
 - The GLO indicated that zip code to zip code transfers of grant funding will not be allowed;
 - the CRD is being penalized for following the established policies and procedures;
- Leimer stated that Z6 might aid in this effort by developing a Hazard Mitigation Plan, with low-to-moderate income levels being a key component, that fits the current funding protocols.

Item #6: Under the East and West Levees Report Scott Leimer indicated that Z6 could organize all historical survey data stored by the County.

Item #7: Eric Scheibe reviewed the following facets of a flood analysis of the Colorado River;

- He propose to form g tool for deciding whether to maintain or abandon the river levees.
- Regarding easements, Allen Cumbie informed Scheibe that the CRD holds only prescriptive easements.

- Vavra noted that the levees were built long before the Highland Lakes and the West Bay diversion channel.
- Per Cumbie's request, Scheibe will revise the fee schedule and associated contract.

Item #8: The matter of Mercer Engineering's study and engineering plans for the proposed pump stations at Matagorda was tabled.

Item #9: Regarding the public notice signs to be installed along the toe of the Ring Levee, Younger reported they have been prepared for delivery to County Commissioner Kent Pollard, for placement by his crew, as soon as the surrounding property has sufficiently dried up.

Item #10: Regarding Grey Oak Pipeline LLC's application to cross the East River levee north of Bay City the following was discussed:

- The required \$2800 fee has been received by Cumbie.
- Scott Leimer reports that:
 - it is likely that the USACE would not accept their application as submitted;
 - there has been no core borings due to landowner reluctance;
 - they need to include a listing of additional safety measures;
 - Grey Oak should include remedial actions should any damage result;
 - they need to include data on levee (like is required of wetlands); and,
 - he (S. Leimer) will provide a comprehensive written report listing his professional recommendations; and
- Allen Cumbie suggested that Leimer include a 'punchlist'.

Item #11: The recent Investment Report was reviewed and unanimously approved under a motion made by Willie Younger and seconded by Gary Koeppen.

Item #12: Allen Cumbie indicated there was nothing to discuss under the Attorney's Report.

Item #13: All bills received were reviewed and unanimously approved for payment under a motion made by Dwight Vavra and seconded by Gary Koeppen.

Item #14: The next CRD meeting was set for 04-10-19.

Item #15: Under a motion made by Gary Koeppen and seconded by Dwight Vavra the meeting was unanimously adjourned.