

## Matagorda County Conservation & Reclamation District No. One

### 10-16-19 Meeting Minutes

**Attending Commissioners:** Willie Younger, Gary Koeppen, Dwight Vavra

**Item #1:** Chairman Vavra opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

**Item #2:** The following guests were recognized:

\*Allen Cumbie \*Jonathon Vavra \*David Sheblak

**Item #3:** The minutes of the 09-11-19 CRD meeting were read and unanimously approved under a motion made by Dwight Vavra and seconded by Gary Koeppen.

**Item #4:** Regarding the recent Financial Report, the following was discussed and acted upon:

- Vavra reported that the County lost a civil suit and must refund a significant sum of tax payments to the plaintiff..
- However, this should have little impact on the CRD since its share will be relatively small.
- Under a motion made by Gary Koeppen and seconded by Willie Younger, the recent Financial Report was unanimously approved.

**Item #5:** Regarding the Matagorda Ring Levee Update and Report, the following was discussed:

- Koeppen reported that the levee is in need of mowing.
- Vavra indicated he would promptly contact the District's newly-hired mowing contractors.

**Item #6:** Regarding the River Levees Update and Report, the following was discussed:

- Cumbie reported that previously submitted crossing applications were still pending.
- Cumbie further explained that these were awaiting technical review and approval from Mercer as the District's engineering firm; assuming contract approval (see #7 below).

**Item #7:** Regarding the proposed contract between the CRD and Mercer Engineering, the following were discussed and acted upon:

- CRD Attorney Allen Cumbie indicated that the contract submitted by Mercer will be modified to reflect liability limits of \$2 million.
- Under a motion made by Willie Younger and seconded by Gary Koeppen, the contract, with the liability limits stated above, was unanimously approved.

**Item #8:** Regarding prospective changes in the Levee Crossing Permits, Gary Koeppen made a motion that there would be no charges for the placement of fences and gates crossing the Ring Levee or River Levees. It was seconded by Willie Younger and unanimously approved.

**Item #9:** Regarding the proposed Flood Analysis, the following was discussed:

- Vavra reminded everyone that Eric Scheibe indicated that it would likely be October before any work could begin.
- Vavra stated he would call Scheibe for an update.

**Item #10:** Concerning an update by Mercer Engineering on their Pump Stations Study, the following was discussed:

- The grant applications made by the County are still pending according to David Sheblak.
- Vavra lamented that it may be January or latter before a final decision is made.

**Item #11:** Cumbie indicated that no new levee crossing applications have been received.

**Item #12:** Regarding our recent Investment Report, the following was discussed and acted upon:

- Vavra reported that one CD came due and, thereby, reduced the amount in the District's investment portfolio.
- Under a motion made by Dwight Vavra and seconded by Gary Koeppen, the recent Investment Report was unanimously approved.

**Item #13:** Allen Cumbie reported that he had nothing to convey in the Attorney's Report.

**Item #14:** Under a motion made by Dwight Vavra and seconded by Willie Younger, the Interlocal Agreement between the County and the CRD, in support of CDBG grants, was unanimously approved.

**Item #15:** All bills received were reviewed and unanimously approved for payment under a motion made by Gary Koeppen and seconded by Willie Younger.

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