

**West Ascension Consolidated Gravity
Drainage District Board Meeting
Ascension Parish Courthouse
300 Houmas Street
Donaldsonville, LA 70346
September 1, 2016
5:15 PM**

BOARD MEMBERS

COUNCILMAN OLIVER JOSEPH COUNCILMAN WILLIAM DAWSON

The **West Ascension Consolidated Gravity Drainage District Board** met on Thursday, September 1, 2016 at 5:15 PM in the Ascension Parish Courthouse, 300 Houmas Street. Donaldsonville, Louisiana 70346. **Councilman Oliver Joseph** called the meeting to order. The Invocation was led by **Councilman William Dawson** and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

The following members were present:

Councilman William Dawson
Councilman Oliver Joseph

The following members were absent:

None

Others Present:

O'Neil Parenton, Legal Counsel
Craig Anderson, Manager DPWW
Ron Savoy, Supervisor DPWW
Bill Roux, DPW Director

Agenda Item #3 – Acceptance of Minutes

A motion by Councilman William Dawson, seconded by Councilman Oliver Joseph to accept the minutes of August 4, 2016 as presented. No objection to the motion, motion carried.

Agenda Item #4 – Julie Dr.

Craig Anderson, Manager DPWW informed the board that they would be cutting the road and installing the pipes the week of Sept. 5th. Councilman Oliver Joseph requested that a cement barricade be installed at the culvert on Christy Dr. to help the water flow.

Agenda Item #5-Drainage Issue (Billy Hayward)

Councilman Oliver Joseph commented that this issue was addressed at the last meeting and requested that it be taken off the agenda.

Agenda Item #6-Lemannville cut Off Bridge

Ron Savoy addressed the issue and reported that because of the crew working on pending projects they are not working on the bridge until the work on the East side bridges are complete. Bill Roux also addressed the concerns of the board about the work on the Lemannville Bridge. He stated that the work will resume on the bridge when all repairs on the bridges on the East side are completed.

Agenda Item #7-Culvert for Bayou Napoleon

Ron Savoy informed the board that the Right of Ways for access to the properties has been obtained, that he is waiting on the availability of equipment and personnel to begin the project and that it will take approximately two months before they will start.

Agenda Item #8 – West Ascension Master Drainage

Bill Roux presented the board with copies of the Resolution which identifies the different drainage channels. He explained the different aspects of the resolution and noted the items that needed to be changed. In order to make the changes and identify the drainage channels, the board would have to ratify the Resolution. He will make the necessary changes and present it at the next board meeting for their approval.

Agenda Item #9 – Culvert (St. Jude Canal) Lemannville Cut Off Rd.

Craig Anderson reported that the culvert is in and the concrete basin needs to be placed. They have stopped work because of the weather and will get back as soon as the weather permits.

Agenda Item #10 – Hwy 1/Bunn Hood Subdivision Drainage

Moose Pearce met with DOTD representative along with Chuck Long concerning his drainage issue. They informed him that he would be responsible for culverts in front of his property. They also discussed the problem in the back of his property and found that it's in the city limits; the parish has no Right of Way. There are some improvements that could be made but it borders on Hwy 1. It was agreed to communicate this to Chuck Long.

Agenda Item #11 – St. James/Assumption Drainage

Moose Pearce informed the board that he had met with a representative from St. James Parish and they talked about getting a meeting together to discuss the drainage problem. Councilman Joseph gave an overview of previous attempts to resolve this problem and said that the CORP of Engineers is the hold up by not issuing the needed permits. Bill Roux said that a person is in the process of being hired as a parish representative in the CORP. He stated that he would review the documents and get with Moose Pearce and see what could be done.

Agenda Item #12 – Reports

No further reports from Ron Savoy or Moose Pearce. Craig reported that grass cutting is resuming since the weather is drier and that the crew will be making their normal rounds.

Agenda Item #13 – Date & Time of Next Meeting.

October 6, 2016 @ 5:15 PM was scheduled for the next board meeting.

Since there was no further business to come before the **West Ascension Consolidated Gravity Drainage District Board**. A motion by **Councilman William Dawson**, seconded by **Councilman Oliver Joseph** to adjourn, no objection to the motion, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 PM.