

**NON-FLOOD PROTECTION ASSET MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY  
MINUTES OF THE RECREATIONAL / SUBDIVISION  
OBLIGATION COMMITTEE MEETING  
THURSDAY JUNE 7, 2012 – 2:30 P.M.**

The regular monthly meeting of the Recreation/Subdivision Committee of the Non-Flood Asset Protection Management Authority was held on Thursday, June 7, 2012 at 2:30 p.m., in the Lake Vista Community Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 6500 Spanish Fort Blvd., New Orleans, Louisiana after due legal notice of the meeting was sent to each Board member, the news media, and a copy of the call was posted.

Chairman Hassinger called the meeting to order at 2:37 p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The roll was called which constituted a quorum.

**PRESENT:**

Chairman Joe Hassinger  
Commissioner Greg Ernst  
Commissioner John Trask  
Commissioner Stanley Brien

**STAFF:**

Louis Capo - Executive Director  
Sharon Martiny - Non-Flood

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Albert Pappalardo – Real Estate Consultant  
Gerard Metzger – Legal Counsel  
Carl Anderson – USACE  
Bradley Drouant – USACE  
Gerry Gillen – Orleans Levee District Flood Division  
Ray Lanceche - Lakeshore

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Ernst offered a motion to adopt the Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Trask and unanimously adopted.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Ernst offered a motion to approve the minutes of the Recreation/Subdivision meeting of May 3, 2012 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Trask and unanimously adopted.

**REPORT ON CURRENT RECREATION/SUBDIVISION ISSUES**

DEI presented final plans for review and permitting of the Lakeshore Drive utility crossings. The plans are in the hands of the Corps, the CPRA and the Flood side of the Levee District. Once permitting is obtained, DEI will go out for bid and get this project underway. Utilities should be back on Lakeshore Drive late in the first quarter of 2013.

Mr. Capo reported that a contract was signed with BLD for \$19,980 to begin cleanup behind Shelter #1. Starting on June 11, 2012 the area will be dewatered and the mud will be removed. Sewer lines will be flushed and videotaped to determine if there are breaks in the lines.

## **PRESENTATION**

### **1) Presentation by USACE for right of entry (ROE) to construct a berm on the west side of Orleans Drainage Canal**

Carl Anderson, Corps of Engineers, is requesting an additional right of way for a strip on the west side of the Orleans Drainage Canal. On the Orleans Canal back to the temporary pump stations there are eye walls that are in a boat impact zone. The water stage gets high enough from a surge that boats can cross the road and enter into the canal. The Corps is proposing to put a small ridge between the bridge and the levee on the east side. The ridge will serve as an interim measure until the permanent pump stations come on line which will tie into the levee system and the walls. This ridge is needed because in the event of a storm, boats can potentially become unmoored and enter into the Orleans Drainage Canal. With enough force the boats could cause damage to the levee.

Mr. Gillen stated that the Corps does not need authorization from this Authority to get the right of entry. This is an informational item to keep the Authority apprised of ongoing projects. There is an existing sheet pile wall that the Flood Division is responsible for, but there is a narrow strip between the permanent pump station land and an area down to the wall that if the Authority does not object, a right of entry will be given for that project. Commissioner Ernst requested clarification for the record whether it is the Corps' position that this Authority's permission is needed for the right of entry. Mr. Gillen informed that the Corps does not need the Authority's permission. A berm will be built in that location temporarily until the permanent pump station is in place at which time the berm will be degraded. The Flood Division is currently working on authorizing a right of entry for the Corps.

Mr. Anderson noted that the right of way was requested from CPRA who sent it to the Corps. This request is a cursory to keep the Authority updated. Mr. Capo added that the Board has not discussed this because it is an informational item to keep the Committee advised of what the Corps is asking and what will go in that location. It is Commissioner Ernst position that if the Corps does not need this Authority's permission it should not be given as this matter is an informational presentation and the Corps. is not requesting this Authority's cover.

Mr. Gillen addressed the permanent pump station project and informed the Committee that the Corps has gone out with Modification #13 (the 13 issues since the original scope was developed), which will be given to the original 5 firms that made the short list. This will be re-evaluated based on new information. If it is announced accurately in September, it is reasonable that Dan Bradley of the Corps could inform of the details shortly thereafter. The location has not changed, but there are modifications to the actual design. The footprint of all available property has not been shrunk so the permanent pump station could be anywhere in that area. The permanent pump station is a four year project. Commissioner Trask stressed the importance of updating this Committee and the neighborhoods on what can be shared in September and suggested inviting a representative of the selected firm or Mr. Bradley to give an update. Mr. Capo noted that at the May Board meeting Mr. Bruce Thompson gave a presentation on the permanent pump stations and tank farms associated with them. Mr. Bradley was contacted through e-mails and invited to attend the June 21, 2012 Board meeting. At this point Mr. Bradley has declined and suggested meeting in a smaller setting. A meeting with Commissioner Hassinger, Chairman Lupo, Commissioner Hoffman, Dan Bradley and Mr. Capo will be organized to discuss the issue.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**1) Discussion and update on RFQ for selection of A&E for subdivision plan review**

Mr. Capo advised that multi-family and non-residential construction was not addressed in the RFQ. Alton Davis, Richard C. Lambert Consultants, has prepared plans for restrictions for new construction for single family, two to four family, multi-family more than four and non-residential along with the reasonable cost associated, which should get attraction from A&E firms. Staff is requesting authorization to advertise an RFQ to secure the services of an architect or engineer to review building restrictions in a timely manner. There will be a modification to page 4 suggested by Mr. Metzger in which the entire paragraph be taken out. Mr. Metzger advised to make this a pure RFQ where respondents will not have any basis to assume that they are submitting an offer to enter into a contract to which the Authority would be bound to award a contract. The RFQ will request qualifications to see who is interested in the plan review. The RFQs will be evaluated and brought back to this Committee to move forward with a contract. Mr. Capo added that upon approval from this Committee the RFQ will be submitted and responses will be received no later than 2:00 p.m. on July 17, 2012. Once a firm is selected the matter will be brought before the Board.

Commissioner Ernst made a motion to authorize the issuance of an RFQ for an architect/engineer firm to review house plans with the change indicated on page 4, seconded by Commissioner Brien and unanimously adopted.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING**

Chairman Hassinger announced the next Recreation/Subdivision meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 12, 2012 at 2:30 p.m.

**ADJOURMENT**

Commissioner Trask offered a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Ernst and unanimously adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 2:54 p.m.