

LCNS Board Meeting Minutes
August 31, 2011

Call Meeting to Order Meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm by Chris Cahill, President. Directors attending Chris Cahill, Gary Poltorak, Mort Voller, Taras Romachuk, Scott Weaver, Phil Glass. Jim Murphy was unable to attend.

May 28 Meeting Minutes Motion by Taras to approve minutes from the LCNS May 28 meeting. Scott second, all in favor.

Galveston Beach to Bay Chris and Susan discussed payment for the Starvation Cove / Eckert Bayou channel dredging project. Chris thought the payment was to be made to the PPOA who would pay the GBBF to reimburse them for the engineering costs LCNS and PPOA agreed to pay. Susan said the payment was always supposed to be made 50% from PPOA and 50% from LCNS. Motion by Scott to approve payment to the GBBF for the sum of \$12,500. Taras Romachuk second. All in favor.

Preserves Some trees are dying and the ponds have dried up. Mort has been watering on our assigned days, but the Preserves need rain if they are to remain healthy.

Canal Marsh Grass Phil is working on submitting a plan to the ACOE and Gary is working on the pilot project along the bulkhead on his lot. Discussion focused on outlining a plan for homeowners to follow based on what Gary has learned from his project. Gary will submit a report at the next LCNS meeting detailing the costs, construction time, and techniques he used to build his concrete bag containment wall fill the area with clean sand. Once the plan is reviewed, LCNS will notify the homeowners of their requirement under the ACOE permit and assist them with either starting their own construction or joining a group of homeowners under one project. The LCNS should not sponsor projects, but will hire a contractor to construct a marsh grass shelf and charge the homeowners who refuse to comply with planting a 15' marsh grass shelf in the 20' restricted zone along their bulkheads for all the costs associated with the project.

Violations of the ACOE Permit Discussion on filing suits against homeowners who have refused to comply with the ACOE permit standards. A letter will be sent to the LCNS Attorney to seek advice and to begin the process.

The following action item from the May 28 meeting has not been done: **“Discussion was held whether or not to send letters to vendors, realtors, and the title companies informing them of the ACOE permit requirements and asking for their help by informing their clients of the situation in Laffite’s Cove. A motion was made by Mort with no second. Chris and Taras changed the wording of the motion to read lift installers, Galveston Realtors, Laffite’s residents, and surveyors. Mort made the second motion and second by Chris. All in favor.”**

Pending Lawsuit A motion was made by Chris to assert a conflict on Steve Shultz for compliance issues relating to his past involvement with a negotiated settlement in favor of the ACOE permit on behalf of the PPOA, but he is currently representing a client who is in violation of the ACOE permit while he is retained by the PPOA as its attorney. Second by Jim. All in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.