

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**SOUTH BRIDGE WATERWAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**September 23, 2009**  
**10:00 A.M.**

**Attendees:** Ray Cady, Natalie Reach, Michael Dewitt and David Cislo  
Coastal Engineering Jamie Cohlmeier  
County - Dawn Harrison, Chuck Mopps

**Minutes:** No minutes were submitted for approval.

- Mr. Caddy open the meeting for the South Bridge Waterway Advisory Committee

**New Business:** Activity report was given to the Committee members from October 1, 2008, through August 31, 2009.

**Dredging Discussion:**

- Review estimations on the dredging design and permitting.
- The Committee discussed the waterways that were dredged in 1970. The question was asked after the dredging is completed, when the waterway will need to be re-dredged?
- The estimation of the maintenance is 30% in a ten-year period. After the waterways are dredged, the shoulders may shift in filling the waterways again, due to the amount of time between dredging. From the aerial maps, research showed in 1950, dredging transpired in the location of the roundhouse. From 1969, 300 plus yards a year influenced the waterway leaving 12,000.00 yards to be removed.
- The comment was made that 16,000 yards of material is to be removed from the Harbor Heights Waterway due to the fact of how much time has lapsed between the last dredging. It is difficult to determine when more dredging would need to be performed. When the depth of the waterways is maintained, the projects are easy to manage; some of the preliminary work is already completed and the cost of the project is reduced significantly.
- The Committee members will notify the County when the waterways are silting in. If a tropical storm should take place FEMA will assist, as long as proof is provided. Surveys of the waterway should be performed every two to three years for the record on the depths.
- The rate will be reduce after the loan is paid according to the needs of the waterways. Mangrove trimming can be added to the contract at the Committee's request.
- The bids for dredging have been coming in lower then excepted. The contract bids have been coming in 30% to 40% lower. The Committee will be invited to attend the pre-bid and pre-construction meetings that are open to the public and advertised.
- The budget hearings start in July for review of any increases to the MSBU rates.
- The BCC approved the boat slips to be included in the territory last year.

- Mrs. Reach made a motion to move forward with the dredging project; Mr. Dewitt second the motion. A vote was taken; motion carried - all were in favor.
- There was discussion on the DEP permit process. Once the permit application is received by the State, the State has 30 days to respond. Then we would have 90 days to answer any questions or address any concerns.
- If every item is in place, the contractor could be hired in October 2010. The project will entail 3 to 1 side slopes, 15-feet wide, 4-feet deep. Orchard waterway will be re-surveyed.
- Mr. Cislo made a motion to move forward on the design; Mr. Dewitt seconded the motion.  
Motion carried; all were in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Harrison  
Municipal Services District Representative

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