

Last night, Wednesday, 1-16-19,

The levee board held its meeting on Koop Dr. The entire meeting lasted less than 30 minutes, and once again, the lack of attendance was miserably noticed. I cannot stress enough how important attendance and participation is. Our future regarding flood protection depends on accountability. If we don't care enough to show up, how can we expect those who are in charge to care about us? It is my hope that next month's meeting will be better attended.

The meeting started promptly at 6:00 P.M. and lasted less than 30 minutes. Roll call revealed 1 absent, one vacancy, and 7 present. It was discussed that Amendment 3 would provide reimbursement to the levee board for money spent and assistance to the levee board to hire a third party engineering firm to review board decisions regarding the feasibility study.

There was a draft report presented by Neel Schaeffer, the engineering firm hired by the parish to do the feasibility study, part I. It was delivered in a manual form, but will be posted electronically. The important thing is that PROJECT 1.0 is included for recommendation for flood protection. There will be ample time given for board members to review what the manual contains. Approval or expectations will be revealed by next month's meeting, 2-20-19, at the Towers Bldg. in Slidell. Neel Schaeffer admitted that some of the information collected was outdated and needs further observation. Some data collected projects are now assets, again not current, but that will change.

Nomination were accepted and voted on for positions on the board which include:

Henry DiFranco- President

John Faust- Vice President (John is our own rep from Moonraker)

McCue- Secretary

Suzanne Krieger- Treasurer

Our legislative liason is Renee Roberts

The treasurer's report stated \$47,506.62 in the bank account.

Dan McGovern , our own Moonraker rep, inquired about a millage being voted upon for operational support of the levee board. Renee Roberts indicated that it would take a 2/3 majority of the board and a vote by the people.

The meeting adjourned.

Please don't forget our own Moonraker meeting next Wednesday. President Pat Brister will be present at that meeting. I know our residents have questions to ask. Be there to show support and get answers.

I am looking forward to seeing you there.

Bonnie