

Wednesday November 20, 2019

The meeting started precisely at 6:00 P.M. with enough board members present to make a quorum.

Glen Ledet from Neel Schaeffer, the engineering firm hired by the parish to do the study heading towards feasibility and presentation to the federal government, gave a review of a very active past month of meetings, etc. He gave an update on the Coastal Master Plan, selected.

Task 1 - Collection of data

Task 2 - Gap Analysis; structural, non structural, and restoration, most vulnerable

Task 3 - Feasibility, design, study

Task 4 - Putting together the presentation to be presented to the federal government for grants and/or loans

Glen Ledet presented a booklet containing graphs and charts; he also indicated schedules and status. This master plan's projects were chosen based on repetitive flooding and loss: Slidell Ring Barrier, Lake Pontchartrain Barrier, St. Tammany Nonstructural risk reduction, retopping present structures, restoration.

A report was presented to the parish that identified areas most likely to lose land. Restoring these areas are thought to provide longevity.

The CPRA has provided another three million to the parish for flood projects, but most of it will go toward restoration, now considered a fifty year remedy.

The meeting to be held in January will have charts and graphs to be presented at that meeting for the public. It is hoped that the public will understand better what the objectives are and why. Presently we are in Task 2.

The levee board asked to be included in any and all meetings scheduled with CPRA, ACOE, and the parish..

The next meeting is scheduled Wednesday December 18 in Slidell at the Towers Bldg.

Bonnie Peyroux