

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

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Saturday was the election day that offered security concerning flood protection for our area. St. Tammany Parish accepted the amendment although the rest of the state did not. You might ask, "Now what will happen? What should we do?" Our district attorney, Warren Montgomery, has recognized the fact that we as a community, as a parish, are willing to accept the burden of maintaining flood protection because the federal government, the parish, the CPRA will not spend the money to maintain whatever is built. He will place on a ballot this coming early spring an opportunity to vote again on this subject. If we get a positive result from St. Tammany again, we will get the funds to proceed at no cost to our residents.

The ballot last Saturday misled residents by indicating that the amendment would allow the levee board to charge millage whenever money is needed. **NOTHING COULD BE FURTHER FROM THE TRUTH.** The levee board would have to have permission from our residents to request any amount for a millage. Therefore, if you rejected the amendment for the reason above, the wording will be clear in the next election next spring.

We are still working on the request to REPLACE our street, not lay blacktop on it. As you well know, the problem is the foundation that has deteriorated. I ask you to help me by purchasing a can of spray paint to spray the cracks and crevices, the holes and sunken places. Please note that this is being done for "SAFETY" reasons. I'd like this to be completed by Wednesday, Nov. 17. I will then take a ride and film the areas to send to the parish. I am hoping that will make an impression. We need a descent street to drive, to walk, to bicycle, to skate, to cross. Please help me.

The Journal was mailed weeks ago, but we have heard nothing from anyone regarding it. Please let us know what you think of it.

Our next residents' meeting is the last Wednesday in January. January is the anniversary date to collect dues, still \$50 a year. If anyone would like to hold office, please let us know. We need some new blood in office, some bright minds with suggestions to promote our neighborhood and help keep property values up.

Thanksgiving is next week and although we complain, there is much for which we should be thankful. Please check on our neighbors. See what can be done to make new neighbors feel welcome.

Have a blessed holiday.

Bonnie