



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF  
LAKE WORTH DRAINAGE DISTRICT  
HELD AT THE DELRAY BEACH OFFICE ON  
FEBRUARY 15, 2017 AT 8:30 A.M.**

**Board Members Present:**

James M. Alderman                      Steve Bedner                      Harry Raucher  
John I. Whitworth, III                      Jeffrey P. Phipps, Sr.

**1. Call to Order**

President Alderman called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr. Whitworth led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Oath of Elected Board Supervisor**

Harry Raucher, having been duly elected to the Board of Supervisors at the Annual Landowners' Meeting held on January 4, 2017, for a period of three years in accordance with the legislative act, Chapter 2009-258, Laws of Florida, took the oath of office in the form and manner required by law, after which he took his seat as the newly elected Supervisor of the Board of Supervisors of the Lake Worth Drainage District from Sub-District 4.

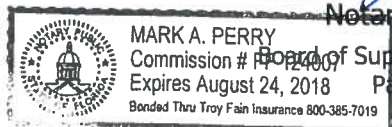
**OATH OF HARRY RAUCHER**

State of Florida  
County of Palm Beach

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public, personally appeared Harry Raucher, who being duly sworn, did depose and say: That he will honestly, faithfully and impartially perform the duties devolved upon him in the office of Supervisor of the Lake Worth Drainage District, to which office he has been duly elected, and that he will not neglect any of the duties imposed upon him by the laws of the State of Florida.

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this the 15 day of February 2017, by Harry Raucher, who is personally known to me or who has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification and who did (did not) take an oath.

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_



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## **DISCUSSION**

**14. Approval of ranked firms and authorization to enter into contract negotiations for Engineering Design and Construction Phase Services for Control Structure No. 9 (Project #16-7170L.05) - Tommy Strowd, Director of Operations & Maintenance**

Mr. Strowd stated that the Board authorized staff to solicit a Request for Proposals for Engineering Design and Construction Phase Services for Control Structure No. 9 in December 2016. The District received three responses and the selection committee ranked the qualified firms as follows:

1. Mock Roos and Associates
2. Ganett-Flemming
3. Higgins Engineering

Staff recommended approval of the ranking and approval to enter into contract negotiations with the top-ranked firm.

*A motion was made by Supervisor Raucher to approve the recommendation, seconded by Supervisor Phipps and approved unanimously.*

**15. Consideration of property owner requests to retain unauthorized encroachments on the E-4 Canal right-of-way. Location: L-18 Canal to L-19 Canal, Thompson Road (Project #16-9897P.04) – Tommy Strowd, Director of Operations & Maintenance**

Mr. Strowd explained that staff met individually with property owners on Thompson Road which would be affected by the rehabilitation project on the E-4 Canal. For each of the ten (10) properties affected, Mr. Strowd presented those encroachments that the property owners requested to remain and a staff recommendation for managing the encroachments.

1. Advanced Auto Parts Store, 7030 Thompson Road - not present at meeting
  - No previous permits issued
  - Encroachments included vegetation; no structural encroachments
  - Owner agreeable for District to remove vegetation
  - Staff recommended removal of non-native vegetation

*A motion was made by Supervisor Raucher to approve the recommendation, seconded by Vice President Bedner and approved unanimously.*

2. Ronald Parent, 7044 Thompson Road – No public comment; conditions are agreeable with the owner of the property
  - No previous permits issued
  - Encroachments include vegetation and an apiary; no structural encroachments
  - Owner requested a gate be installed on the right-of-way at the south property line of the Auto Parts store in order to block pedestrian access, implement dust control measures and install safety barriers and silt screens

- Staff recommended removal of deck, retaining wall, floating dock and non-native vegetation; denial of request to install parallel fence

***A motion was made by Supervisor Raucher to approve the recommendation, seconded by Senior Vice President Whitworth and approved unanimously.***

6. 7130 Thompson Road - Teresa Townsend & Greg Knuth - Mr. Knuth present; no comment
- On November 16, 2016, the Board rescinded a Temporary Boat Dock Permit issued December 1990
  - Encroachments include deck/gazebo (covered portion), deck/gazebo (uncovered portion), dock, vegetation, decorative stones, chain link fence parallel to top of bank and perpendicular wood fencing, swing set and trampoline
  - Owner requested to keep covered portion of the deck/gazebo, dock, pine trees; owner will relocate swing set and trampoline and is agreeable for District to remove vegetation, fencing and decorative stones
  - Staff recommended removal of the deck/gazebo (covered and uncovered portions), fencing, vegetation and decorative stones; issuing a right-of-way permit for the dock and native vegetation

***A motion was made by Supervisor Raucher to approve the recommendation, seconded by Supervisor Phipps and approved unanimously.***

7. 7146 Thompson Road: - Carol Pringle present; no comment
- On November 16, 2016, the Board rescinded a Temporary Permit issued on June 1991 for a dock and associated seawall
  - Encroachments include a large oak tree, deck, portion of metal fence that surrounds the deck, portion of metal fence running parallel to top of bank, wooden fences running perpendicular to canal, wooden retaining wall and other vegetation
  - Owner requested to keep large oak tree, deck, portion of metal fence that surrounds the deck
  - Owner agreeable for District to remove portion of metal fence running parallel to top of bank and wooden fences running perpendicular to canal, wooden retaining wall and other vegetation
  - Staff recommended permitting the oak tree to remain and removal of deck, portion of metal fence that surrounds the deck, portion of metal fence running parallel to top of bank; wooden fences running perpendicular to canal, wooden retaining wall and non-native vegetation

***A motion was made by Supervisor Raucher to approve the recommendation, seconded by Senior Vice President Whitworth and approved unanimously.***

8. 7158 Thompson Road - Judy Pohnl; present
- On November 16, 2016, the Board rescinded a Temporary Boat Dock Permit issued on August 1989 for a dock

10. 7200 Thompson Road – Thomas Osborne (declined meeting with LWDD staff, but spoke by phone)
- On November 16, 2016, the Board rescinded a Temporary Fencing Permit issued in June 1999
  - Encroachments included a perpendicular fence; gate, irrigation pump and vegetation were already removed
  - Owner requested that District install a new right-of-way gate at the location of the existing perpendicular fence and gate
  - Staff recommended that the District install an access gate with chain link fence at location of previous gate; owner will be responsible for maintenance of the chain link fence

*A motion was made by Supervisor Raucher to approve the recommendation, seconded by Vice President Bedner and approved unanimously.*

Mr. Strowd recommended that the District issue right-of-way permits for remaining authorized encroachments, waiving associated fees. Permits will include a provision that upon sale of the property, permits will be revoked and structures will be removed.

*A motion was made by Senior Vice President Whitworth to approve the recommendation, seconded by Supervisor Raucher and approved unanimously.*

16. **POSTPONED:** Denial of request to retain unauthorized roofing encroachment on permitted dock. Location: E-4 Canal in Golf View Harbour (Project #90-3758A.01) - Nicole Smith, Right-of-Way Permit Coordinator
17. **ADDED:** Approval to enter into contract for public relations services – Reagan Walker, Director of Administrative Services

Mr. Brown provided Board members with a draft scope of work for public relations services related to the District's use of Transfer of Development Rights (TDRs) in the Agricultural Reserve, and recommended approval to contract with McNicholas & Associates, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$20,000.

Vice President Bedner inquired regarding a cancellation provision for the contract. Mr. Brown confirmed that there would be a provision for cancellation.

Mr. Perry suggested a seven (7) day cancellation notice instead of 30 days. He also suggested that a Board member attend outreach meetings.

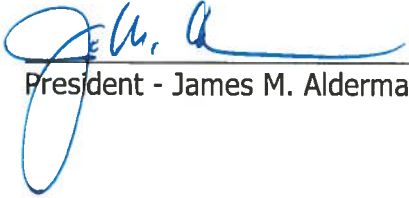
*A motion was made by Supervisor Raucher to approve the recommendation of hiring the firm McNicholas & Associates, Inc. with the change in the contract with the termination clause from 30 days' notice to 7 days' notice, seconded by Senior Vice President Whitworth and approved unanimously.*

**19. Board Comment**

Supervisor Raucher thanked staff for a job well done on the Thompson Road project.

**20. Adjourn**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:20 A.M.



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President - James M. Alderman



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Recording Secretary - Joann M. Aylor