



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
LAKE WORTH DRAINAGE DISTRICT
HELD AT THE DELRAY BEACH OFFICE ON
MAY 17, 2017 AT 8:30 A.M.**

Board Members Present:

John I. Whitworth, III
Steve Bedner

Harry Raucher
Jeffrey P. Phipps, Sr.

Board Members Absent:

James M. Alderman

1. Call to Order

Senior Vice President Whitworth called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Raucher led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Agenda Revisions - Robert M. Brown, Executive Director

There were no agenda revisions.

4. Abstentions by Board Members from items on the Agenda

There were no abstentions.

5. General Public Comment

There were no public comments.

CONSENT

6. Board comment or request to pull items from Consent Agenda

7. Approval of minutes, check register and financial statement for the previous month

8. Authorization to use revetment funds in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 for future contracted canal rehabilitation services - Karen Hoyt, Director of Finance

9. Board Vote on Consent Agenda

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

DISCUSSION

- 10. Approval to issue a Right-of-Way Permit to Delray Medical Center for the use of the E-3 Canal right-of-way. Location: Delray Medical Center, east side of the E-3 Canal, south side of Linton Boulevard (Project #14-1708E.15) - Nicole Smith, Right-of-Way Permit Coordinator**

Ms. Smith stated that Delray Medical Center was previously permitted to use approximately 1,190 LF of the E-3 Canal right-of-way for staff parking during the construction of a new parking garage. They are requesting approval for the continued use of this same area for an additional two years during the construction of a new Proton Cancer Treatment facility.

Staff recommended approval to issue a Right-of-Way Permit to Delray Medical Center for the use of the E-3 Canal right-of-way for temporary parking for two years through July 2019 subject to the District's Operating Policies and all applicable fees including an annual fee.

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

- 11. Approval to modify the existing Piping, Paving & Parking Agreement with St. Mark Greek Orthodox Church and transfer to a Right-of-Way Permit. Location: St. Mark Greek Orthodox Church, Southwest Quadrant of the E-3 Canal and Yamato Road (Project #17-1409H.05) - Nicole Smith, Right-of-Way Permit Coordinator**

Ms. Smith stated that St. Mark Greek Orthodox Church currently has a Piping, Paving and Parking License Agreement on the E-3 Canal. The church is requesting to install pavers to park in the licensed area. The current area provides only grassed parking.

Staff recommended approval to transfer and modify the existing Piping, Paving and Parking License Agreement to a Right-of-Way Permit and waive the annual fee, subject to the District's Operating Policies and all applicable fees.

A motion was made by Supervisor Phipps to approve staff recommendation, seconded by Vice President Bedner and approved unanimously.

- 12. Approval to issue a Right-of-Way Permit to Florida Power & Light for the relocation of two concrete poles and the installation of four wood poles. Location: FPL sub-station, east side of Military Trail, south side of the L-5 Canal (Project #16-9966U.01) - Nicole Smith, Right-of-Way Permit Coordinator**

Ms. Smith stated that Florida Power & Light is requesting approval to install four new poles within the south right-of-way of the L-5 Canal. She indicated that FPL will remove three existing poles and two existing poles adjacent to Military trail will remain.

Staff recommended approval to issue a Right-of-Way Permit for the installation of four wooden FPL poles on the south right-of-way line of the L-5 Canal, subject to the LWDD Operating Policies and all applicable fees including an annual fee adjusted every five years based on the Consumer Price Index.

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

STAFF REPORTS

13. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Brown stated that staff will provide individual briefings on the District's FY2018 budget prior to the June 6, 2017 board workshop.

Mr. Brown stated he sent a letter to both the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in reference to the Lake Worth Drainage District's comments on the Draft Biological Opinion for the Lake Okeechobee Regulation Schedule and Portable Forward Pumps. A copy of this letter was provided to each Board member for their ready reference and made a part of the meeting record.

Mr. Brown provided each Board member with a copy of the Coalition of Boynton West Residential Association's (COBWRA) Strategic Plan for the Agricultural Reserve/Preserve. Mr. Brown stated the document contains many inaccuracies and indirectly impacts the Lake Worth Drainage District and their potential use of Transfer of Development Rights (TDRs).

Director of Operations and Maintenance

Mr. Strowd provided a progress update on the SCADA system stating that radio testing at all ten (10) sites will begin within the month. Mr. Strowd invited Board members to attend a scheduled testing. The contractor will complete one site per month, with the first site completed by the end of July 2017 and all other sites being completed by the end of December 2017.

Mr. Strowd stated there has been a major shift in the C-51 Reservoir Project as a result of Senate Bill 10 sponsored by Senate President Joe Negron. This Bill was amended to include the C-51 Reservoir Project and language was added regarding the State contributing funds to make it a public/private partnership. South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) would have an interest and/or role in how this reservoir would be utilized. All C-51 public meetings held at SFWMD have been cancelled indefinitely.

Mr. LasCasas updated the Board on the progress of the Canal Rehabilitation Program. Over the past 12 months, the District has cleared a total of 21.05 miles of vegetation on canal rights-of-way (23.73 miles from October 2015 to current):

- LWDD – 10.68 miles; Contractor – 9.39 miles; Developer – 0.98 mile

Director of Administrative Services

Ms. Walker mentioned that the District will have an employee meeting and luncheon on May 25, 2017 and invited Board members to attend.

Director of Finance

Ms. Hoyt stated the annual financial audit is in the review process with the audit firm and they will be at the June 2017 Board meeting to present the financial statements to the Board.

District Counsel

Mr. Perry had nothing to report.

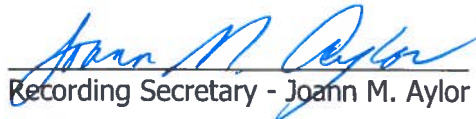
14. Board Comment

The Board members has nothing to report.

15. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:10 A.M.

President - James M. Alderman


Recording Secretary - Joann M. Aylor