



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
LAKE WORTH DRAINAGE DISTRICT
HELD AT THE DELRAY BEACH OFFICE ON
MARCH 14, 2018 AT 8:30 A.M.**

Board Members Present:

James M. Alderman Steve Bedner (via phone) 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. and stated that Steve Bedner was participating via phone.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Whitworth 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 was no public comment.

CONSENT

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

President Alderman requested a brief overview of Consent Agenda Items #8 and #9.

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

8. Approval to surplus and dispose of designated items – Karen Hoyt, Director of Finance

Ms. Hoyt stated that pursuant to Chapter 274, Florida Statutes, the District has the discretion to surplus property that is obsolete or which the continued use of is uneconomical, unsafe, inefficient, or which serves no useful function. Ms. Hoyt shared a list of items that met the criteria for surplus including a Caterpillar bulldozer, computer workstations, audio visual equipment and mobile radios. Staff recommended approval to surplus and dispose of the items through online auction or employee sale.

9. Approval of York Assisted Living (Barbara Kahmi Property) revised appraisal and request for exclusive easement. Location: L-32 Canal, southwest quad of Sims Road and Lake Ida Road (Project #RI-17-0026) – Robert Brown, Executive Director

Ms. Anne Perry, Right-of-Way Specialist, stated that Barbara Kamhi is the fee simple owner of a 4.30-acre parcel of land in the NW ¼ of Section 14/46/42, per the Warranty Deed recorded in Official Record Book 3561, Page 724. In August 2017, Ms. Kamhi requested to purchase a portion of the District's L-32 Canal right-of-way adjacent to her property. The Board approved staff's recommendation to declare the North 55.44 feet of the NE ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 14/46/42, less the East 120 feet thereof surplus and eligible for sale based on the appraised fair market value of \$194,932 (\$6.43 per sq. ft. x 30,316 sq. ft.). Approval was subject to conveyance of an exclusive easement deed to the District over the north 85 feet thereof, certification of title, sketch of description, legal and recording fees, and District operating policies.

Per District policy, the approved appraised value expired after six months. Ms. Kahmi provided an updated appraisal dated February 15, 2018 for \$201,840 (\$6.6578 per sq. ft. x 30,316 sq. ft.). Staff recommended approval of the updated appraisal subject to the previously approved conditions.

10. Board Vote on Consent Agenda

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

DISCUSSION

11. Approval of lowest responsive and responsible bidder for E-1 Canal mowing services (Project #17-9886P.07) – Anthony LasCasas, Assistant Director of Facilities & Maintenance

Mr. LasCasas stated that in December 2017, the District awarded a bid to Toler Enterprises, Inc. for mowing of the C. Stanley Weaver, E-2E and E-2W Canals for four cycles in 2018. The award for the E-1 Canal was rescinded for additional clarification of inaccessible areas. In February 2018, the District re-advertised a Request for Bid for mowing portions of E-1 Canal for the remaining three cycles in 2018. The District received two bids: A Quality Bushog Services, Inc. - \$101,400, and Toler Enterprises, Inc. - \$42,000.

Staff recommended approval to award the contract to Toler Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$42,000 for three cycles of flat and slope mowing of the E-1 Canal in

2018. Subject to board approval, the District may elect to renew the contract for two additional annual renewals.

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

12. Approval to issue a Right-of-Way Permit to Aura Boca Colonnade authorizing landscaping encroachments within the piped portion of the L-42 Canal Right-of-Way. Location: L-42 Canal, northeast corner of Yamato Road and Congress Avenue (Project #RW-18-0027) – Nicole Smith, Right-of-Way Permit Coordinator

Ms. Smith stated that the referenced portion of L-42 Canal is piped as a result of a previous piping agreement issued to Palm Beach County. The City of Boca Raton is requiring the adjacent community, Aura Boca Colonnade, to relocate/expand the existing sidewalk and install landscaping between the sidewalk and Yamato Road. Representatives from Aura Boca Colonnade met with District staff to evaluate their permit options for the encroachment.

Staff recommended approval to issue a Right-of-Way Permit for the sidewalk expansion and landscaping design depicted in 'Option E' provided by the applicant, subject to an application fee of \$984.00 (\$2.00 PLF x 492 Feet), one-time use fee of \$9,840 (\$20.00 PLF x 492 Feet), and annual fee of \$1,968 (\$4.00 PLF x 492 Feet) adjusted every five years by the compounded CPI.

Bonnie Miskal, representing Aura Boca Colonnade, commented that their options were limited given the City's requirements to expand the sidewalk. She thanked staff for their willingness to work with Aura Boca Colonnade, and requested that the board waive the annual permit fees.

A motion was made by Supervisor Raucher to approve staff recommendation including all permit fees, seconded by Vice President Phipps and approved unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

13. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Brown stated that the 2018 legislative session was complete and a final report will be provided at the April board meeting.

Mr. Brown recommended the April Board Workshop and Regular Board Meeting be combined and held on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 beginning at 8:00 AM. The board concurred with the rescheduled date.

Director of Operations and Maintenance

Megan Hoffman updated the Board on the progress of the Canal Rehabilitation Program. Over the past 12 months, the District has cleared a total of 23.60 miles of vegetation on its canal rights-of-way: LWDD – 13.66 miles; contractor – 7.51 miles; developer - 2.43 miles.

Director of Administrative Services

No additional comments.

Director of Finance

Mrs. Hoyt stated that the audit is in the review process and will be presented at an upcoming board meeting.

District Counsel

In reference to Agenda Item 9, Mr. Perry stated that Ms. Barbara Kahmi received a letter from Palm Beach County stating that the District's canal right-of-way would not qualify towards density. He stated a meeting would be scheduled with County staff to address the issue regarding the District's ownership and density rights.

14. Board Comment

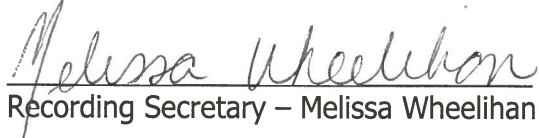
No additional comments.

15. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 A.M.



President – James M. Alderman



Recording Secretary – Melissa Wheelihan