



**MINUTES OF
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORKSHOP MEETING OF
LAKE WORTH DRAINAGE DISTRICT
HELD AT THE DELRAY BEACH OFFICE ON
JUNE 5, 2018 AT 8:00 A.M.**

Board Members Present:

James M. Alderman
John I. Whitworth, III

Harry Raucher
Jeffrey P. Phipps, Sr.

Steve Bedner

1. Call to Order

President James M. Alderman called the meeting to order. Mr. Alderman welcomed guests in attendance that were interested in the L-49 Canal Rehabilitation project and indicated that the public would be afforded the opportunity to speak.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor John I. Whitworth, III led the pledge of allegiance.

3. L-49 Canal Rehabilitation Project adjacent to Sabal Palm Lake in Boca Raton (Project #195; 16-9977P.03) – Robert M. Brown, Executive Director

Mr. Alderman welcomed guests in attendance that were interested in the L-49 Canal Rehabilitation project and indicated that the public would be afforded the opportunity to speak.

Mr. Strowd presented an overview of the District's Canal Rehabilitation Program and shared that the District sent notification of the upcoming L-49 project to the City of Boca Raton on January 18, 2018. An initial notification was delivered to residents on March 1 and survey staking was completed March 8. On March 15, a site inspection with City staff was completed. A second notification was delivered to residents on May 25 identifying specific encroachments for removal. The project was initiated on April 30 and was completed with the exception of 14 properties located adjacent to Sabal Palm Lake. The City Mayor requested the District to delay removal of encroachments on these properties for future discussion with the Board. Mr. Strowd discussed each of the 14 properties and provided information on applicable permits, quit claim deeds, easements and identified encroachments.

Mr. Brown stated that in consideration of the properties adjacent to Sabal Palm Lake, staff recommended to quit claim Chancery interest for the remaining 8 lots with conveyance of an easement to the District, require removal of non-native vegetation, require a minimum 20' unobstructed Right-of-Way, issue a variance for fences only per city code conditioned on removal of encroachments at LWDD

request and the applicable right-of-way permit fees. Mr. Brown indicated that staff would be presenting this recommendation for approval at the regular board meeting.

Alex Platt (1068 SW 7th Street, Boca Raton) and James Wulf (1106 SW 7th Street, Boca Raton) inquired about the project and shared their concerns with impacts to their properties.

4. Proposed Fiscal Year 2018-19 Budget

Ms. Hoyt presented the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2019, indicating that the total proposed budget is approximately \$18.16 million and stated that staff was still awaiting information on the final number of assessed parcels, as well as liability insurance and health insurance rates. She shared that the preliminary budget will be presented at the July Board meeting and staff will request approval to advertise the preliminary budget and notice of the public hearing at the August Board meetings before the final budget adoption.

Mr. LasCasas recommended that the lowboy tractor be replaced with a larger tractor to haul additional capacity.

Mr. Brown discussed the five-year budget projection and funding options for capital projects. He indicated that staff would be recommending a minimal assessment increase to offset increased costs for canal rehabilitation and capital projects.

4. Briefing on Future Board Agenda Items

Staff provided briefings on anticipated agenda items for the June 13, 2018 regular board meeting including:

- Approval of annexation of property located at 1255 W. Palmetto Park Road on the L-48 canal for a gas station (Project #17-8327P.05) – Anne Perry, Right-of-Way Specialist
- Approval to modify the existing encroachment license agreement with Palm Beach County Palm Tran and transfer to a Right-of-Way Permit (Project #97-2632P.03). Location: East side of the E-4 Canal, west of Congress Avenue and north of Atlantic Avenue – Nicole Smith, Right-of-Way Permit Coordinator
- Approval to revoke authorization for encroachment on L-49 Canal (Project #93-4487F.01) – Nicole Smith, Right-of-Way Permit Coordinator
- Approval of sale of surplus right-of way along the north side of the L-24 canal for the extension of a right turn lane (Project #16-12R.37) – David Bends, Project Surveyor
- Approval of appraisal of 2.15 acres of L-44 Canal right-of-way. Location: South 40 feet of the south side of the L-44 canal right-of-way, immediately west of the E-2W Canal (Project #RI-18-0028) – David Bends, Project Surveyor

5. Staff Reports

Ms. Hoyt stated that board members were provided a copy of the draft financial statements which would be presented at the June regular board meeting.

Mr. Brown stated that County staff reconsidered their position regarding the District's right-of-way qualifying for development rights related to the Barbara

Kahmi / York Assisted Living property adjacent to the L-32 Canal, and Mr. Perry would provide a future legal opinion regarding District rights-of-way being included in density calculations and qualifying for development rights. Mr. Perry shared that the developer updated the project design on the L-32 Canal to remove the District's right-of-way; therefore, they will no longer be purchasing the District right-of-way. In the meantime, the County acknowledged that the District right-of-way on the L-32 Canal qualified as a legal lot of record and would be eligible for transfer of development rights. Mr. Perry indicated that he was preparing a letter to the County or a white paper to include research with previous examples of where the county permitted right-of-way to be included in density calculations for development.

President Alderman inquired about a timeline for completion. Mr. Perry indicated he would have a position paper completed in the next couple of weeks to send to the County. President Alderman requested that the draft position paper be provided to the Board prior to the next meeting.

6. Board Comment

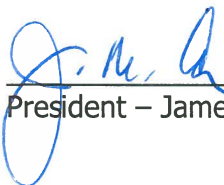
There were no additional board comments.

7. General Public Comment

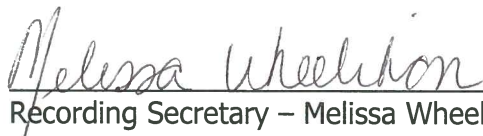
There were no public comments.

8. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:50 A.M.



President – James M. Alderman



Recording Secretary – Melissa Wheelihan