

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
LAKE WORTH DRAINAGE DISTRICT
HELD AT THE DELRAY BEACH OFFICE ON
January 11, 2023 AT 8:30 A.M.**

Board Members Present:

John I. Whitworth, III
Carrie P. Hill

James M. Alderman
Jeffrey Phipps, Sr.

Stephen Bedner

1. Call to Order

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

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Alderman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Special Retirement Recognition – Terry E. Lewis, Esq.

Mr. Strowd presented Terry Lewis with a Board Proclamation bestowing special recognition for his exceptional leadership and service to the Lake Worth Drainage District and Florida's Special Districts. A copy of the adopted proclamation is attached hereto as part of the meeting record.

A motion was made by Senior Vice President Alderman to approve the proclamation in honor of Terry E. Lewis, Esq., seconded by Supervisor Whitworth and approved unanimously.

4. Agenda Revisions – Tommy Strowd, Executive Director

There were no agenda revisions.

5. Abstentions by Board Members from Items on the Agenda

There were no abstentions.

6. General Public Comment (limited to 5 minutes)

There were no public comments.

7. Oaths of Elected Board Supervisors - Stephen Bedner, Sub-District 2 & Carrie Parker Hill, Sub-District 4

Mr. Perry issued the oath of office to the elected Board Supervisors – Stephen Bedner (Sub-District 2) and Carrie Parker Hill (Sub-District 4).

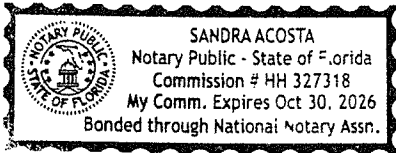
Stephen Bedner, having been duly elected to the Board of Supervisors at the Landowners' Meeting held on January 4, 2023, for a period of three years in accordance with the legislative act, Chapter 2009-258, Laws of Florida, took the oath of office in the form and manner required by law, after which he took his seat as the newly elected Supervisor of the Board of Supervisors of the Lake Worth Drainage District from Sub-District 2.

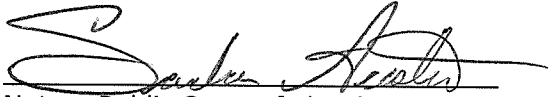
OATH OF STEPHEN BEDNER

State of Florida
County of Palm Beach

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public, personally appeared Stephen Bedner, 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 11th day of January 2023, by Stephen Bedner, who is personally known to me and who did take an oath.




Notary Public State of Florida

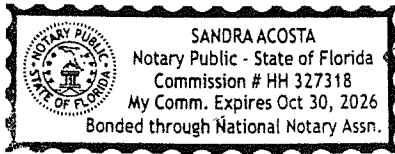
Carrie Parker Hill, having been duly elected to the Board of Supervisors at the Landowners' Meeting held on January 4, 2023, for a period of three years in accordance with the legislative act, Chapter 2009-258, Laws of Florida, took the oath of office in the form and manner required by law, after which she took her seat as the newly elected Supervisor of the Board of Supervisors of the Lake Worth Drainage District from Sub-District 4.

OATH OF CARRIE PARKER HILL

State of Florida
County of Palm Beach

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

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this the 11th day of January 2023, by Carrie Parker Hill, who is personally known to me and who did take an oath.




Notary Public State of Florida

8. Election of Board Officers: President, Senior Vice President and Vice President

A nomination for Stephen Bedner for President was made by Supervisor Whitworth, seconded by Supervisor Phipps and approved unanimously.

A nomination for James M. Alderman for Senior Vice President was made by Supervisor Whitworth, seconded by Supervisor Hill and approved unanimously.

A nomination for Carrie Parker Hill for Vice President was made by Supervisor Whitworth, seconded by Supervisor Phipps and approved unanimously.

9. Appointment of District Officers: Tommy B. Strowd, Secretary & District Engineer; Reagan Walker, Assistant Secretary; Karen Hoyt, Treasurer

A motion was made by Vice President Hill to approve the appointment of the District Officers as presented, seconded by Senior Vice President Alderman and approved unanimously.

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

A motion was made by Supervisor Whitworth to approve the minutes, check register and financial statement for the previous month, seconded by Vice President Hill and approved unanimously.

11. Approval to surplus and dispose of designated items – Karen Hoyt, Director of Finance & Administration

Ms. Hoyt stated pursuant to Chapter 274, Florida Statutes, the District has the discretion to surplus property that is obsolete or the continued use of which is uneconomical, unsafe, inefficient, or which serves no useful function. Staff have identified items that meet this criteria and requests that they be declared surplus and disposed of through the recommended disposal method. The list included 15 items consisting of AV equipment, equipment parts and office fixtures. A copy of the list was presented and is attached hereto as part of the meeting record.

Staff recommended approval to declare the listed items as surplus and authorize disposal of items.

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

12. Approval to solicit Requests for Proposals for Health Insurance and Liability Insurance Brokerage Services – Karen Hoyt, Director of Finance & Administration

Ms. Hoyt stated during this insurance cycle staff recommends solicitation of a formal Request for Proposal to ensure open and fair competition. She stated the current brokers, Brown & Brown (health insurance) and Preferred Risk Insurance Agency (property, casualty) will be notified and encouraged to submit a proposal. Ms. Hoyt stated services staff is seeking include but are not limited to: soliciting and negotiating annual renewals of insurance coverage; ensuring the District is in compliance with healthcare reform and pertinent legislative requirements; providing informational materials to employees related to enrollment activities, explanation of benefits and wellness programs; routinely evaluating risks and make recommendations for the appropriate mitigation of those risks in a cost-beneficial way; providing information on workers' compensation issues, trends and proposed or new legislation; coordinating notice of claims and/or losses to underwriters and act as a facilitator during claim process.

Ms. Hoyt presented tentative schedules for Health Insurance and Property Casualty proposal solicitations. She stated that the evaluation/selection committee will include herself, Melissa Skora, Reagan Walker and an appointed Board member.

Staff recommended approval to issue Request for Proposals (RFPs) for Brokerage Services for Health Insurance and Employee Benefits in January, followed by Property/Casualty Insurance in February. Appointment of a Board Supervisor to serve on the Evaluation/Selection Committee.

Vice President Hill volunteered to serve on the selection committees.

A motion was made by Supervisor Whitworth to approve staff recommendation and nomination of Vice President Hill to serve on the evaluation/selection committees, seconded by Supervisor Phipps and approved unanimously.

13. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Strowd stated in early January the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) issued a notice of rulemaking for their land management policies that includes requirements for landowners, municipalities, counties, and special taxing districts to develop a vegetation debris management plan and submit this plan to the water management district. He stated the rule requires implementing Best Management Practices to manage floating aquatic vegetation to prevent the discharge of trash and vegetation that migrates downstream into SFWMD canals. He stated that implementation of the rule will not affect any best management practices that LWDD already performs. Mr. Strowd stated he attended the public meeting and provided comment on the proposed rule, and that he will submit

written comment by the deadline on January 17, 2023. He will keep the Board updated on any developments.

Supervisor Phipps inquired about the status of roadway widening projects. Mr. Strowd stated discussions were still ongoing with FDOT and the Turnpike Authority on the Atlantic Avenue and Turnpike widening projects, respectively.

Director of Operations & Maintenance Tony LasCasas provided an update on the refurbishment of Control Structure 9. He stated the demolition of the existing buildings started and the project is currently on schedule.

Sr. Vice President Alderman inquired about status of ASR project. Mr. Strowd indicated that staff expects to present the results of the ASR Feasibility Study to the board within the next couple of months.

14. District Counsel's Report

No additional items to report.

15. Board Reports & Comment

No additional reports or comments.

16. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:09 A.M.



President – Stephen Bedner

Recording Secretary – Sandra Acosta

**LAKE WORTH DRAINAGE DISTRICT
PROCLAMATION IN HONOR OF
TERRY E. LEWIS, ESQ.**

Whereas, the LAKE WORTH DRAINAGE DISTRICT is a public body and political subdivision of the State of Florida, which owns rights-of-way and manages over five hundred miles of drainage canals within its jurisdictional boundary; and

Whereas, Terry E. Lewis, Esq. has advised the LAKE WORTH DRAINAGE DISTRICT Board of Supervisors and staff for more than 36 years, and has faithfully represented the interests of the LAKE WORTH DRAINAGE DISTRICT and all Florida Special Districts; and


Whereas, Terry E. Lewis, Esq. during his tenure has demonstrated extraordinary knowledge of Special Districts and assisted the LAKE WORTH DRAINAGE DISTRICT with many significant issues including but not limited to:

- Codifying, reenacting and amending the Lake Worth Drainage District's enabling act;
- Uniform Special Districts Accountability Act;
- Army Corps of Engineers modification to Water Conservation Area #1 regulation schedule;
- South Florida Water Management District v. Miccosukee Tribe of Indian Supreme Court Appeal;
- C-51 Water Resource Reservoir;
- Numerous legal opinions, representations and advice regarding legislative, lobbying and governmental affairs, land use and real estate law, administrative, civil and appellate litigation on behalf of the LAKE WORTH DRAINAGE District; and

Whereas, Terry E. Lewis, Esq. has retired from his law practice, Lewis Longman and Walker, P.A., on December 31, 2022 and the Lake Worth Drainage District Board of Supervisors and employees desire to honor, recognize and bestow upon Terry E. Lewis, Esq. the deserved appropriate recognition and accolades for his service.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved that the Board of Supervisors of the Lake Worth Drainage District, does hereby bestow special recognition to Terry E. Lewis, Esq. for his exceptional leadership and service to the Lake Worth Drainage District and Florida's Special Districts.

Unanimously approved this, the 11th day of January 2023.



Stephen Bedner, President

Listing of Items

<u>Asset ID</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Original Cost</u>	<u>Acquisition Date</u>	<u>Recommended Disposal Method</u>
Buildings & Improvements				
1	B68A Audio / Visual System - Monitors	18,890.00	4/30/2013	IT Asset Disposition Provider/Employee Sale/Recycling Program
2	B154C Security Camera System - NVR Hikvision 128 Channel	5,414.22	5/1/2018	IT Asset Disposition Provider/Employee Sale/Recycling Program
Machinery & Equipment				
3	07208 VORTEX TR W/BLOWER & STAND MOUNT	1,500.00	11/15/2002	Online Auction Website/Employee Sale/Recycling Program
4	07232 Outboard motor - Mercury, 40hp	4,312.08	9/29/2010	Online Auction Website/Employee Sale/Recycling Program
5	07390 Spill Containment Berm- Yellow	1,373.25	10/24/2013	Online Auction Website/Employee Sale/Recycling Program
6	07470 Pump - Diaphragm & gear box	1,181.28	5/27/2015	Online Auction Website/Employee Sale/Recycling Program
7	07667 2019 Outboard Motor - Mercury 40hp	9,365.00	12/16/2019	Online Auction Website/Employee Sale/Recycling Program
8	Boat 17 2007 CAROLINA SKIFF 16	3,497.00	2/12/2007	Online Auction Website/Employee Sale/Recycling Program
9	T-104A BED & LIFT GATE	5,496.00	9/26/2011	Online Auction Website/Employee Sale/Recycling Program
10	T-104B Bumper & Winch	2,744.00	11/3/2015	Online Auction Website/Employee Sale/Recycling Program
11	T-111A Body & Equipment	23,897.00	4/30/2008	Online Auction Website/Employee Sale/Recycling Program
Office Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment				
12	07327 Cisco Small Business Switch	1,320.32	1/6/2014	IT Asset Disposition Provider/Employee Sale/Recycling Program
13	07332 Server - Dell, PE R720	6,244.22	12/6/2013	IT Asset Disposition Provider/Employee Sale/Recycling Program
14	07404 TV - 50" LED Smart, Sharp	2,467.46	6/6/2014	IT Asset Disposition Provider/Employee Sale/Recycling Program
15	07557 Computer Laptop - Dell	2,061.23	12/22/2016	IT Asset Disposition Provider/Employee Sale/Recycling Program

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