

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LAKE WORTH DRAINAGE DISTRICT HELD AT THE DELRAY BEACH OFFICE ON May 15, 2024 AT 8:30 A.M.

Board Members Present:

John I. Whitworth, III Jeffrey Phipps, Sr. James M. Alderman Carrie P. Hill Stephen Bedner

1. Call to Order

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

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Hill led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Agenda Revisions – Tommy Strowd, Executive Director

Mr. Strowd announced that Agenda Item #13 has been deleted at the County's request.

4. Abstentions by Board Members from Items on the Agenda

There were no abstentions.

5. General Public Comment (limited to 5 minutes)

There was no general public comment.

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. Approval of qualified contractors to provide Tree & Vegetation Removal Services for June 2024 to May 2025 (RFQ #24-9887L.06) Michelle Sinclair, O&M Specialist/Procurement Coordinator

- 9. Approval to convey fee title right-of-way on the L-24 Canal to Florida Department of Transportation in exchange for additional fee title right-of-way conveyed by Logan Ranch Build to Rent, LLC for construction of a turn-lane on Boynton Beach Boulevard. Location: L-24 Canal, southeast corner of Acme Dairy Road and Boynton Beach Boulevard (Project #RI-22-0063) David Bends, Right-of-Way Interest Supervisor
- 10. Approval to issue a Right-of-Way Permit to Christopher & Nicole Ihnat for the existing fence and pool deck to remain within the south 1' of the L-50 Canal right-of-way. Location: L-50 Canal, north of Southwest 18th Street; 6123 Golf Vista Way, Boca Raton (Project # RW-24-0049) – Nicole Smith, Permit Supervisor

11. Board vote on Consent Agenda

A copy of the meeting materials and presentations for the Consent Agenda items are attached hereto as part of the meeting record.

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

DISCUSSION

12. Approval of Resolution 2024-01 finding a certain Piping Easement Agreement in default and directing staff to prepare necessary plans, specifications, and cost estimates to remedy the default. Location: L-25 Canal within Pine Tree Country Club Estates; 10519 Pine Tree, Boynton Beach (Project #91-1557D.01, 03-1557P.08, CM-20-0260) – Brian Tilles, Director of Right-of-Way Regulation

Mr. Tilles presented a history of the agreement and subsequent compliance issues. He outlined the current actions taken due to evidence of potential pipe failure and stated that the pipe must be repaired/removed. Mr. Tilles also provided pros and cons of potential remedies. A copy of the presentation is attached as a part of the meeting record.

Staff recommended approval to adopt Resolution No. 2024-01 finding a certain piping easement agreement in default; directing staff to prepare the necessary plans and specifications to remedy the default and prepare cost estimates; directing the plans and cost estimates to be placed on file with the District; and providing an effective date.

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

13. Denial of Palm Beach County Traffic Division's permit modification application to request nine (9) signal pull boxes to remain within the L-13 Canal right-of-way. Location: North side of 6th Avenue, east of Congress Avenue at the entrance to Palm Beach State College (Project #RW-24-0027) – Nicole Smith, Permit Supervisor - ITEM DELETED

STAFF REPORTS

14. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Strowd reported that Control Structure #9 has been successfully integrated into the SCADA system, which is highly beneficial to the agency.

Mr. Strowd provided an update on LWDD's request to SFWMD to release reservations on parcels related to the sale of LWDD-owned property within the Agricultural Reserve. Mr. Strowd continues to work with SFWMD towards a resolution on the release of reservations.

Mr. LasCasas reported on the sewage spill that occurred approximately a month and a half ago at 10th and Florida Mango. The issue has been fully resolved, with the canal being restored or in the process of being restored, and the flow has been reinstated. This week, a walkthrough was conducted with the city, and the accumulated bill will be sent to them. Final bank restoration work is ongoing, and the issue seems to be resolved.

Additionally, Mr. LasCasas provided an update on the District's hydraulic modeling effort to provide a comprehensive analysis of the system's function and identifying contributing areas. The model is currently in the calibration phase. He shared examples of the recent calibration efforts and stated the goal is for the model to accurately reflect real conditions, enabling informed decisions on system improvements. This updated model will supersede the 1996 model, incorporating new environmental and development factors. Progress is ahead of schedule.

Ms. Hoyt reported that the auditors will attend the June workshop to present the audited financial statement.

Ms. Walker reported that a workshop is scheduled for June 4th to discuss the draft budget.

15. District Counsel's Report

No additional items to report.

16. Board Reports & Comment

No additional reports or comments.

17. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:18 A.M.

Sr. Vice President – James Alderman Recording Secretary – Sandra Acosta