



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF  
LAKE WORTH DRAINAGE DISTRICT  
HELD AT THE DELRAY BEACH OFFICE ON  
June 12, 2024 AT 8:30 A.M.**

**Board Members Present:**

John I. Whitworth, III  
Jeffrey Phipps, Sr.

James M. Alderman  
Carrie P. Hill

**Board Member Present On the Phone:**

Stephen Bedner

**1. Call to Order**

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

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Ms. Whitworth led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Service Award Recognition**

- **Pam Barrera, Records Management Assistant- 20 Years**
- **Rosemary Rayman, Outreach and Records Manager- 35 Years**

Mr. Strowd recognized Pam Barrera for 20 years of service at the District. The Board thanked Ms. Barrera for her service and presented her with a service pin and a certificate in recognition of her dedication.

Mr. Strowd also recognized Rosemary Rayman for 35 years of service at the District. The Board thanked Ms. Rayman for her service and presented her with an additional 5 days of annual leave to use within a year, as well as a certificate in recognition of her dedication.

**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 was no general public comment.

## **CONSENT**

- 7. Board comment or request to pull items from Consent Agenda**
- 8. Approval of minutes, check register and financial statement for the previous month**
- 9. Approval to surplus designated items – Karen Hoyt, Director of Finance & Administration**
- 10. 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**

- 11. Approval of Fiscal Year 2023 Audited Financial Statements – Karen Hoyt, Director of Finance & Administration**

Ms. Hoyt presented the audited financial statements for approval, sharing two minor revisions since the report was first presented at the previous Board Workshop.

On page 8 & 10, a footnote was added to address that the 'unrestricted' funds included committed funds for hazard mitigation and capital improvements. On page 19, the investment disclosure in the financial statements was revised to include John Deere's Fitch AAA rating. Other than these revisions, no additional changes were made.

Staff recommended approval of the audited financial statements for FY2023.

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

- 12. Approval to extend contract with Grau & Associates for Annual Auditing Services – Karen Hoyt, Director of Finance & Administration**

Ms. Hoyt stated she received an engagement letter from Grau & Associates to extend auditing services for an additional year. She stated that they are increasing their rates from \$41,000 to \$42,000.

Staff recommended approval to a one-year extension of services for Grau & Associates.

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

## **STAFF REPORTS**

### **13. Executive Director's Report**

Mr. Strowd provided an update on recent rainfall due to a tropical wave. LWDD received between one to four inches of rain, mostly in the southern portion. In response, LWDD opened gates and water stages remain controlled.

Mr. Strowd reported on the Lake Okeechobee regulation schedule, noting that the final environmental impact statement has been issued. The Corps is requesting comments on it. There are no significant changes, only minor text adjustments to accommodate some comments. LWDD continues to have concerns with the proposed schedule and will continue to provide comments.

Mr. Strowd stated that staff continue to work with South Florida Water Management District for the release of reservations on the TDR parcels sold to GL Homes.

Ms. Walker reported that the July 9 workshop will be canceled.

### **14. District Counsel's Report**

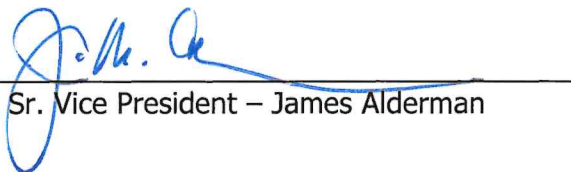
No additional items to report.

### **15. Board Reports & Comment**

No additional reports or comments.

### **16. Adjourn**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:52 A.M.

  
Sr. Vice President – James Alderman

  
Recording Secretary – Sandra Acosta