

St. Lucie West Services District
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
March 5, 2019, at 9:00 a.m.
450 SW Utility Drive
Port St. Lucie, Florida 34986

(Please note: This is not verbatim. A CD recording of the Regular Board Meeting is available on file.)

Board Members Present

Vincent D'Amico, Chairman
Gregg Ney, Vice Chairman
Wayne Smith, Secretary
John Doughney, Supervisor
Everett Child, Supervisor

Staff Present

Dennis Pickle, District Manager, St. Lucie West Services District ("SLWSD")
Bill Hayden, Public Works Director/Assistant District Manager, SLWSD
Maddie Maldonado, Office Manager, SLWSD
Lisa Beans, Administrative Assistant, SLWSD
Josh Miller, Assistant Utilities Director, SLWSD
Dan Harrell, District Counsel, Gonano & Harrell
Bob Lawson, District Engineer, ARCADIS-US, Inc.
Jason Pierman, District Treasurer, Special District Services, Inc. ("SDS")
Laura Archer, Recording Secretary, SDS

Guests Present (Sign-In Sheet Attached)

A. Call to Order

Chairman D'Amico called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

It was noted that all 5 Supervisors were in attendance.

D. Approval of Minutes

- 1. February 4, 2019, Workshop**
- 2. February 5, 2019, Regular Board Meeting**

A MOTION was made by Secretary Smith, seconded by Supervisor Doughney approving the Workshop Minutes of February 4, 2019, as amended, and the
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February 5, 2019, Regular Board Meeting Minutes, as presented. Upon being put to a vote, the **MOTION** carried 5 to 0.

E. Public Comment

Ron Nickel, a resident of the District, presented a letter he had received regarding a special exception with regard to the Publix west of LA Fitness, asking if the District knew anything about it.

Mr. Pickle indicated it was brought to his attention several months ago for utility information only. He noted the exception was for a drive-thru pharmacy at Publix.

That concluded the public comment portion of the meeting.

F. District Attorney

DA 1 – Consider First Amendment to Agreement for Sale and Purchase between CGI St. Lucie, LLC and the District

Mr. Harrell noted that this was a change to the golf course purchase agreement and he showed an aerial of the changes in acreage.

After a brief discussion, the following motion was made.

A **MOTION** was made by Supervisor Child, seconded by Vice Chairman Ney and passed unanimously approving the First Amendment to Agreement for Sale and Purchase between CGI St. Lucie, LLC and the District, as presented.

G. District Engineer

DE 1 – Other Items/Updates

Mr. Lawson advised that the 6B Project was almost complete. He noted that the gate would be functional very soon.

Mr. Lawson noted that the plans for the new administrative building was going through the City's approval process and indicated it would take several months.

That concluded Mr. Lawson's updates.

H. District Manager

Action Items

DM 1 – Consider Approval of Request to Advertise for a Public Hearing to Consider Adoption of Proposed Amendments to the Drug-Free Workplace Policy

Mr. Pickle presented the item, indicating that he was seeking the Board's approval to schedule the Public Hearing and public notice thereof.

A **MOTION** was made by Vice Chairman Ney, seconded by Supervisor Child and passed unanimously approving the scheduling of a Public Hearing on the Proposed Amendments to the Drug-Free Workplace Policy for May 7, 2019, and publication of the notice thereof.

Mr. Pickle then advised of the upcoming budget season, asking the Board their preference for holding budget workshops. It was decided that they would hold a budget workshop on April 1st and another in May, if necessary.

Supervisor Doughney asked about policy changes regarding the upland tracts and whether a Board vote was necessary. Mr. Pickle clarified that the District was not definitively taking over the tracts at this time, but rather there was a Board consensus to move forward with additional research to be brought back for further discussion. Mr. Pickle then indicated after receipt of the additional information, if the Board agreed, the next step would be to set a Public Hearing to accept the study and adopt the change in policy.

Mr. Pickle reiterated the fact that Kings Isle had withdrawn their request for the lake transfer and no further action was required.

I. Consent Agenda

Mr. Pickle presented Consent Agenda items CA 1 through CA 6.

CA 1 – Monthly Report on Public Works Department

CA 2 – Monthly Report on Utilities Operations

CA 3 – Monthly Report on Capital Improvement Projects

CA 4 – Monthly Report on Billing and Customer Service

CA 5 – Financial Statements for January 2019

CA 6 – Consider Approval to Transfer Funds for the R&R Requisition

A **MOTION** was made by Secretary Smith, seconded by Supervisor Doughney and passed unanimously approving Consent Agenda items CA 1 through CA 6, as presented.

J. Supervisor Requests

Supervisor Child made a comment regarding the possible return of the lake issue. He noted that he does not believe the other 6 HOAs would agree to take over their lakes.

Vice Chairman Ney advised that he had volunteered the use of the Board Meeting Room on March 13, 2019, for the Presidents' Council.

Referring to Supervisor Child's comment, Secretary Smith noted that the lake transfer was no longer a District matter.

Supervisor Child then referred to the Service Orders in the monthly report. He noted that one of those reported was his and that his plumber immediately went to the commode, shut it off and replaced what was necessary and repaired the leak. He wanted to make others aware of it being such an easy fix.

Secretary Smith asked Josh how far along the District was with the new meters. Josh replied that they were approximately 65% completed

There were no further Supervisor Requests.

K. Adjournment

There being no further items to be addressed, the Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 9:43 a.m. There were no objections.

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Chairman/Vice Chairman


Secretary/Assistant Secretary

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