

St. Lucie West Services District
Public Hearing & Regular Board Meeting Minutes
October 6, 2020, at 9:00 a.m.
VIA TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATIONS
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(Please note: This is not verbatim. A CD recording of the Public Hearing & Regular Board Meeting is available on file.)

Board Members Present

Vincent D'Amico, Chairman – in-person
Gregg Ney, Vice Chairman – in-person
John Doughney, Secretary – in-person
Everett Child, Supervisor – via conference call
Dominick Graci, Supervisor – in-person

Staff Present

Dennis Pickle, District Manager, St. Lucie West Services District (“SLWSD”) – in-person
Bill Hayden, Public Works Director/Assistant District Manager, SLWSD – in-person
Josh Miller, Utilities Director/Assistant District Manager, SLWSD – in-person
Maddie Maldonado, Director of Office Administration, SLWSD – in-person
Gerard Rouse, Assistant Public Works Director, SLWSD – in-person
Bob Lawson, District Engineer, ARCADIS-US, Inc. – in-person
Dan Harrell, District Counsel, Gonano & Harrell – in-person
Jason Pierman, District Treasurer, Special District Services, Inc. (“SDS”) – via conference call
Laura Archer, Recording Secretary, SDS – in-person

Also present in-person was the following District resident: Vio Mocuta.

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 either in-person or attending via conference call.

D. Approval of Minutes

- 1. August 31, 2020, Workshop**
- 2. September 1, 2020, Regular Board Meeting**

The minutes of the August 31, 2020, Workshop and the September 1, 2020, Regular Board Meeting were presented for consideration.

A **MOTION** was made by Secretary Doughney, seconded by Supervisor Graci and unanimously passed approving the minutes of the August 31, 2020, Workshop, as presented, and the September 1, 2020, Regular Board Meeting, as presented.

E. Public Hearing 1
1. Call to Order

Chairman D'Amico recessed the Regular Board Meeting and opened Public Hearing 1.

2. Roll Call

It was noted that all 5 Supervisors were either in-person or attending via conference call.

3. Receive Public Comment on Amending the Drug-Free Workplace Policy of the St. Lucie West Services District

There was no public comment on amending the Drug-Free Workplace Policy of the St. Lucie West Services District.

- **PH 1 – Consider Resolution No. 2020-06 – Amending the Drug-Free Workplace Policy of the St. Lucie West Services District**

Resolution No. 2020-06 was presented, entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-06

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE POLICY OF THE ST. LUCIE WEST SERVICES DISTRICT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A **MOTION** was made by Supervisor Graci, seconded by Secretary Doughney and passed unanimously adopting Resolution No. 2020-06, as presented.

Chairman D'Amico then closed the Public Hearing and reconvened the Regular Board Meeting.

F. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

**G. District Attorney
DA 1 – Status Report/Updates**

Mr. Harrell advised that the Governor’s waiver of in-person quorums would expire at the end of the month at which time at least 3 Board Members would be required to be physically present at meetings.

**H. District Engineer
DE 1 – Consider Work Authorization No. 2B1A – 08-2008-R between St. Lucie West Services District and Trudy Harangozo of 443 SW Fairway Vista**

Mr. Lawson presented the item, indicating that it was an application for the installation of landscape materials on the border of Tract “N” and Conservation Tract “76.” Mr. Lawson noted that both tracts were owned by the District and are located to the north of Lot 61 of SLW Plat No. 41 owned by the Applicant.

Mr. Lawson advised that the Applicant was requesting permission to install 20 firebush plants along the edge of the conservation tract and that Staff had reviewed the request and does not object to the installation of the additional planting material with the following 2 special conditions:

1. Applicant shall be responsible for removal and replacement of the facilities authorized herein should the District determine that removal and replacement is necessary to properly maintain the water management or conservation tract.
2. Maintenance of the planted materials shall be the responsibility of the applicant.

A **MOTION** was made by Vice Chairman Ney, seconded by Secretary Doughney and passed unanimously approving Work Authorization No. 2B1A-08-2008-R between St. Lucie West Services District and Trudy Harangozo of 443 SW Fairway Vista with the following 2 special conditions: 1.) Applicant shall be responsible for removal and replacement of the facilities authorized herein should the District determine that removal and replacement is necessary to properly maintain the water management or conservation tract; and 2.) Maintenance of the planted materials shall be the responsibility of the applicant, as presented.

**I. District Manager
Action Items**

DM 1 – Status Report/Updates

Mr. Pickle asked the Board if the District could resume shut offs. Discussion ensued regarding the current state of emergency and how many accounts were designated as delinquent.

A **MOTION** was made by Supervisor Graci, seconded by Secretary Doughney to resume shut offs at the end of October. Upon being put to a vote, the **MOTION** carried 4 to 1 with Vice Chairman Ney dissenting.

J. Consent Agenda

Mr. Pickle presented Consent Agenda items CA 1 through CA 7 and recommended approval.

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 August, 2020

CA 6 – Consider Approval to Transfer Funds for the R&R Account Requisitions for Fiscal Year 2020

CA 7 – Surplus Items

A **MOTION** was made by Secretary Doughney, seconded by Supervisor Graci and passed unanimously approving Consent Agenda items CA 1 through CA 7, as presented.

L. Supervisor Requests

Vice Chairman Ney had no requests.

Secretary Doughney asked how their experience was with the construction company. Mr. Lawson indicated he believed it was pretty good and that they were very responsive and on site.


Chairman D'Amico expressed his happiness with the construction of the new administrative building and said everyone did a wonderful job.

That concluded the Supervisor Requests.

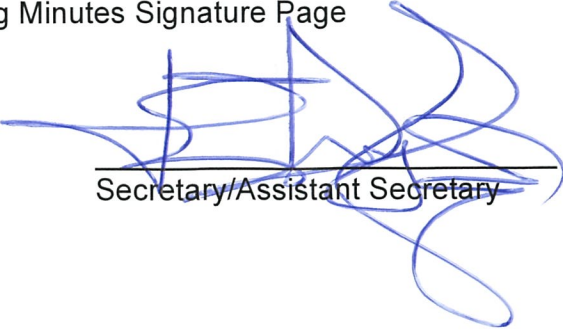
K. Adjournment

There being no further items to be addressed, the Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 9:21 a.m. There were no objections.

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Chairman/Vice Chairman



Secretary/Assistant Secretary

Date Approved 11/03/20