St. Lucie West Services District

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

April 6, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.
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(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 – in-person Gregg Ney – Vice Chairman – in-person John Doughney, Secretary – in-person Dominick Graci, Supervisor – in-person Viorel Mocuta, Supervisor – in-person

Staff Present

Dennis Pickle, District Manager, St. Lucie West Services District ("SLWSD") - inperson

Josh Miller, Utilities Director/Assistant District Manager, SLWSD - in-person

Gerard Rouse, Assistant Public Works Director, SLWSD - via phone

Bob Lawson, District Engineer, ARCADIS-US, Inc. – in-person

Dan Harrell, District Counsel, Gonano & Harrell – in-person

Jason Pierman, Secretary/Treasurer, Special District Services, Inc. ("SDS") - via phone

Laura Archer, Recording Secretary, Special District Services, Inc. ("SDS") - inperson

Guests Present (Sign-In Sheet Attached)

A. Call to Order

Chairman D'Amico called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Roll Call

It was noted that all 5 Supervisors were present in-person.

- D. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. March 1, 2021, Workshop
 - 2. March 2, 2021, Regular Board Meeting

The minutes of the March 1, 2021, Workshop and the March 2, 2021, Regular Board Meeting were presented for consideration.

A **MOTION** was made by Vice Chairman Ney, seconded by Secretary Graci and unanimously passed approving the minutes of the March 1, 2021, Workshop, as presented, and the March 2, 2021, Regular Board Meeting, as presented.

E. Public Comment

This item was moved to after the presentation by Hal Dodt of Leonardi Capital Group.

DM 1 - Discussion Regarding Developer's Proposal

Mr. Dodt introduced himself and gave a brief overview of the Developer's proposal. He advised that this was a preliminary conceptual plan. Mr. Dodt then opened the floor to comments and questions.

Randy DeFrehn, President of the Fairway Isles' HOA, cued up a PowerPoint presentation of the residents' major concerns.

Numerous residents made their positions perfectly clear regarding the potential sale of the parcel of land at California and St. Lucie West Boulevards.

Chairman D'Amico assured those present that the District's main objective was to make the community better, not money.

Several more residents expressed their opposition to the sale of the property.

A **MOTION** was then made by Secretary Doughney, seconded by Vice Chairman Ney, rejecting the Developer's proposal to sell the property located at California and St. Lucie West Boulevards. Upon being put to a vote, the **MOTION** carried unanimously.

Chairman D'Amico noted that the District would find the money to complete the necessary projects without compromising the integrity of the District/Board.

At 10:16 a.m., Chairman D'Amico called for a brief recess.

Chairman D'Amico reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 10:28 a.m.

F. District Attorney DA 1 – Status Report/Updates

Mr. Harrell had no updates at this time.

G. District Engineer

DE 1 - Consider Change Order #3 between the District and Sisca Construction Services, LLC related to the Administrative Building

Mr. Lawson presented the item, indicating that this was a reduction change order in the amount of \$34,950.49. He recommended approval.

A **MOTION** was made by Vice Chairman Ney, seconded by Supervisor Graci and passed unanimously approving Change Order #3 between the St. Lucie West Services District and Sisca Construction Services, LLC in the reduced amount of \$34,950.49, as presented.

H. District Manager Action Items

DM 2 - Consider Resolution No. 2021-01 - E-Verify Memorandum of Understanding

Resolution No. 2021-01 was presented, entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE ST. LUCIE WEST SERVICES DISTRICT DIRECTING THE DISTRICT MANAGER TO REGISTER THE DISTRICT WITH AND USE THE E-VERIFY SYSTEM PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 448.095, FLORIDA STATUTES; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE E-VERIFY MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR EMPLOYERS BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (DHS); PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

A **MOTION** was made by Supervisor Graci, seconded by Supervisor Mocuta and passed unanimously accepting, ratifying and approving Resolution No. 2021-01, as presented.

I. 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 February, 2021

CA 6 – Consider Approval to Transfer Funds for the R&R Account Requisitions for Fiscal Year 2021

CA 7 – Surplus Items

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

J. Supervisor Requests

Vice Chairman Ney noted that he was very pleased with the Board's decision regarding selling the property at the corner of California and St. Lucie West Boulevards.

Chairman D'Amico thanked staff for their wonderful work.

That concluded the Supervisor Requests.

K. Adjournment

There being no further items to be addressed, the Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 10:34 a.m. There were no objections.

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Chairman/Vice Chairman

Date Approved

Secretary/Assistant Secretary