St. Lucie West Services District Regular Board Meeting Minutes

November 8, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

(Please note: These minutes are 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

Bill Hayden, District Manager, St. Lucie West Services District ("SLWSD") – in-person Josh Miller, Utilities Director/Assistant District Manager, SLWSD – in-person Maddie Maldonado, Director of Office Administration – in-person Gerard Rouse, Assistant Public Works Director, SLWSD – in-person Thomas Bayer, Assistant Utilities Director, SLWSD – in-person Dan Harrell, District Counsel, Gonano & Harrell – in-person Fairborz Zanganeh, District Engineer, Infrastructure Solution Services. – in-person Jason Pierman, Secretary/Treasurer, Special District Services, Inc. ("SDS") – via phone Laura Archer, Recording Secretary, SDS – in-person

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. October 3, 2022, Workshop
 - 2. October 4, 2022, Regular Board Meeting

The minutes of the October 3, 2022, Workshop and the October 4, 2022, Regular Board Meeting were presented for consideration.

A **MOTION** was made by Vice Chairman Ney, seconded by Secretary Doughney and unanimously passed, approving the minutes of the October 3, 2022, Workshop and the October 4, 2022, Regular Board Meeting, as presented.

E. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

F. District Attorney DA 1 – Status Report/Updates

Mr. Harrell advised that the City of Port St. Lucie was reviewing stormwater interlocal agreements and a preliminary report indicates that the City is looking to reduce the stormwater rebate from 75% to within the 25% to 40% range, which is very significant. The District will join with other local districts in securing consultants to analyze budgets regarding stormwater matters.

Mr. Harrell noted that the District supplements what the City gives back to the District in order to maintain stormwater projects. Mr. Harrell indicated that a proposal will be provided to determine if the District will proceed. The first company asked to provide a proposal is Raftelis, the company who provides annual reports and projections for the stormwater system of the District. Once approved, the costs associated with the analysis will be spread across 4 different districts.

Discussion ensued about budget structuring differences between the City and the District.

Mr. Harrell then advised of his intention of stepping away from his practice in the spring. He will offer a continuation of his services through another firm, where he will be in the background. That firm's name is Torcivia, Donlon, Goddeau & Ansay, P.A., specifically Glen Torcivia, with whom Mr. Harrell has been familiar for years.

G. District Engineer

DE 1 – Consider Work Authorization No. 7BN3-14-0722-SU between the District and TPC Port St. Lucie, LLC

Mr. Zanganeh presented the item, indicating this was for the construction of a 3.49-acre commercial development on the corner of NW Enterprise Drive and NW Stadium Drive. He indicated that the lot was currently undeveloped and was covered heavily with trees and vegetation.

Mr. Zanganeh went on to explain that the applicant proposes to construct a recreational facility with associated driveways and parking spaces and would utilize and connect to the existing water, sewer and reuse lines adjacent to the lot. He noted that staff was recommending approval of this Work Authorization with the 2 following special conditions:

- 1.) All water, sewer and reuse improvements past the points of service shown on the plans shall be the responsibility of the applicant or subsequent owner.
- 2.) All on-site drainage facilities including the proposed control structure shall remain in private ownership and must be the maintenance responsibility of the applicant or subsequent owner.

Vice Chairman Ney expressed his displeasure of developing green space.

A **MOTION** was made by Supervisor Graci, seconded by Secretary Doughney and passed unanimously approving Work Authorization No. 7BN3-14-0722-SU between the District and TPC Port St. Lucie, LLC with the following 2 special conditions:

- 1.) All water, sewer and reuse improvements past the points of service shown on the plans shall be the responsibility of the applicant or subsequent owner.
- 2.) All on-site drainage facilities including the proposed control structure shall remain in private ownership and must be the maintenance responsibility of the applicant or subsequent owner.

H. District Manager Action Items

DM 1 – Consider Change Order from PRP Construction Group, LLC for the SW077 Water Main Bypass Project

Mr. Miller presented the item, indicating that it had been discussed the previous day. He noted that the project was almost complete.

A **MOTION** was made by Secretary Doughney, seconded by Supervisor Graci approving the dewatering Change Order from PRP Construction in the amount of \$127,216.50, as presented.

Discussion ensued regarding the process for ratifying matters, if an Emergency meeting should have been called or if a phone poll of Board Members could take place.

Secretary Doughney's **MOTION** was reiterated, seconded by Supervisor Graci approving the dewatering Change Order from PRP Construction in the amount of \$127,216.50, as presented. Available Project Budget being \$660,117.30; This Project Cost: \$127.216.50; leaving an Available Balance of \$532,900.80. Upon being put to a vote, the **MOTION** carried 4 to 1 with Vice Chairman Ney dissenting.

DM 2 - Consider the Purchase of Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI)

Mr. Miller presented the item, indicating that this would move the District forward with metering technology.

A brief discussion ensued regarding the previous meters that were installed.

A **MOTION** was made by Secretary Doughney, seconded by Supervisor Graci and passed unanimously approving the purchase of Advanced Metering Infrastructure Upgrade from Kamstrup Water Metering LLC in the amount of \$154,000, as presented. Renewal & Replacement Available Project Budget: \$154,000; This Project: \$154,000; leaving an Available Balance of \$0.00, as presented.

DM 3 - Consider Resolution No. 2022-10 - Adopting an Amended Budget for Fiscal Year 2022

Resolution No. 2022-10 was presented, entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE ST. LUCIE WEST SERVICES DISTRICT ADOPTING AN AMENDED FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Hayden presented the amended budget and noted that all expenses were covered. He recommended approval.

A **MOTION** was made by Secretary Doughney, seconded by Vice Chairman Ney and passed unanimously adopting Resolution No. 2022-10, as presented.

DM 4 – Consider Resolution No. 2022-11 – Expressing Appreciation to Vice J. D'Amico for His Dedicated Service to the District

Resolution No. 2022-11 was presented, entitled:

RESOLUTION 2022-11

A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ST. LUCIE WEST SERVICES DISTRICT TO VINCE J. D'AMICO

Mr. Hayden asked Chairman D'Amico to join him and read the resolution into the record:

WHEREAS, Vince J. D'Amico was elected to the Board of Supervisors of St. Lucie West Services District in November 2010; and

WHEREAS, Vince J. D'Amico performed outstanding service to the District during his years as Chairman and Supervisor of St. Lucie West Services District and took an unusual, personal interest in performing his task; and

WHEREAS, Vince J. D'Amico served the District as its Supervisor from November 2010 above and beyond the usual call to duty until November 8, 2022; and

BE IT RESOLVED that St. Lucie West Services District, its Board of Supervisors, and each individual member thereof and its officers and other personnel hereby express their sincere and deep appreciation to Vince J. D'Amico for his outstanding service to the District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be made a part of the permanent records of the District and copy thereof to be duly signed and awarded to Vince J. D'Amico.

Dated this 8th day of November 2022.

Dennis Pickle then entered the room and presented Chairman D'Amico with a plaque commemorating his years of service to the District.

All those present applauded Chairman D'Amico and he said a few words, thanking everyone for a great 10 years.

DM 5 – Other Items/Updates

Mr. Hayden advised of the All-Hands Meeting scheduled for December 8, 2022.

Mr. Hayden advised that they were preparing for the storm (Tropical Storm/Hurricane Nicole), awaiting updates. The expected landfall is between Vero Beach and Sebastian and they are expecting 4 to 5 inches of rain. The gates were opened on Monday morning. He also noted that St. Lucie County Schools would be closed

Wednesday and Thursday in anticipation of the storm, with Friday being Veterans' Day, when schools were scheduled to be closed as well.

That concluded Mr. Hayden's updates.

I. Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda items CA 1 through CA 6 were presented for consideration.

- 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 September, 2022
- CA 6 Consider Approval to Transfer Funds for the R&R Account, the WCF Account, the WMB Account and the WWCF Account Requisitions

CA 7 - Surplus Items

A **MOTION** was made by Supervisor Graci, seconded by Secretary Doughney approving Consent Agenda items CA 1 through CA 7, as presented. Upon being put to a vote, the **MOTION** carried unanimously.

J. Supervisor Requests

Supervisor Graci expressed his pleasure working with and for Chairman D'Amico.

Supervisor Graci also reminded those present of the next Presidents' Council meeting in January and noted that a meeting had been scheduled for November 16, 2022, at Kings Isles regarding the Bethany Road matter.

Supervisor Graci asked about the status of information regarding solar energy to which Mr. Hayden advised that Mr. Rouse was working on looking at having solar panels installed at the gates.

Secretary Doughney noted his pleasure serving with Chairman D'Amico

Chairman D'Amico thanked everyone.

That concluded Supervisor Requests.

K. Adjournment

There being no further items to be addressed, the Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 9:34 a.m. There were no objections.

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Chairman/Vice Chairman

Date Approved

Secretary/Assistant \$ecretary