

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MINUTES
OF THE SAN CARLOS ESTATES WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2024, 6:00 P.M.
GULF SHORE CHURCH, 25300 BERNWOOD PARKWAY, BONITA SPRINGS FL 34135**

1. Call Meeting to order.

2. Roll Call of the Board of Supervisors: Chair and President, Jim Bradford (Jim), Vice-Chair and Vice President, Jennifer Finazzo (Jennifer) and Supervisor is running a few minutes late, John Cellucci (John); Engineer Ron Edenfield (Ron); Attorney, Richard Pringle (Richard), Audrey Medeiros, Manager and Superintendent of Operations (Audrey) and guests.

3. Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation.

4. Receive Engineer's Report on District Works:

Open Permits 25, New Permits 2, Closed Permits 4, Inspections 11

We have canal Plans for the restoration work underway for the FEMA Project. Surveys are completed. Weir plans are done. Soon to go out for bidding and permitting. Traffic over the right of way from Imperial to Melanie Lane was explained to the Director of Lee County DOT requesting a barrier to prevent this activity, will keep you posted. We are collaborating with local surveyors to gather locations for Stillwell gate and Strike Lane entrances for placement of lighting and cameras. We are working with FPPL to coordinate lighting. Roadside clearing by D&S is ready for inspection. Jim requested Ron touch base with Peter Debaz to ensure he and Peter work together for FEMA date compliance. The Weir project will require substantial permitting which is a justification for requesting a time extension. SFLWMD manages the permitting review on the canal, and the Army Core. Waterfall Drive: swing arms are in the plan to block off this road to prevent all the drag racing.

5. Manager's Report: CIP PHII 52300.58, 120485.20 outstanding. Clickers: 114 clickers paid already totaling \$2850.00. Audit is in full swing. Pringle's input is requested. Manager did view the trash in the canal.

6. Chair's Report: We have a few things we are working on. Supervisor Cellucci adds: The FMIT Policy will be reviewed. We outsource our website and email which are being covered with their own firewalls and protections. Other coverages do not serve this District's specific needs.

7. Treasurer's Report: Financials and meeting minutes have been given to the Supervisor. FEMA did submit a small amount of reimbursement for the cleaning of the canal. The FMIT Policy needs to be reevaluated as it is very expensive, and the coverage does not serve our needs.

8. Attorney's Report: I will generate the Audit Letter. We will address last year's comments as needed. Continues interacting with the City of BS related to the Interlocal agreement.

9. Amendments to the Meeting Agenda: None

10. Public Input on Business Agenda Items (3-minute limit): One: D&S will meet Engineer to review the work

11. Business Agenda Items (Agenda Items Requiring Action) a. Monthly Meeting Minutes Approval – 12/31/2023.

b. Financial Report Approval – 12/31/2023 Bank Statements; 12/31/2023 Financial Reports; 12/31/2023 Bills and Financial Report as of 01/15/2024: Approve by the Board

c. Stillwell Gate Update: John reports: Audrey has been gracious enough to allow people to come to her house. These are going to be fobs not like garage door openers.

d. Gate: Clickers Update on roll-out: See Manager

12. Public Input (3-minute limit)

Ron Brown: Presents scenarios, John responded: We are doing our best to please most of the people for this new rollout.

Cindy Barbera: Questions about the FOBS. Why was the gate closed? Jim replied: It was miscommunication but has resolved.

David Nadig: You letter sent out from the annual meeting: The ROWs in favor of the district is superior to everyone else's right in the ROW. My quest is to the Supervisors. What rights that you have are superior to mine? The district exclusively controls all uses and activities in the District ROW's. Do I need your permission to put my trash out? David was referred to the Lawyer but that was not satisfactory, and he demanded the Supervisors to answer. He would not accept the answer from the Lawyer but for all the others who want to know what the rights are regarding The District and The Landowners. The Lawyer did explain.

Mr. Pringle states, "The District does control the uses that occur within the Districts Right of Way. The Landowners own the land subject to the districts control of the Right of ways and of all the uses that occur in the right of way.

13. Supervisor Comments: None

14. Adjournment: 6:44 PM.