

**MINUTES OF MEETING
SPRING LAKE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

The Regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Spring Lake Improvement District was held Wednesday, September 8, 2021, at the District Office, 115 Spring Lake Boulevard, Sebring, Florida.

Present were:

Tim McKenna
Bill Lawens
Kay Gorham
Brian Acker
Sue Dean

Chairman
Vice Chairman
Secretary
Asst. Secretary
Asst. Secretary

Also present were:

Bill Nielander
Joe DeCerbo
Clay Shrum
Diane Angell
Randy Nelson

District Attorney
District Manager
Director of Operations
District Administrator
Drainage Superintendent

Residents & Guests

“See Sign in Sheet”

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order

Chairman McKenna called the meeting to order. He introduced his sister Mary Margaret, and she led the pledge.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Upcoming Meetings/Events/Correspondence

Tim congratulated Randy Nelson on his 30 years of service with the District.

The District submitted a Preferred TIPS application with our insurance carrier Public Risk Underwriters and we were approved for the maximum \$5,000 reimbursement.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

Supervisor Requests

Bill Lawens asked if the District utilized Liquid Oxygen at any of our plant facilities. Clay responded no.

Brian asked about the status of the Pump Station repair. Clay reported that the pump station is back up and fully operational. Brian said that the engineer should look at the trash gates considering all the problems we have been having and the considerable amount of money that has been spent.

Brian said that the county is looking at putting recycling stations in various parts of the county and he is adamantly opposed to the county bringing them back to Spring Lake. Unless the city comes up with a good plan Spring Lake should not participate.

Tim McKenna asked about employees who were recently sent to Aquatics short school. Randy reported that Lamar Blount and Trey Cleveland attended the school and that both have passed both tests and will be receiving their Aquatics license.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approval of Minutes

The Board received copies of the minutes from August 11, 2021, for review. There being no further questions.

ON MOTION by Kay Gorham, seconded by Bill Lawens with all in favor the minutes from August 11, 2021, Board meeting was approved.

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approval of Financials

The Board received copies of the August 2021 Financials for review. There being no further questions.

ON MOTION by Brian Acker, seconded by Sue Dean with all in favor the financials from August 2021 were approved.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Treasurer Report

A. Update

An assessment deposit was received in the amount of \$74,244. Collections for the year are General Fund 104%, Lot Mowing 115%, and Village I Parks 99%.

Diane reported to the Board that several line items in the budget need minor adjustments and expenses need to be moved to Capital Outlay for year-end depreciation. She asked the Board for a motion to allow her to make these adjustments.

ON MOTION by Brian Acker, seconded by Sue Dean with all in favor to allow Diane to move existing budgeted items in various operating expense categories to balance the FY 2021 budget was approved

B. Resolutions

Diane stated she had several resolutions to present to the Board adopting the final budgets the General Fund, Lot Mowing, and Village I Parks Assessments and Fiscal Year 2022 Utility Rates and Fees and amending the FY 2021 Budget.

ON MOTION by Bill Lawens, seconded by Kay Gorham with all in favor Resolution 2021-05 Adopting the Final Budgets for Fiscal Year 2022 was approved.

ON MOTION by Bill Lawens, seconded by Brian Acker with all in favor Resolution 2021-06 Levying a GF Maintenance Assessment of \$285.42 per unit was approved.

ON MOTION by Brian Acker, seconded by Kay Gorham with all in favor Resolution 2021-07 Levying a Lot Mowing Assessment of \$140 per lot, \$180 per commercial acre was approved.

ON MOTION by Brian Acker, seconded by Sue Dean with all in favor Resolution 2021-08 Levying a Village I Parks Assessment of \$51.55 per unit was approved.

ON MOTION by Brian Acker, seconded by Bill Lawens with all in favor Resolution 2021-09 adopting Utility Rates and Fees for FY 2022 was approved.

ON MOTION by Brian Acker, seconded by Bill Lawens with all in favor Resolution 2021-10 amending the FY 2021 Budget for US Hwy 98 ABC Watermain Extension was approved.

ON MOTION BY Kay Gorham, seconded by Sue Dean with All in favor Resolution 2021-11 amending the FY 2021 Budget For the District 50th Anniversary was approved.

ON MOTION by Brian Acker, seconded by Bill Lawens with All in favor Resolution 2021-12 amending the FY 2021 Budget For the Pump Station Repair was approved.

ON MOTION BY Brian Acker, seconded by Bill Lawens with All in favor Resolution 2021-13 amending the FY 2021 Budget For the Nifty Powerlift Machine was approved.

ON MOTION by Bill Lawens, seconded by Brian Acker with All in favor Resolution 2021-14 amending the FY 2021 Budget For the Utility Billing Software was approved.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Manager

A. Update

No one had any questions about the Manager or Developer updates that were in the Board packets.

B. Motion to approve Fiscal Year 2022 Meetings and Holidays.

Board members were given a copy of the Fiscal Year 2022 Meetings and Holiday schedule. A copy of the Meeting Schedule will be published on the website.

ON MOTION by Brian Acker, seconded by Kay Gorham with all in favor to approve FY'22 Meetings and Holidays as presented.

C. Surplus Land Bids

Two bids were submitted, one by Signature H for \$233,000 and Gary Green for \$264,000. After discussion about possible next steps, it was agreed to follow the process that was discussed at the pre-bid meeting.

ON MOTION by Brian Acker, seconded by Bill Lawens With Kay Gorham opposed to accept the high bid of \$264,000 from Living Well Estate was approved.

D. Covid Vaccination update

After much discussion it was agreed that our current personnel policies relative to sick days would be adhered to. Joe will monitor what the County will do.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Attorney

Nothing to report.

NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Public Comments

Ben Markham asked if there was an update on high-speed internet. Joe described the opportunity we have in securing funds thru the County and the American Rescue program to install the system on our own.

Bill Lawens asked about the Sale Pending sign on the property to the right of our office. The sale is being delayed because a member of the Trust died, and the title process is incomplete.

Tim McKenna congratulated Joe DeCerbo on his 15 years serving as the District Manager and thanked him for all that he has done for the District.

TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Wednesday October 13, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.

ELEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Motion to Adjourn

ON MOTION by Bill Lawens, seconded by Brian Acker
with all in favor the meeting adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

Bill Lawens, Vice Chairman

Kay Gorham, Secretary