

*Subject to Board Approval*

**Minutes**

**Monthly Business Meeting**

Collier Soil and Water Conservation District  
14700 Immokalee Road, Naples, Florida 34120

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order **October 20, 2011** at 8:30 a.m.

Present: Supervisor Dennis Vasey, Supervisor Stan Weiner, Vice Chairman; Supervisor Bruce Reichert, Treasurer; Supervisor Tom Cravens; Supervisor Jim Lang

**I. Pledge of Allegiance**

**II. Introduction of Guests**

**III. Approval of Agenda** – Mr. Vasey motioned, Mr. Cravens 2<sup>nd</sup>, all ayes, Agenda approved

**IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes** –August/September, 2011 – Mr. Cravens motioned, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Weiner, all ayes, Minutes approved for audit.

**V. Finance Reports** – August, 2011 Trial Balance – Mr. Vasey motioned, Mr. Weiner 2<sup>nd</sup>, all ayes, Finance Reports approved for audit.

**VI. Reports**

1. District Conservationist's Report – Mr. Bob Beck, District Conservationist – Mr. Beck reviewed his report with the Board and also discussed arranging for the Board to visit Pringle Lane Farms next month after the regular meeting. Also, it was suggested and approved to use the CSWCD website to advertise WHIP/EQIP deadlines. There are currently twenty one applications for these programs from Collier County farmers and ranchers.
2. District Consultant's Report – Mr. Michael Ramsey – Mr. Ramsey presented his monthly updates.
3. Lower West Coast/Big Cypress Basin MIL – No report available this month.

**VII. Old Business**

1. Update: Benfield Properties Action – Mr. Vasey reviewed the steps that have been taken during the process of the lawsuit.
2. Photo Contest – It was decided that the prize for a winning photo would be publication on the CSWCD website and an award certificate.
3. Property Donation – In September, a gentleman from New York contacted the District about donating five acres of property in North Belle Mead. After evaluation, it was decided that this property would be a good fit for and with the land already owned by the District for preservation. The appropriate papers have been drawn up and sent to the owner to complete, sign and return to the District office.

**VIII. New Business**

1. Evaluation Study of Proposed I-75 Interchange
2. Proposed Visit to Pringle Lane Farms – Mr. Beck will be making arrangements for the Board to visit Pringle Lane Farms immediately following next month's meeting.

**IX. Announcements/Public Comment**

**X. Next Board Meeting** – November 17, 2011 or call of the Chairman

**XI. Adjournment** – Adjournment was called at 9:40 a.m.