

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 **December 15, 2011** at 8:30 a.m.

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

Absent: Supervisor Jim Lang

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Introduction of Guests

III. Approval of Agenda – Mr. Weiner motioned, Mr. Cravens 2nd, all ayes, Agenda approved

IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes –November, 2011 – Mr. Weiner motioned, 2nd by Mr. Cravens, all ayes, Minutes approved for audit.

V. Finance Reports – November, 2011 Trial Balance – Mr. Weiner motioned, Mr. Reichert 2nd, all ayes, Finance Reports approved for audit.

VI. Reports

1. District Conservationist's Report – Mr. Bob Beck, District Conservationist – Mr. Beck discussed NRCS program deadlines approaching and planning various site visits upcoming. He also talked about a new organic applicant and having several withdrawals from both the WHIP (1) and EQIP (2-3). Mr. Beck and Mr. Vasey reviewed attending the January 23, 2012 meeting of the SW Florida RC&D Council. Mr. Beck also mentioned the State Technical Committee Meeting scheduled for January 25, 2012 in Gainesville.
2. District Consultant's Report – Mr. Michael Ramsey – Mr. Ramsey reviewed the TDR program, using Benfield properties as an example of what the program is, what it tries to do, and how it works. Then he touched on the new offer of property from Mr. Mozas (see #1 under New Business below). Also TDR fees were discussed.
3. Lower West Coast/Big Cypress Basin MIL – No report available this month.

VII. Old Business

1. Discussion – Pringle Lane Farms Visit
2. Update - Benfield Properties – Awaiting judge's verdict on the civil action. It is anticipated to come around the middle of next month (January, 2012).
3. Update – Maloney Property TDRs – Per Mr. Maloney's request for TDRs 3 & 4, a letter will be issued to Mr. Maloney explaining the District's willingness to set up the TDR transfer for him along with an invoice to cover the costs of initial evaluation and mapping of the property, Collier transfer fee and application fees.
4. Review – ROMA Discussion

VIII. New Business

1. Mozas Property TDR Request - There is a new request for TDR's from an owner who has 11.4 acres of property in Golden Gate Estates. Further action will be taking place on this matter.
2. Holiday Awards – Budget item was reviewed and, by all ayes, this expenditure is approved.

IX. Announcements/Public Comment

X. Next Board Meeting – January 19, 2012 or call of the Chairman

XI. Adjournment – Adjournment was called at 9:55 a.m.