

***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 **June 20, 2013** at 8:34 a.m.

Present: Supervisor Dennis Vasey; Supervisor Stan Weiner; Supervisor Bruce Reichert, Treasurer; Supervisor Clarence Tears

Absent: Supervisor Jim Lang

**I. Pledge of Allegiance**

**II. Introduction of Guests** – Mr. Mark Stout, Managing Member, Mark K. Stout, CPA, PL

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

**IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes** – May, 2013 – not available

**V. Finance Reports** – May, 2013– Mr. Vasey motioned, Mr. Reichert 2<sup>nd</sup>, all ayes, Finance Reports approved for audit.

**Note:** Mr. Reichert contacted Fifth Third Bank and was able to negotiate lower monthly service charges for the ROMA account. The bank representative called Ms. Bucceri and helped her set up the bank's internet banking steps and will also cancel mailing of paper statements each month to reduce costs.

**VI. Reports**

1. District Conservationist's Report – Mr. Bob Beck, District Conservationist – Mr. Beck was not able to distribute a printed report this month so instead, he discussed the 2008 Farm Bill and explained about the requirements to obligate funding contracts. Currently, Collier County has 11 contracts, Lee County has 4 and Hendry/Glades have "20 some-odd". He pointed out that these figures are well below previous years. Also mentioned was that Seminoles, Inc. has been allotted \$1.2 million for Brazilian Pepper treatment. There are no WIP renewal contracts in Collier County.
2. Environmental Manager's Report – Mr. Michael Ramsey, Environmental Manager – Mr. Ramsey reported one potential new mitigation application is being reviewed. He went on to explain what TDR 3 & 4 entail and why the District doesn't need to rush into the process again unless there is enough money to cover fees, etc. up front.
3. Lower West Coast/Big Cypress Basin MIL – James "Nik" Nikolich, BCB MIL Manager – Mr. Nikolich stated that the Big Cypress Basin MIL (residential) is current with the contract requirements. He also mentioned he will be taking vacation soon and will return to work on July 8.

**VII. Old Business**

1. Update – Pollution Control Reporting Progress

**VIII. New Business**

1. FY 2013-2014 Draft Budget Review – Ms. Bucceri presented the Board with the draft version of the upcoming FY budget. It was unanimously approved and will be finalized and implemented at the September meeting.
2. FY 2011-2012 Draft Audit Review – Mr. Stout reviewed the draft document with the members and it was unanimously approved. He also announced his recommendation for a new firm to take over the District's auditing requirements. He will continue to be available to help prep for audits etc., but since government requirements have changed, Mr. Stout will not perform the actual audits hereafter.

**IX. Announcements/Public Comment**

**X. Next Board Meeting** – July 18, 2013 or call of the Chairman.

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