

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 24, 2013** at 8:30 a.m.

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

Absent: Supervisor Jim Lang; Supervisor Clarence Tears

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Introduction of Guests

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

IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes – September, 2013 – Mr. Weiner motioned, Mr. Reichert 2nd, all ayes, Minutes accepted for audit.

V. Finance Reports - September, 2013 Trial Balance - Mr. Weiner motioned, Mr. Reichert 2nd, all ayes, Finance Reports accepted for audit.

VI. Reports

1. District Conservationist's Report – Mr. Bob Beck, District Conservationist – Mr. Beck answered questions regarding the Federal Government Shutdown procedures. This month the shutdown closed Federal offices from October 1 through the 15th. Also, he suggested the District offer financial support for the Land Judging Contest to be held in Highlands County in March, 2014. Motion was made and approved to provide a \$500 stipend to the project and also to reimburse travel to a member of the CSWCD Board that would like to represent at the contest. One or two of the Supervisors present are considering attending.
2. Environmental Manager's Report – Mr. Michael Ramsey, Environmental Manager – Absent today. He is in attendance at the Big Cypress Basin business meeting. He is also in the process of completing the Fall ROMA Quarterly Report.
3. Lower West Coast/Big Cypress Basin MIL – “Nik” Nikolich, of the CSWCD Urban MIL Lab, will be setting up a vendor booth at the annual Yard and Garden Show this weekend. The show is presented by the University of Florida Extension Service with the Master Gardeners each year at the end of October, inviting local nurseries and vendors to participate. Educational classes and demonstrations are also available during the two-day show.

VII. Old Business

1. ACOE ROMA Mitigation Acceptance Issue Update – Discussion toward resolution is on-going.

VIII. New Business

1. Forest Lakes Update – Mr. Vasey presented information and photos describing the drainage problems he observed in and around the Forest Lakes community. All drainage was clogged and overgrown, thereby not permitting proper drainage during the recent heavy rain storms that have inundated our areas of late.
2. Discussion – Review Gazetteer
3. Establish Federal Shutdown Contingency Policy – It was agreed that the Collier SWCD would use the guidelines provided by the National Conservation District Employees Association (NCDEA) as the foundation of the District's own plan in the event that a similar situation should arise again in the future. The procedure will be on file at the CSWCD office.

IX. Announcements/Public Comment

X. Next Board Meeting – November 21, 2013 or call of the Chairman.

XI. Adjournment – Adjournment was called at 9:19 a.m.