

*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 **August 15, 2013** at 8:35 a.m.

Present: Supervisor Dennis Vasey; Supervisor Jim Lang; Supervisor Clarence Tears

Absent: Supervisor Stan Weiner, Supervisor Bruce Reichert, Treasurer

**I. Pledge of Allegiance**

**II. Introduction of Guests**

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

**IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes** – June, 2013 – Mr. Vasey motioned, Mr. Lang 2<sup>nd</sup>, Minutes accepted

**V. Finance Reports**-June, 2013-Mr. Vasey motioned, Mr. Lang 2<sup>nd</sup>, all ayes, Finance Reports approved for audit. Decision to remove obsolete inventory from inventory list and dispose of (Administrator will be given old desktop computer, possible recycle of the four outdated hand-held GPS units).

**VI. Reports**

1. District Conservationist's Report – Mr. Bob Beck, District Conservationist – Mr. Beck absent today.
2. Environmental Manager's Report – Mr. Michael Ramsey, Environmental Manager – Discussion of U.S. Army Corps of Engineers certification requirement for Mitigation Bank approval. Mr. Ramsey is actively pursuing this.
3. Lower West Coast/Big Cypress Basin MIL – Replacement of 2006 Ford Explorer used by Ag MIL team was discussed (see below).

**VII. Old Business**

1. 7<sup>th</sup> Ave. NW & CR 951 Retention Pond Update – Rain gauges will to install to assist in determining accurate rainfall measurements.
2. ACOE ROMA Mitigation Acceptance Issue – Mr. Vasey motioned that NGGR ROMA applicants whose permit applications were rejected by the ACOE be refunded the monies they paid for mitigation credits. Mr. Lang 2<sup>nd</sup>, all ayes, motion approved. It was also decided this message should be disseminated in response to new requests for mitigation credit purchase, via phone, website, etc. "The Permittee Responsible Mitigation Program of NGGE ROMA is currently being assessed by ACOE. As news on the progress becomes available it will be posted here. We hope for a resolution before year's end. Please check back with us later this year."

**VIII. New Business**

1. 2014 Annual Work Plan – Reviewed by the Board
2. New TDR 3&4 Request – Herrero/DeJohn – Mr. Vasey met with Ms's. Herrero and DeJohn from Johnson Engineering at the end of July to discuss TDR's. It may be a good move for Johnson Engineer to pursue this further.
3. CSWCD Vehicle Replacement Discussion – Mark Siverling, Ag MIL team leader, will work up requirements for a new vehicle and locate a suitable replacement for the 2006 Ford Explorer. Supervisor Tears will advise of contact information on state-offered discounts on new vehicles.
4. Obsolete/Surplus/Depreciation Discussion - Decision to remove obsolete inventory from inventory list and dispose of (Administrator will be given old desktop computer, possible recycle of the four outdated hand-held GPS units).
5. Employee Salary Recommendations – Mr. Vasey motioned for approval of annual employee salary increases based on current contracts with FDACS (LWC Ag MIL partner) and BCB (BCB Urban MIL partner). Mr. Lang 2<sup>nd</sup>, all ayes, motion approved.

**Note:** Ms. Bucceri was asked to contact Mr. Steve Hemping, Consolidated Fire and Administrative Services to try to obtain health insurance for District employees.

**IX. Announcements/Public Comment**

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

**XI. Adjournment** – Adjournment was called at 9:13 a.m.