Draft Minutes

Monthly Regular 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 18, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.

Present: Supervisor Dennis Vasey, Chairman; Supervisor Stan Weiner; Supervisor Bruce Reichert, Treasurer; Supervisor Jim Lang; Supervisor Clarence Tears; and CSWCD Team Leader Mark Siverling

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Introduction of Guests Mr. Jared Jones
- III. Guest Comments None
- IV. Approval of Agenda. Mr. Dennis Vasey added "d. Comcast Internet changes" and "e. Authorization to sign audit documents" under VII. Old Business, and "a. Supervisor Biographies for the Website" under IX. Announcements. Mr. Stan Wiener, motion to approve the amended agenda; Mr. Bruce Reichert, Second.
 - Supervisor Dennis Vasey, Chairman; Supervisor Stan Weiner; Supervisor Bruce Reichert, Supervisor Jim Lang, Supervisor Clarence Tears. Yea.
- V. Regular Meeting Minutes. Mr. Stan Weiner, Motion to approve the May 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes; Mr. Clarence Tears, Second.
 - Supervisor Dennis Vasey, Chairman; Supervisor Stan Weiner; Supervisor Bruce Reichert, Supervisor Jim Lang, Supervisor Clarence Tears. Yea.

VI. Reports:

- 1. Mr. Rasiwala provided a printed financial report.
- 2. NRCS District Conservationist Mr. Bob Beck's comments: An organic grower in Collier County has been approved for funding under the Environmental Quality Incentives Program. It is possible that more funds will be available for Florida projects. Mr. Beck described a local grower who is advocating for Florida Department of Transportation to use Florida cultivars of wildflowers in highway beautification projects to improve year-to-year plant health. Mr. Beck will forward information on the applicant's request.
- 3. Mr. Siverling reported that the Urban and Agricultural Mobile Irrigation Labs have completed their quarterly evaluations and will be sending reports to the funding agencies soon. Note: the new contract with FDACS takes effect July 1.

VII. Old Business:

- 1. The 2014-2015 Bookkeeper will asked for budget adjustment recommendations to reflect changing expenses and presented at the August 2015 Regular Meeting.
- 2. Mr. Mark Siverling presented outdated technology items for disposal. Mr. Dennis Vasey made a motion to dispose of these items at Mr. Siverling's discretion. Mr. Jim Lang, second.
 - Supervisor Dennis Vasey, Chairman; Supervisor Stan Weiner; Supervisor Bruce Reichert, Supervisor Jim Lang, Supervisor Clarence Tears. Yea.
- 3. Mr. Vasey made a motion to exercise the second option of the Environmental Consultant's agreement (environmental evaluations). Mr. Jim Lang, second.
 - Supervisor Dennis Vasey, Chairman; Supervisor Stan Weiner; Supervisor Bruce Reichert, Supervisor Jim Lang, Supervisor Clarence Tears. Yea.
- 4. Mr. Mark Siverling reported that the Internet service agreement with Comcast has been renegotiated to save the District \$20 per month, plus \$13 per month modem rental fee.
- 5. Mr. Dennis Vasey made a motion to approve signature on the annual audit documents. Mr. Clarence Tears, second.

Supervisor Dennis Vasey, Chairman; Supervisor Stan Weiner; Supervisor Bruce Reichert, Supervisor Jim Lang, Supervisor Clarence Tears. Yea.

VIII. New Business:

- 1. The supervisors all received a letter from the elections office about their requirements.
- 2. Mr. Dennis Vasey distributed Benfield Management Area VPU handout and agreement structure.
- 3. Mr. Jim Lang made a motion to cancel the July Board of Supervisors meeting, Mr. Clarence Tears, second.
 - Supervisor Dennis Vasey, Chairman; Supervisor Stan Weiner; Supervisor Bruce Reichert, Supervisor Jim Lang, Supervisor Clarence Tears. Yea.
- 4. Mr. Dennis Vasey distributed information about Collier County stormwater ponds, and commented that CSWCD has taken GPS readings for three of the sites.

IX. Announcements/Public Comment:

- 1. Biographies for the Supervisors need to be added to the CSWCD website in July 2015.
- 2. Mr. Jared Jones asked for clarification on agenda item VII. 3. He asked whether or not the Environmental Consultant, Mr. Ramsey, stood to benefit financially from his environmental evaluations.
 - Mr. Vasey said that Mr. Ramsey had the right of first refusal on all evaluations requiring, evaluation, mitigation, and treatment.
 - Fees and acceptance of Mr. Ramsey's offer would be matters for the Board of Supervisors consideration at a Regular Meeting.
- X. Next Regular Meeting: University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences Collier County Extension Building, 14700 Immokalee Road, Naples, FL 34120, August 20, 2015.
- XI. Mr. Dennis Vasey, motion to adjourn; Mr. Jim Lang, second.

Supervisor Dennis Vasey, Chairman; Supervisor Stan Weiner; Supervisor Bruce Reichert, Supervisor Jim Lang, Supervisor Clarence Tears. Yea.

Respectfully submitted, James Lang, Secretary