

**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 August 13, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.

Present: Supervisor Dennis Vasey, Chairman; Supervisor Stan Weiner; Supervisor Jim Lang; Supervisor Clarence Tears; NRCS Conservationist Bob Beck; Urban MIL technician James Nikolich; and Agricultural MIL technician Mark Siverling

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Introduction of Guests – None
- III. Administrative Communications and General Comments - None
- IV. Approval of Agenda. – Mr. Clarence Tears, motion to approve the agenda; Mr. Stan Weiner, Second.  
  
Supervisor Dennis Vasey, Chairman; Supervisor Stan Weiner; Supervisor Jim Lang; Supervisor Clarence Tears. Yea.
- V. Regular Meeting Minutes. Mr. Dennis Vasey, Motion to approve the June 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes; Mr. Stan Weiner, Second.  
  
Supervisor Dennis Vasey, Chairman; Supervisor Stan Weiner; Supervisor Jim Lang; Supervisor Clarence Tears. Yea.
- VI. Reports:
  1. Mr. Rasiwala provided a printed financial report.  
  
Mr. Jim Lang, Motion to send the financial report to audit; Mr. Clarence Tears, Second.  
  
Supervisor Dennis Vasey, Chairman; Supervisor Stan Weiner; Supervisor Jim Lang; Supervisor Clarence Tears. Yea.
  2. NRCS District Conservationist Mr. Bob Beck's comments: Mr. Beck attended the Association of Florida Conservation District meeting for 2015. He said that there is not much funding in the latest Farm Bill for projects in Florida, and that there is only one funded recipient in Collier County this budget year. Mr. Beck added that while many states are reducing engineering requirements to help growers access Farm Bill funds, Florida is increasing requirements, and thus receiving less aid.
  3. Mr. Siverling reported that the Agricultural MIL has received its quarterly funds from FDACS, and that the Urban MIL has submitted its quarterly report and is awaiting funds from Big Cypress Basin. He explained that next week is the year's biggest public outreach event for the MIL program, the Citrus Expo in North Fort Myers, and that CSWCD personnel will be there manning a booth.
- VII. Old Business:
  1. 2015-2016 Budget – Chairman Dennis Vasey explained the adjustments that will be made to ensure a balanced budget for 2015-2016 budget year. The draft and final budgets will be publicized on the CSWCD website starting 2016/17—Item 2, below.  
  
Mr. Jim Lang, Motion to accept the changes to the budget; Mr. Dennis Vasey, Second.  
  
Supervisor Dennis Vasey, Chairman; Supervisor Stan Weiner; Supervisor Jim Lang; Supervisor Clarence Tears. Yea.
  2. Website Content – The new website content requirements for special districts go into effect on October 1. The CSWCD website needs budget information and Supervisor biographies to be in compliance.

3. Financial Audit – Mr. Dennis Vasey, Motion to approve Clifton Larson Allen audit payment per invoice. Mr. Jim Lang, Second.

Supervisor Dennis Vasey, Chairman; Supervisor Stan Weiner; Supervisor Jim Lang; Yea.

VIII. New Business:

1. Mr. James Nikolich requested that the CSWCD Supervisors establish a means of feedback for MIL customers, perhaps through the CSWCD website.

Mr. Siverling will create a comments area for monitoring.

IX. Announcements/Public Comment: None

- X. Next Regular Meeting: University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences Collier County Extension Building, 14700 Immokalee Road, Naples, FL 34120, September 17, 2015.

XI. Mr. Dennis Vasey, motion to adjourn; Mr. Jim Lang, second.

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

Respectfully submitted,  
James Lang, Secretary