

**MINUTES OF MEETING
SPRING LAKE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

The Regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Spring Lake Improvement District was held Wednesday, May 11, 2016, at the District Office, 115 Spring Lake Boulevard, Sebring, Florida.

Present were:

Bill Lawens	Chairman
Gary Behrendt	Vice Chairman
Tim McKenna	Secretary
Brian Acker	Asst. Secretary
Leon Van	Asst. Secretary

Also present were:

William Nielander	District Attorney
Joe DeCerbo	District Manager
Clay Shrum	Asst. District Manager
Gene Schriener	District Engineer
Corbett Alday	Grant Management
Julie Fowler	Accounting Support
Jack Alexander	Auditor

Absent: Diane Angell, Treasurer

Residents	“See Sign In Sheet”
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FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Roll Call and Pledge

Chairman Lawens called the meeting to order and led the Pledge.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Upcoming Meetings/Events/Correspondence

- A. May 30th – Memorial Day (Office Closed)
- B. June 6th – 10th, FASD Conference (Sarasota)
- C. June 15th – S.L.I.D Board Meeting (Note Date Change)

The District received a letter from the State Attorney General’s Office to renew our contract with their office for any needed support.

ON MOTION by Brian Acker, seconded by Leon Van with all in favor to renew contract with the State Attorney General's Office was approved.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approval of Minutes

The Board received copies of the April 13, 2016 minutes for review. There being no further questions

ON MOTION by Leon Van, seconded by Gary Behrendt with all in favor the minutes from April 13, 2016 Board Meeting were approved.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approval of Financials

The Board received copies of the April 2016 Financials for review. There being no further questions.

ON MOTION by Brian Acker, seconded by Tim McKenna with all in favor the financials from April 2016 were approved.

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Treasurer Report

Joe reported on behalf of Diane an Assessment deposit was received in the amount of \$45,008. Collections for the year are: General Fund 76%, Lot Mowing 73%, and Village I Parks 89%.

House sales have increased and 20 homes sold in April.

Joe updated the Board on the upcoming Budget process. There will be a presentation at the June 15th meeting by Robin Riley, our Health Insurance Agent of Record.

A resolution was presented to the Board to amend the current FY 2016 Budget to purchase a new Mosquito Sprayer.

ON MOTION by Brian Acker, seconded by Tim McKenna with all in favor Resolution 2016-03 to amend the FY 2016 budget to purchase a new Mosquito Sprayer was approved.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

FY 2015 Audit

Jack Alexander from Stroemer & Company, LLC presented the Board with the Audited Financial Statements for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015. He reported that the audit was very positive with no negatives. He reviewed various financial statements, pointing out that the increases were due to the government grants. He discussed the tax certificates that have not sold and suggested that we keep the amount on the books, but factor the bad debt into the budget. Since the STA will be completed in early summer he will begin the audit of the 319 in August to stay ahead of the process.

An engagement letter was presented to the Board for auditing services to be provided by Stroemer & Company, LLC for the remaining four years.

ON MOTION by Brian Acker, seconded by Leon Van with all in favor to accept the engagement letter from Stroemer & Company, LLC for the remaining four years was approved.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Attorney

A. WWTP Land Acquisition

Bill Nielander reviewed the contract for the WWTP land acquisition and the Board agreed to purchase the land for \$56K pending an environmental study with a 45 day due diligence period.

ON MOTION by Brian Acker, seconded by Gary Behrendt with all in favor for the monies to purchase the land be secured by a loan from the water department to the waste water department.

B. Resolution 2016-02 Adoption and Vacating of Easements

Discussion was held on bridge liability. Gary Behrendt will request the golf course list S.L.I.D. as an additional insured.

ON MOTION by Leon Van, seconded by Tim McKenna with all in favor Resolution 2016-02 adopting and vacating easements was approved.

C. Boating and Fishing Resolution 2016-4

This resolution was tabled after Board discussion on what ponds should be included, and the issue of trespass was presented by Brian Acker. Bill will revise the Resolution for the June meeting, and Brian will send Bill the suggested bullet points for the trespass.

D. Village VIII Strap Numbers

Both Brian Acker and Bill contacted the County regarding the issue of strap numbers. Discussion took place regarding the Park in Village VIII and the various Homeowner Associations that have common areas listed on their tax bills. The issue is whether the common areas should have a strap number like the Village VIII Park. The Board decided not to do anything as a District body, but Brian will contact the County on his own behalf.

E. Charter Revision Costs

The Board was informed that projected legal costs for a charter revision is close to \$25,000. After discussion, it was decided that Bill will request an Attorney General's opinion and prepare a draft for the Board to review at the next meeting.

F. Lot 38

There has been no movement on Lot 38.

G. County Land Conveyance

The County has conveyed lands to the District and we are waiting for the deed transfers.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Project Updates

Gene Schriener and Corbett Alday updated the Board on all the projects and copies of their reports are attached to the minutes.

NINETH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Supervisor Requests

Joe updated the Board on two pending requests. The drainage work on Greenway is still not complete, and it has been just over two years that we began working with the County on the problem. The County projects it will cost \$47,000. Brian Acker said the implementation of the correction could be completed in a more expeditious and cost effective manner.

Joe has gathered past data from previous community center initiatives and will be getting together with Tim. The plan for the next fiscal year is to include minimal funds in planning and development to put together some additional data and plans.

Brian Acker stated that all projects underway and those under consideration are estimated to cost a total of \$9.4 million. A Community Center and Eco Park should be a low priority.

TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Public Comments

There being none.

ELEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 15, 2016 @ 10:00 a.m. (First Draft FY'17 Budget)

TWELFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Motion to Adjourn

ON MOTION by Gary Behrendt , seconded by Tim McKenna with all in favor the meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Bill Nielander noted that there was still a question about the land acquisition for the WWTP and asked that the Board reconvene. The meeting was opened at 12:25 and discussion took place on the purchase of the land.

ON MOTION by Brian Acker, seconded by Gary Behrendt with all in favor to rescind the previous land purchase motion.

ON MOTION by Brian Acker, seconded by Gary Behrendt with all in favor to accept the contract with a closing as soon as possible and to use a loan from the water department to the wastewater department to make the purchase was approved.

Joe will contact Dawn Dell and have her send a new contract to Bill for signature.

ON MOTION by Tim McKenna, seconded by Gary Behrendt with all in favor the meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Bill Lawens, Chairman

Gary Behrendt, Vice Chairman