

**MINUTES OF MEETING
SPRING LAKE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

The Regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Spring Lake Improvement District was held Wednesday, July 9, 2025, at the District Office, 115 Spring Lake Boulevard, Sebring, Florida.

Present were:

Butch Copeland
Tim Roland
Phil Gentry
Troy Marsh

Vice Chair
Secretary
Asst. Secretary
Asst. Secretary

Absent: Kay Gorham, Board Chair

Also present were:

Bill Nielander
Joe DeCerbo
Israel Serrano
Diane Angell

District Attorney
District Manager
Deputy Manager
District Administrator

Residents & Guests

“See Sign in Sheet”

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order

Butch Copeland called the meeting to order and led the pledge.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Upcoming Meetings/Events/Correspondence

- A. July 25th, Managers Meeting @ County
- B. July 28th – 31st, FRWA Conference (Israel & Diane)

Rosie and Jim Foote sent a thank you to the staff for getting the water problem fixed on Duane Palmer.

Barbara Morgan just wanted to say all mowing out by Bobcat has been completed, and an excellent job done!

Arlene Klingbiel gave a shout out to SLID for trimming the tree on Duane Palmer. She does not have to duck when riding her bike under it, thank you so much.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approval of Minutes

The Board received copies of June 11, 2025, Minutes for review. There being no further questions.

ON MOTION by Tim Roland, seconded by Troy Marsh with all in favor the minutes from June 11, 2025, Board meeting was approved.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approval of Minutes

The Board received copies of the June 2025 Financials for review. There being no further questions.

ON MOTION by Troy Marsh, seconded by Phil Gentry with all in favor the June 2025 Financials were approved.

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Treasurer

A. Update

The District received an assessment deposit of \$234,673 collections for the year include payments for lots that were held by County Certificates. General Fund 105%, Lot Mowing 98%, and Village I 97%.

B. Resolution 2025-08 FY 2025 Budget Amendment

Several adjustments were made to the FY 2025 Budget.

ON MOTION by Tim Roland, seconded by Phil Gentry with all in favor Resolution 2025-08 FY 2025 Budget amendment was approved.

C. 2nd Draft FY'26 Budget

Discussion took place on the draft and several questions were addressed. Staff recommendation was for an increase in the assessment of \$10.95 which comes to 3 cents per day. This would enable the District to maintain all its current reserves and any surplus funds for special projects that may arise in FY '26. The Board agreed.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Manager

A. Updates

There were no questions about any of the updates in the Board packets. Joe mentioned that we have received \$200,650 from the Resort for the sewer lines in the back of Duane Palmer Blvd. Staff is working with the Resort on a potential lot mowing and motrim plan that will be paid by the Resort.

B. GPS Tracking Resolution 2025-07

The Board had previously agreed on a GPS program, and this resolution was needed as it revised the personnel policies.

ON MOTION by Troy Marsh, seconded by Tim Roland with all in favor Resolution 2025-07 GPS Tracking was approved.

C. Emergency Planning Process

All staff have gone thru several training sessions on emergency procedures, and a mock event will take place in the next few weeks.

D. Ethics Training

The Board has scheduled the training for Wednesday, August 20, 9:00, in the Board room. Joe will do a legal notice.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Attorney

We still have not heard back from the Judge regarding the Airport.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Supervisor Requests

Phil Gentry presented a Tim McKenna memorial sign to be placed near the bounce houses at the Fall Festival to bring more acknowledgment of the McKenna Memorial fund and asked if funds from the Memorial Fund could be used to pay for the bounce houses in Tim’s honor. Everyone agreed it was a wonderful idea.

ON MOTION by Tim Roland, seconded by Phil Gentry with all in favor to make a Tim McKenna memorial banner and use funds to pay for the bounce houses was approved.

Tim Roland asked if we could look at putting a sign at the ECO Park to not feed the alligators, and there is no swimming allowed.

Butch Copeland asked Joe if he had received a thank you from any of the staff members for the additional day off given for the Fourth of July Holiday.

Butch asked if the new sewer system was still scheduled to go online on Thursday. Joe said no, they had a slight glitch, and it would be Friday of next week. DEP inspection is scheduled for July 23rd.

NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Public Comments

Bob Rider asked for an update on the plantings along the medians and right of ways on Duane Plamer. Israel said he is working with someone on a new design and work should begin starting with the main entrances beginning in the Fall.

TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Wednesday August 13, 2025 @ 10:00 a.m.

- Public Hearing FY '26 Budget, Utility Rates & Fees

ELEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Motion to Adjourn

ON MOTION by Tim Marsh, seconded by Tim Roland with all in favor the meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Butch Copeland, Board Vice Chair

Tim Roland, Secretary