

**MINUTES OF MEETING
SPRING LAKE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

The Regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Spring Lake Improvement District was held Wednesday, December 11, 2024, at the District Office, 115 Spring Lake Boulevard, Sebring, Florida.

Present were:

Kay Gorham	Board Chair
Butch Copeland	Vice Chair
Tim Roland	Secretary
Ken Kirk	Asst. Secretary
Phil Gentry	Asst. Secretary

Also present were:

Bill Nielander	District Attorney
Joe DeCerbo	District Manager
Israel Serrano	Deputy Manager
Diane Angell	District Administrator

Residents & Guests	"See Sign in Sheet"
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FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order

Kay Gorham called the meeting to order and led the pledge.

FDEP Director Elizabeth Sweigart and Assistant Director David Fleiss were introduced and then Israel took them on a tour.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Upcoming Meetings/Events

- A. December 23rd – 25th, Christmas Holiday, Office closed.
- B. January 1st, New Year's, Office closed.
- C. January 8th, Appreciation Lunch, noon, Shelter

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

IT Consultant Presentation

Bill Daily with Mid Florida IT informed the Board about HB 7055 and the requirements for small government technical security and directed the Board to contact him with any questions or concerns they may have. Staff training is conducted on a yearly basis, and Bill will be meeting with staff in the near future.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approval of Minutes

The Board received copies of the November 13, 2024, Minutes for review. There being no further questions.

ON MOTION by Butch Copeland, seconded by Phil Gentry with all in favor the minutes from November 13, 2024, Board meeting were approved.

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approval of Financials

The Board received copies of the November 2024 Financials for review. There being no further questions.

ON MOTION by Troy Marsh, seconded by Butch Copeland with all in favor the November 2024 Financials were approved.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Treasurer

The District received deposits of \$217,395 and \$390,605 in November. Collections for the year are General Fund 42%, Lot Mowing 27%, and Village I 55%.

The District's \$750k line of credit at First Southern Bank is up for renewal.

ON MOTION by Butch Copeland, seconded by Phil Gentry with all in favor to renew the \$750k line of credit with First Southern Bank and assign Kay Gorham, Board Chair and Tim Roland as Board Secretary to sign documents on behalf of the District was approved.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Manager

A. Updates

There were no questions to the updates in the Board Packets.

B. Resolution 2025-03

Discussed at the November meeting, we are joining all the other County jurisdictions.

ON MOTION by Butch Copeland, seconded by Tim Roland with all in favor Resolution 2025-03 for an interlocal service a boundary agreement with all local governments was approved.

C. Trespass/Fishing Resolution

Board discussed several changes, and a final Resolution will be presented in January.

D. Holiday staff allocation

Discussion was held on past holiday allocations for District Staff. Joe DeCerbo reported that personnel reserves were available.

ON MOTION by Butch Copeland, seconded by Troy Marsh with all in favor to provide a \$500 holiday bonus for staff was approved.

The checks will be handed out to field staff at the December 18th holiday luncheon.

E. Water Control Plan (Gene)

Everything is on schedule and the Board had no questions.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Operational Update

There were no questions regarding the operational update from Israel.

NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Attorney

A. November 22nd, Court Hearing

Bill reviewed the hearing and hoped a decision would come in early January.

B. FRDAP Title Work

Once the surveys are completed all the title work will be done.

TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Supervisor Requests

Butch said to let Randy know that the mowing on Highway 98 looks much better.

Butch asked about the ongoing problem with water on Pebble Lane, and Joe updated the Board.

Kay said that she and Israel met with Joe December 5th, and she will be getting together with Bill Nielander regarding Joe’s contract. Clay was on vacation the last few weeks and she and Israel will be scheduling a meeting with him.

Kay said regarding personnel she would also like to gather more data on seasonal work and outsourcing options for the future, which can save the District money.

ELEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Public Comments

There being none.

TWELFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Wednesday January 8, 2025 @ 10:00 a.m.

THIRTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Motion to Adjourn

ON MOTION by Butch Copeland, seconded by Tim Roland with all in favor the meeting adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

Kay Gorham, Board Chair

Tim Roland, Secretary