MINUTES OF MEETING
SPRING LAKE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

The Regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Spring Lake Improvement District was held Wednesday, March 12, 2025, at the District Office, 115 Spring Lake Boulevard, Sebring, Florida.

Present were:

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

Absent: Troy Marsh, Asst. Secretary

Also present were:

Bill Nielander	District Attorney
Joe DeCerbo	District Manager
Israel Serrano	Deputy Manager
Diane Angell	District Administrator
Foster Peffer	District Mechanic
Residents & Guests	"See Sign in Sheet"

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS **Call to Order**

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

Kay informed the Board that we had received notice that Troy Marsh was in the hospital, and we will keep him in our thoughts.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS **Upcoming Meetings/Events/Correspondence**

A. March 15th – 12 Hours of Sebring Race
B. March 17th – McKenna St. Patrick's Day Lunch, Gator Shack, noon
C. March 22nd – 12 Hours of Pickleball
D. March 24th – 26th, FASD, Tallahassee (Israel)
E. March 28th – Staff Appreciation Luncheon, noon

Kay read several email comments the District received congratulating the District for winning the Summary Judgement against the Sebring Airport Authority.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS **Approval of Minutes**

The Board received copies of February 12, 2025, Minutes for review. There being no further questions.

> ON MOTION by Butch Copeland, seconded by Phil Gentry with all in favor the minutes from February 12, 2025, Board meeting was approved.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS **Approval of Minutes**

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

> ON MOTION by Tim Roland, seconded by Butch Copeland with all in favor the February 2025 Financials were approved.

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS **Treasurer**

The District received a deposit of $71,144. Collections for the year are General Fund 72%, Lot Mowing 60%, and Village I 81%.

The FY 2024 audited financial statements will be presented at the April meeting.

Resolution 2025-05 FY 2025 Budget amendment was presented to the Board.

> ON MOTION by Butch Copeland, seconded by Tim Roland with all in favor Resolution 2025-05 FY 2025 Budget amendment was approved.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS **Manager**

Joe informed the Board we have received the commencement letters for Arbuckle Creek Park and the Bark Park. A zoom meeting will be held on March 20 to begin plans for starting the projects.

There were no questions on the updates included in the Board packets.

Joe explained the background on the Water Control Plan, the purpose of the new 10-year plan, and passed out notebooks to the Supervisors. They will review the document for approval at the April meeting. Our new Engineer will be here to discuss the next steps, and the County

Administrator and County Engineer will attend to accept their copy, which is a requirement of Florida Statute 298.

Joe explained his contract had to be revised as a new Florida Statute only allows 20 weeks of terminated severance and the contract has 6 months.

> ON MOTION by Butch Copeland, seconded by Tim Roland with all in favor to revise item 3a in Joe DeCerbo's contract from 6 months to 20 weeks.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS **Operational Update**

A. Equipment and Vehicles Forecast

Israel updated the Board on various ongoing projects in the District.

District Mechanic Foster Peffer reviewed the District equipment needs and presented several options for the Board to consider. After discussion, staff were directed to gather information on the various equipment discussed. The information will be presented to the Board at the May Board meeting.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS **Attorney**

Bill updated the Board on the current status, and we are waiting for the Airport's next step; it is in their court. Once we know their intention, there will be an executive session to discuss our next steps.

NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS **Supervisor Requests**

Tim Roland asked for an update on the solar lights that were being evaluated. Israel said they are working on a sketch to install these lights in the Blue Heron area. He asked for suggestions for any other areas that might benefit from these lights. The Street Light budget will be reviewed during the budget process.

Butch Copeland said they would be carrying on the tradition started by Tim McKenna and would be having a Saint Patrick's Day luncheon at the Gator Shack at noon on the 17th.

Kay asked Israel how many trees they were planning for the medians. Israel said he originally estimated 200. The District will be looking at assorted options on trees and landscaping before a final decision is made.

TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS **Public Comments**

There being none.

ELEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be on Wednesday April 9, 2025 @ 10:00 a.m.

- Personnel

TWELFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS **Motion to Adjourn**

ON MOTION by Tim Roland, seconded by Butch Copeland with all in favor the meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

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Kay Gorham, Board Chair Tim Roland, Secretary