
MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 9, 2014

A public meeting of the Fellsmere Water Control District was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on January 9, 2014 held at the office of the District 109 N. Willow Street, Fellsmere, Florida. Mike Monroe called the meeting to order.

Supervisor's present was Mike Monroe, Richard Carnell and Jeff Bolling. Others present were, Michael O'Haire, George Simons, Marvin Carter, Rodney Tillman, and Joyce Hertel.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion duly made by Richard and seconded by Jeff the Minutes of November 14, 2013 were approved as mailed.

Attorney's Report:

FDOT:

Michael updated the Board on the FDOT (I-95) lawsuit and that the hearing on December 9, 2013 in Titusville that lasted two and a half hours and at the end of the hearing the Judge ordered FDOT 30 days to provide George plans to correct the problems for FWCD approval. Michael added that if he did not hear anything by today he would call and ask the Judge for a contempt of court against FDOT and ask for a fine of \$1,000 per day.

George stated the rip rap would be easier to correct now since they are there with the machines. If not in the future the cost could escalate because the District would have to go out to bid and mobilize a new contractor to do the job.

Engineer's Report:

Master Drainage Plan Model:

George stated that the Master Drainage Plan model that he has been working on with the City of Fellsmere is coming to an end. Carter associates will turn over the plans a week from Friday. The model will be revised at new elevations for landowners. This information was achieved by using different information than the old model because of the use of LIDAR which would make it better for flood insurance reasons.

Florida Organic Aquaculture site (FOA):

Has changed engineers and is having problems with the 2" limitation and cut and fill balance issues. George said that there is a ditch FOA has dug to the district sub-lateral 23 that is short circuiting the system so that the stormwater is not held on site but discharges directly to the ditch. George advised that the District needs to plug this ditch to prevent this problem.

George talked about the permit for the entrance road into the FOA. Richard asked did he see the Total Master Plan for the project. George replied that the project is being done in phases and that they are in phase one. The RAI needs to be able to stand alone in case the other phases of the project are never done.

Richard stated that the Lease for Florida Organic Aquaculture Site has been extended to 2050. Richard added that a grant for \$700,000 was given by FEMA for the road project.

Superintendent/Treasurer Report:

Rodney presented a written Treasurer's Report.

Rodney also added that at this time nothing has been done in regards to Cliff because the family is not ready at this time and that Cliff has many plaques and awards so a plaque would have to be worded taking in his extra ordinary and selfless valuable time during his many years with the District.

Mike said that he would like to honor her at a meeting and invite Mrs. Tyson to a lunch honoring Clifford's valuable service to the District.

At the next meeting a tentative budget will be presented so that it can be ratified at the May Landowners Meeting.

Rodney stated that at this time he would yield to Mr. Carnell to do the legislative update and that there was a calendar of events in the packet. Richard explained that he had been working with the local delegation and Terry Lewis and Chris Lyons of Lewis Longman and Walker (LLW) and he stated that he presented the District legislation to the local delegation himself avoid having LLW attend the meeting.

Last year the Governor wanted the 34,000 acres of FWCD to be controlled by CDD's and Richard explained the Difference between one CID and Multiple CDD's doing the same job. To correct last years' VETO by Governor Scott, Richard will email Kurt Sidemeyster, South Florida Assistant to the Governor, the information he has researched.

On January 31, 2014, there will be a dinner/fundraiser for Governor Scott at Bobby Sextons home. Richard is trying to get 10 or 15 minutes of the Governor's time to discuss the VETO and misunderstanding by Governor Scott.

Supervisor's Comments:

Jeff Bolling asked about the signature card for the Bank and what was needed. Joyce explained a Driver license, property tax bill, social security card, (three forms of identification).

Public Comments: No public comments

Meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m. by Mike Monroe.

The general meetings for 2014 will be every other month on the second Thursday at January 9, March 13, May 8, Landowners Meeting, July 10, September 11, November 13, 2014 @ 10:00 A.M. at the District's Office.

Mike Monroe President
Board of Supervisors

Joyce Hertel
Secretary