

## MEETING MINUTES MARCH 14, 2013

**Opening:** A public meeting of the Fellsmere Water Control District was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on ~~14~~ MARCH 2013 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, and Richard Carnell. Others present were, Michael O'Haire, George Simons, Marvin Carter, Rodney Tillman, and Joyce Hertel.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

A motion duly made by Richard Carnell and seconded by Mike Monroe the Minutes of January 10, 2013 were approved as mailed.

### **Attorney's Report:**

Michael reviewed the I-95 bridge lawsuit. He stated that there might be a problem with the natural gas pipeline east of I-95 where the District service road needs to go and it will have to be surveyed for the location for the pipeline in regards to the new road. He also advised that the case had been moved to Brevard County Circuit Court system.

He also talked about the deed sent from the City of Fellsmere regarding the Ditches, roads and alleys and because of the annexation by the City maybe the District should take into consideration granting the COF the rights of road maintenance for all the roads in the new annexation reserving rights of easement for the ditches water control structures, pump stations, etc;

### **Engineer's Report:**

George talked about LIDAR as it pertains to the stormwater master plan. He explained that LIDAR is topo that is gotten from the air using photographs. He explained that there is a cost share program the City of Fellsmere is offering with the District share being \$20,000.

George was asked questions by the Board regarding the LIDAR and the 240 sub-basins that will be involved in the model of the 14,000 acre north east master stormwater plan. This proposal was discussed at length and after the treasurer advised the Board that there was sufficient funds in the appropriation fund the Board voted unanimously to become a partner with the City in this project.

The new west levee of the District was discussed. Right now it cannot be certified until it's built according to Bill Tredick of SJRWMD, higher authorities in SJRWMD would have to become involved. George explained from a FEMA point of view once the levee is certified the

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water west of the levee would stay west of the levee and the water inside the levee would be dependent on the drainage and pumping abilities of the District for new homeowners. He gave an example that if the water on the outside of the levee is at 25' and the water on the inside was 19' it would require a finished floor elevation that would have to be 25' including the roads.

**Superintendent/Treasurer Report:**

Rodney discussed House Bill 538. Richard asked what is the Association of Special District's doing to reply to this legislation. Rodney stated that Terry Lewis had sent out a draft response letter to be used to respond to the local delegations. This legislation was discussed regarding the negative impact it would have on the District.

Rodney explained the Budget for 2013-2014 which is very similar to the 2012-2013 budget and explained that the invested funds will be running out in about six years and that the Board needs to consider raising the Non ad valorem assessment by \$2.00 for the next six years.

Rodney explained that Mr. Tyson has reached the point where he is no longer physically able to attend the meetings and requests to be replaced but has not officially resigned. The Board hopes that Mr. Tyson will feel better in the future and want to remain on the Board.

**Supervisor's Comments:** no further comments

**Public Comments:** No public comments.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m. by Mike Monroe.

The next general meeting will be the Landowners Meeting May 9, 2013 @ 10:00 A.M. at the District's Office.

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Mike Monroe President  
Board of Supervisors

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Joyce Hertel  
Secretary