

## *MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 8, 2016*

### **Opening:**

A public meeting of the Fellsmere Water Control District was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on September 8, 2016 held at the office of the District 109 N. Willow Street, Fellsmere, Florida. Richard Carnell called the meeting to order.

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

### **Approval of Minutes:**

A motion duly made by Mike and seconded by Jeff the Minutes of July 14, 2016 were approved as e-mailed.

**SJRWMD:** Mr. Hector Herrera was to report on the spoil on C-54 and P.S. 6, but was unable to attend the meeting because he was sick. Rodney reported that SJRWMD has approved the removal of spoil from the C-54 site subject to having to deal with the Gopher Tortuous. Rodney advised that he would research this and get back to the Board at the November 10, 2016 meeting.

Richard stated that SJRWMD is working with Blue Goose to move the PS-6 100' north of its present location in the S. Canal.

Carter Associates did modeling four years ago regarding levee heights and water flow through the system and Richard wants the modeling sent to him.

Rodney asked who owns the pump station. Rodney said he feels that FJV owns the pump stations as the pump station has been handed down through the years from the Sugar Mill in the 1930's through the various owners until the current owner FJV. This was discussed and it was determined that the pump station should be permitted and FWCD should permit it to the owner after relocation.

FWCD since it has no ownership or control of the structure feels that it does not have any financial responsibility in the relocation of the pump station. Richard said that he also feels that FJV also is not responsible for the relocation cost.

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

#### **Intergovernmental Agreement:**

Michael O'Haire reported on the Inter-governmental Agreement with Indian River County regarding road maintenance. Mike Monroe asked has the County started the process. Rodney said not at this date, only grading what they did before.

Richard talked about the support from the County in the past and the reasons for including this in the agreement. Michael explained that he is still working with the County Attorney Dillon Ringold on the changes. The changes were discussed at length. The Board instructed Michael to keep working with the County regarding this matter.

**Extending the life of the District and the Boundaries** were discussed and Marvin advised that the legal description needs to be updated for the new western boundary. Jeff Bolling asked Rodney if there was funding available to do this. Rodney explained that there was funding to extend the life of the District and the new boundary but that there needs to be some assurance that the Governor would not Veto this legislation.

Richard felt that a meeting may need to be called in October since the local legislative delegation meeting will be approaching soon. Richard stated that he talked to Terry Lewis, Sandy Cristy, Chris Lyon, and Mr. Negron regarding the legislation.

#### **North Regional Lake:**

Michael discussed the City of Fellsmere North Lake project and that to this point it has not been approved by the Board. This is due to changes to the amendments that have not been returned by the City. George described the location of the project and stated that all the documents need to be recorded. George reported that the original grant has been pulled but a new grant is in the works.

George also reported that the Fountains of Fellsmere will not be participating in this phase of the north lake project and that it should not be an issue if their part is not done.

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

#### **South Regional Lake:**

George reported on the South Regional Lake located on SL 18 west of Willow Street is getting ready for permits. He explained how the system works to clean water and also how it would handle a storm event by using weirs. COF got grants for this project.

City of Fellsmere complex project grant was explained by George and it will be a lake south of the public works building with a band shell on the east side of the lake.

#### **CDBG Phase 6:**

George advised on the upcoming CDBG; Phase 6 grant cycle regarding paving certain roads in the northern part of the City one being Wyoming Street; Willow Street west to Broadway and also improvements to drainage system.

#### **Parabel:**

George explained that there is a conflict with the permit, site plan and the location of the Gas Line where it was constructed SL 23. Hopefully this can be worked out. Richard asked if the power-line bringing power in to the Parabel project from the east had been permitted by Parabel or FPL. Rodney was advised to contact FPL regarding this matter.

#### **NuTerra:**

Mike Monroe asked had the underground crossing of Lateral U been permitted since FPL has already constructed the line. Rodney was advised to contact FPL regarding this.

#### **Water Farm:**

George discussed the water farm and the back pumping of water in the Main Canal for this project. Rodney expressed concerns about any type of control structure being placed in Main Canal that could not react immediately to a rainfall event of 3 to 4 inches of rain water in a very short time. Rodney feels that this will cause more severe flooding in the City of Fellsmere and in the basin from Lateral U east. This project appears to be one year in the future and the water would be pumped into the water farm to be located in the northeast area of the FJV property that covers about 1500 acres. FJV and SJRWMD are in continuing negotiations regarding this project.

Marvin talked about the changes to the Water Control Plan and that he feels a trip to the site is necessary to complete the report. A tour of the site was scheduled for Wednesday September 14, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at the Sun Ag office.

**Certification of Levee:**

George discussed Certification of the new west boundary levee east of Fellsmere Water Management Area and George was instructed to get with SJRWMD regarding this problem.

**Superintendent/Treasurer Report:** Rodney discussed the Treasurer Report presented in the packet and also discussed the investment fund amount. He explained that options for solving the assessment problem are in the works. At present it would not be wise to fund the conversion of the District only to extend the life of the District and the District boundaries. Rodney was advised by the Board to contact Lewis, Longman and Walker regarding a set cost for extending the Life and Boundaries change.

**Supervisor's Comments:** No Supervisor comments

**Public Comments:** No public comments

Meeting was adjourned at 11:12 a.m. by Richard Carnell.

The next general meeting will be at November 10, 2016 @ 10:00 A.M. at the District's Office.

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President Richard Carnell  
Board of Supervisors

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Joyce Hertel  
Secretary