

### REGULAR MEETING

April 26, 2023, at 7:00 pm

475 S. Cabbage Palm St., Clewiston, FL 33440

This meeting is open to the Public

Chair Juan Mata Jr. Vice-Chair Daniel E. Santiago Jr.

Supervisor Roberto Moreno Supervisor Juan Carlos Santana

Supervisor Christopher C. Self District Attorney John J. Fumero

District Engineer HL Bennett District Manager Herminio Bussott

District Treasurer John B. Boy Jr. Secretary Rebbecca Hernandez

### 1) CALL TO ORDER

- (a) Roll Call
- (b) Pledge of Allegiance

### 2) APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

- (a) Additions, Deletions, and Substitutions of Agenda Items
- (b) Adoption of Agenda
- (c) Approval of Regular and Budget Board Meeting Minutes (February 22, 2023 & March 22, 2023)

### 3) PUBLIC COMMENT

Note: A public comment card must be completed and provided to District Manager or Board Chair prior to speaking. Prior to providing public comment, please review the section. at the end of agenda entitled "PUBLIC COMMENT & MEETING DECORUM" POLICY

# REGULAR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS (BOARD VOTE REQUIRED)

#### 4) OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

- A) Discuss and vote on reservoir security for 7 days. (Santana)
- B) Discuss and vote on new consultant for reservoir permit. (Fumero)
- C) Discuss and vote on consultant for FDOT grant program. (Fumero)
- D) Discuss and vote on employee salary increase to the national wage. (Santana)

### DISCUSSION ITEMS (NO BOARD VOTE REQUIRED)

### 5) STAFF REPORTS

- a) District Manager's Report
- b) District Engineer's Report

- c) District Treasurer's Report
- d) District Attorney's Report
- 6) BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S REPORT
- 7) ADJOURNMENT

## **PUBLIC COMMENT & MEETING DECORUM POLICY**

CIVILITY AND DECORUM: Central County Water Control District is committed to civility and decorum by its officials, employees and member of the public who attend this meeting.

- CCWCD Officials must be recognized by the Chair and shall not interrupt a speaker.
- Public comment shall be addressed to the Board as a whole and not to any individual Board member or member.
- Display of anger, rudeness, lack of respect, obscene or vulgar conduct shall not be permitted.
- Members of the public in attendance at the meeting must be respectful of others when they are addressing the Board.

Free expression of all points of view is an important democratic value in this community. To allow all persons to speak who may wish to do so, each speaker is asked to complete a Public Comment Card and allowed a maximum of 3 minutes to address the Board. An effective approach is to lead with your key point or concern and then explain the reasons underlying it. If others have already expressed your views, you may simply indicate that you agree with the previous speaker. To encourage and respect expression of all views, meeting rules prohibit clapping, booing or shouts of approval or disagreement from the audience. Individuals that are disruptive may be removed from the meeting.

NOTICE: If a person desire to appeal any decision of the Board of Supervisor of the Central County Water Control District with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, the person will need a record of the meeting, and for this purpose he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the meeting is made, which includes all testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. The Central County Water Control District does not provide such a record.

# Minutes of the March 22, 2023, Board of Supervisors

## Regular Meeting

## **Central County Water Control District**

Regular meeting: roll call, District Manager, District Engineer, Supervisor Seat 4, Supervisor Seat 2, Chair, Supervisor Seat 3, Supervisor Seat 1, District Attorney, District Treasurer.

Approval of agenda: no additions, deletions, and substitutions. Supervisor Santana motion Supervisor Moreno and Supervisor Santiago, seconded. Motion passed.

Public Comment: Eric Santana, ask if there is an application to have millings on his road, and what was the update on golf cart use, and if reservoir will be opening again for riding. District Manager answered on the milling that there is a log that we have in the office that we can place his address on. The golf carts, Mr. Iglesias is working on that in Tallahassee, and Fumero spoke on the reservoir.

Philip Barry, spoke on canal bank washout and how his son was riding his dirt bike on Kennel and Bald Cypress.

David Rodriguez, spoke on use of pool during the week and that he likes that the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Oscar Carraquillo, spoke on that he like the new time of the meetings. He also spoke about his driveway.

# Agenda items:

A: Decorum motion by Supervisor Self, motion didn't pass.

B: Start time of meeting, motion by Self and second by Santana, four yes and 1 nay. Moreno was the nay.

C: Releasing of more fund for milling road, spoke about.

D: Pool room repairs, spoke about it motion to look into the cost, Supervisor Santana motion and second by Supervisor Moreno. Motion passed 3 to 2.

E: District Manager salary, nothing was motion.

F: Past issue that constantly are brought up and take time during meeting, motion by Santana not to keep bring up past issue, second Moreno, 4 yes and 1 nay, Self was nay.

G: Policy of hiring family members: Supervisor Santiago brought it up they will handle it case by case.

H: Spoke on public records from board.

I: Terminating the reservoir contract by Supervisor Self, motion didn't pass.

J Discuss selling of CCWCD properties, brought up by Chair, no motion.

District Manager went over report.

District Engineer Bennett went over report.

District Attorney went over report. Fumero went over his report and Attorney General report.

Supervisor Mata Jr. Meeting Adjourned.

# Manager report March 22, 2023, thru April 18, 2023

Roads worked on: Kennel & Pine Cone, Lindero & Camino Real N & S, Montura & Isora N & S, Avenida del Centro from Hacienda to 833, Appaloosa from Cabbage to Shetland.

Maintenance on Canal # 5, also removal and debris from canal bank.

Worked on washout thru out Montura.

Boom mower: Woodland area.

Mowed thru out Montura and levy.

Sold a total of 24 permits for this month total, 17 new and 7 pre-existing.

Trash pickup thru out Montura and signs changed.

Pool is currently open on thru out the week.

Signs for Montura: still waiting for details before completion.

Basketball goal being fabricated.

Easter event was a success. Total of about 559 attendees.

Basketball tournament no one showed up.

Preparation for summer camp, receiving application for counselors.

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April 15, 2023

Central County Water Control District 475 South Cabbage Palm Street Clewiston, Florida 33440

RE: Engineer's Monthly Report

Members of the Board:

This monthly report covers the period March 16, 2023 to April 18, 2023.

### **ROADS, PERMITS**

I am reviewing utility permits as they are received.

### **ROCK PIT**

The report from Universal Engineering Sciences has been received and I will discuss at the meeting.

### **ANNUAL DIKE INSPECTION**

Dike inspection has been completed and everything is satisfactory.

Sincerely,

H.L. Bennett, PE, PLS

**District Engineer** 



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### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Board Supervisors, Central County Water Control District

FROM:

John J. Fumero, District Attorney

DATE:

April 18, 2023

RE:

**District Attorney Monthly Report** 

April 26, 2023

- 1. Continue interviewing consulting firms: Preparation of SFWMD Environmental Resource Permit Application
- 2. Flooding and sea level resilience plan grant: meet w. legislators and E. Deady
- 3. FDOT Grant Program

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April 7, 2023

John Fumero Esq.
District Attorney - Central County Water Control District
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RE: Proposal to Complete Response to South Florida Water Management
District Investigative Notice Dated June 25, 2012 - Permit No 26-00156-S
Sections 19,29,30 & 32 Twp. 44 South, Rge. 33 East, Hendry County, Florida

Dear Mr. Fumero:

Thank you for requesting my services to complete a response to the South Florida Water Management District's (SFWMD) investigative notice referred to above.

In preparation for responding to your request, I have done the following:

- Reviewed the documents you sent me including those prepared by BearPaws Environmental Consulting
- · Reviewed the SFWMD Permit File-of-Record
- Researched soil types present in the detention area from the Soil Survey of Hendry County
- · Had follow up discussions with you.

Based on the foregoing, I propose to approach the project in three phases. These are presented in the Scope of Services below.

### Scope of Services

#### Phase 1

- Complete review of efforts made to date
- Make an onsite assessment of current conditions in the detention area,
- Update the upland mapped area if justified by onsite assessment
- Develop an assessment of wetland impacts from ATV tracks in wetlands and of natural regeneration following closure of vehicular access in mid-2021
- Develop an ATV trail system located in uplands with minimal passage through wetlands to provide connectivity between upland areas
- Develop a preliminary plan to form the basis of an application to modify the permit

 Schedule and attend a pre-application meeting with SFWMD regulatory staff in Ft Myers

### Phase 2

• Based on the outcome of the pre-application meeting with SFWMD, prepare and file an application to modify Permit No. 26-00156-S

### Phase 3

 Respond to requests for additional information (RAI) from SFWMD on the application to complete processing and issuance of permit modification

#### Fees

- Services described Phase 1 will be provided at an hourly rate of \$100 with a notto exceed amount of \$2,500 plus out-of-pocket expenses at cost
- A fixed fee amount for Phase 2 will be provided based on the outcome of the preapplication meeting with SFWMD included in Phase 1
- Responses to RAI's from SFWMD will be provided at \$100/hour plus out-ofpocket expenses at cost

If this proposal is acceptable, please indicate by signing a copy of this letter below and returning it to me.

Sincerely,				
Nigel Morris Manager				
Accepted this	day of	2023 by		
		Print Name:		
		Title:		