

**MINUTES OF MEETING
SUNSHINE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT**

The Board of Supervisors of the Sunshine Water Control District held a Regular Meeting on November 12, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. at Mullins Hall, 10170 NW 29th Street, Coral Springs, Florida 33065.

Present:

Laurence Kaldor
Peter Palmer
Frankie Romano

President
Vice President
Secretary

Also present:

Jamie Sanchez
Janice Rustin
Orlando Rubio
Cory Selchan
Mark Sirchio
Gloria Guillo
Joe Morera

District Manager
District Counsel
District Engineer
Field Superintendent
Riobak
Resident
Resident

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order

Mr. Kaldor called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Roll Call

Supervisors Kaldor, Palmer and Romano were present. Two seats are vacant.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

Pledge of Allegiance

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

**Public Comments [3-Minute Time Limit]
(Comments should be made from the
microphone to ensure recording. Please
state your name prior to speaking.)**

Mr. Kaldor reviewed the protocols for public comments.

Resident Gloria Guillo read the following statement of her comments and opinions:

“I am a Coral Springs homeowner, a taxpayer and a co-founder of ‘Safe Water South Florida,’ a group of 60 families who oppose toxic spraying and support integrated weed

management. The District's leadership has failed its public duty in three documented ways. One, silencing inquiry; on June 11, 2025, Vice President Peter Palmer ejected me in the middle of my question. I was asking about the Field Superintendent's license, which had been expired for nearly one year. President Kaldor confirmed that time extensions are allowed, especially when only one speaker signs up. Ejecting a taxpayer for asking a legitimate question is unacceptable. I have written that Mr. Palmer should be removed from office but I won't force that at this point. Two, endangering homes; on September 21, 2025, Windings Park flooded severely. Trees were partially-submerged in standing water. We requested the pump operation logs. The logs were incomplete and showed poor monitoring. The Director admitted in writing; 'We don't maintain all the requested records.' This violates Florida Statute 119.07. Public agencies are required not only to provide access to records, but also to maintain records that accurately document official functions and operations. The District's admitted lack of such records raise serious concerns regarding compliance with both the letter and intent of Florida's public records law. Three, factual misrepresentation; Secretary Romano stated that mechanical harvesting only works in canals where no residential homes exist. That statement is incorrect; Windings Park has wide public access for equipment. We are seeking one harvester to use twice per year; not a fleet. Please enter these statements and supporting emails into the official minutes."

Referencing reports she obtained, Ms. Guillo stated, "The basin levels rose steadily from 6.7' over 7.3' between September 15th and September 21st, without sufficient preventative drawdown. Only partial pump activation is logged during this period, though all four PS2 pumps, each weighing approximately 52,500 gpm were available. The engine log contains gaps and missing daily entries suggesting incomplete documentation for comped activity."

Mr. Kaldor stated he appreciates Ms. Guillo's time and passion in making her statement. He noted that Ms. Guillo submitted two documents; one entitled "District Water Level" and the other entitled "Sunshine Water Control District" and both are dated September 20, 2025. He suggested classifying them as Exhibits A and B.

Ms. Sanchez will scan the documents and include them as part of the District record.

Asked what is incomplete about the documents, Ms. Guillo reiterated there was no drawdown, only partial action was logged and there are gaps in daily log entries. Mr. Romano stated he is also a drainage manager and completes the same sheet for the South Florida Water

Management District (SFWMD). Asked why there was no drawdown between September 15 and September 21, 2025, Mr. Romano stated when the pump stations are not activated, no logs are submitted for those days; the holding elevation for the District is 7.5', which was below the water level prior to rainfall. He indicated there is nothing wrong with the documentation. It is the same document that is submitted to the SFWMD each month and, as the issuer of the District's permit to pump, the SFWMD does not have a problem with the data. He stated, by law, the District must abide by the SFWMD's guidelines. He explained how the permit works. If the guidelines are not followed, the SFWMD will fine the District for breaking the permit rules. Mr. Romano stated the District owns 35' of the Windings Park for control for water storage.

Mr. Kaldor stated Mr. Romano addressed the documents submitted by Ms. Guillo.

Ms. Sanchez asked for a motion to amend the agenda for a walk-on item.

On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, amending the agenda to include the bid award for the West Outfall Canal Phase 3 Encroachment Removal Project, was approved.

- **Award of Contract: West Outfall Canal (WOFC) Phase 3 Encroachment Removal Project**
This item was an addition to the agenda.

Mr. Rubio stated five proposals were received for the WOFC for Phase 3 project. He reviewed three of the lowest bidders. Based on the bid package, completeness of documents submitted, track record and familiarity with the project, Staff ranked Riobak Corporation the most responsive and responsible bidder and recommends awarding the contract to Riobak; with a bid total of \$3,031,184.

Discussion ensued regarding Landshore's bid and whether to approve the contract.

On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, accepting Staff's recommendation to rank Riobak Corporation as the #1 ranked respondent to the RFP for the West Outfall Canal Phase 3 Encroachment Removal Project, and awarding the contract to Riobak Corporation, was approved.

On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, authorizing Staff to enter into an agreement with Riobak Corporation and to execute the contract, was approved.

**of Electing a Board of Supervisors on
November 3, 2026, Including Seat 4, and
Seat 5; Qualifying Candidates; Setting
Terms; and Applicable Law E**

Asked how the Resolution changes or interacts with the potential appointment of Board Members, Ms. Rustin explained the way the charter was drafted and the transition from a three-person Board to a five-person Board. Three seats are four-year terms, two seats are two-year terms. In 2026, via the General Election, the seats currently with a two-year term will be up for election and have four-terms.

Mr. Kaldor presented Resolution 2026-01 and read the title.

On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, Resolution 2026-01, Calling a General Election for the Purpose of Electing a Board of Supervisors on November 3, 2026, Including Seat 4, and Seat 5; Qualifying Candidates; Setting Terms; and Applicable Law E, was adopted.

Mr. Kaldor asked if Seats 1, 2 or 3 would be on the November 2026 ballot in the event of a death or resignation. Ms. Rustin stated the Board can appoint, by majority vote, individuals to fill seats that are vacated but the remaining Board Members cannot appoint anyone to the two vacant seats that should have been are elected through the last General Election.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**Acceptance of Unaudited Financial
Statements as of September 30, 2025**

On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, the Unaudited Financial Statements as of September 30, 2025, were accepted.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**Approval of September 12, 2025 Public
Hearings and Regular Meeting Minutes**

On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Romano, with all in favor, the September 12, 2025 Public Hearings and Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented, were approved.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**Supervisors' Communications**

There were no Supervisor communications.

NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**Staff Reports****A. District Counsel: Lewis, Longman & Walker, P.A.**

Ms. Rustin reported the following:

➤ The First District Court of Appeals recently overturned restrictions on open-carry. The Administrative Guidance stated that law enforcement will no longer be required to enforce the law that prohibits individuals from openly carrying weapons. However, this does not impact the restriction in another part of the Statute which states that concealed weapons are not allowed in meetings of the Board of Supervisors of Special Districts. This Board does not have any ability to pass restrictions beyond that because the State has pre-empted appeals. If the Board takes any action to adopt restrictions that are inconsistent with the State's Guidance, individual members could be subject to a \$5,000 fine.

Asked if long guns, such as AR15s, are allowed, Ms. Rustin stated that is the interpretation by some legal counsel; however, the majority of attorneys do not agree with this and have presented two bills to the Legislature disputing long guns.

➤ Regarding the Board's direction to tally her legal fees related to a resident's public records requests, the total amount from the first request on April 1, 2025 through November 2025 is \$8,274. The Statute permits a governmental entity to charge reasonable fees for the collection of responsible records requests. Starting in October, Ms. Sanchez clarified that Staff's time will be calculated for public records requests going forward. The last request that was put forth by the resident was calculated at \$3,200 for Ms. Sanchez's and Mr. Rubio's time.

Mr. Palmer voiced his discomfort with having fees for public records requests passed on to the taxpayers on a continuous basis. Ms. Rustin asked the Board if she could include her fees onto Staff's fees if there is another public records request. Mr. Kaldor replied affirmatively and stated the public should be made aware of the cost of public records requests and he will raise this matter at the next meeting.

Discussion ensued regarding the exact language for a motion to recover fees and expenses related to fulfilling public records requests, the difference between a resident question and a public records request, and establishing a threshold amount for public records.

Ms. Rustin will fine-tune the language for a motion and present it at the next meeting.

B. District Engineer: Craig A. Smith & Associates

I. Presentation: Monthly Engineer's Report (MER)

Mr. Rubio presented the Monthly Engineer's Report from September 12, 2025 to November 5, 2025. He presented the following ROW permit requests:

II. Permit Application(s)

- **Comcast JB0001866311**

On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, the Right-of-Way Permit Application, submitted by Comcast for directional bore installation of 10,611 LF of 1-2" HDPE conduit within Westchester Lake and canal system, subject to the Special Conditions set forth in the October 6, 2025 recommendation letter, was approved.

- **Comcast JB0002119064**

On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, the Right-of-Way Permit Application, submitted by Comcast for directional bore installation of 4,584 LF of 2-2" SHDPE conduits within various SWCD canal ROW, subject to the Special Conditions set forth in the October 7, 2025 recommendation letter, was approved.

- **Unitec 1023486.00**

On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, the Right-of-Way Permit Application, submitted by the City of Coral Springs, via Unitec, for directional bore installation of 1,065 LF of 3-1.25" HDPE conduits within various (6) SWCD canal ROW, subject to the Special Conditions set forth in the October 8, 2025 recommendation letter, was approved.

- **Permit 2025-09 Extension Request**

On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, the Permit 2025-09 six-month Permit Extension Request related to directional bore installation of 1-70 LF of 2" conduit under SWCD Canal "JJ, subject to the Special Conditions set forth in the October 27, 2025 recommendation letter as revised October 28, 2025, was approved.

- **Mastec D-HCS327**

On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, the Right-of-Way Permit Application, submitted by Mastec Communications Group via. Tillman Fiber (Mastec D-HCS327), for directional bore installation of 70-LF HDPE conduit by the SWCD Canal on NW 24th Street, subject to the Special Conditions set forth in the November 5, 2025 recommendation letter, was approved.

- **Mastec D-HCS347**

On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, the Right-of-Way Permit Application, submitted by Mastec Communications Group via. Tillman Fiber (Mastec D-HCS347), for directional bore installation of 70-LF HDPE conduit by the SWCD Canal on NW 24th Street, subject to the Special Conditions set forth in the November 5, 2025 recommendation letter, was approved.

C. District Field Supervisor: Cory Selchan

Mr. Selchan reported the following:

- Rainfall: The total for September was 10.3", October was 4" and November has been ½" so far, which is minimal for this time of year.
- All the District's projects are running smoothly. Crews have been treating the canals and they look good. The only outstanding item is a tree removal that needs to be completed prior to the canal improvement project.

Mr. Selchan noted that the public comments read tonight were also sent to the City of Coral Springs by the person making the comments and several individuals were included on the email chain. He noted that the email referenced a severe flood in Windings Park and included the following quote: "the water rose high enough to cover the trees." The resident also stated that Staff did not provide notification, is not transparent and are not held to any oversight or accountability. Mr. Selchan stated there was no flooding; however, there was a water puddle in the park across the street from the resident's home. He discussed the SFWMD site and the rainfall on the day in question. He clarified for the Board that there was no flooding anywhere in Coral Springs.

In response to Mr. Kaldor's inquiry about the pumps not working, Mr. Selchan stated the pumps were not activated. All the pump station facilities work as they should; there is nothing wrong with any equipment. That afternoon, the District received about 3" to 5" of rain. The fire department near the area and the water gauge in North Springs was 5" and near the resident's home, it was 3". So, somewhere it got between 3" and 5" of rain. The last time that occurred there was 2' of water in the street but that did not happen this time, which means the City's drainage system worked as it should and the SWCD systems worked as they should. The resident commented on the water levels. Mr. Selchan stated he does not know how much it is going to rain when it rains but Staff is prepared. Regarding the water levels, the District has a mean water level and it cannot, by permit, activate the pumps until that level is reached; it was

1' lower than that when the rains occurred on a Sunday. A few crewmen called and reported that it was really raining near their homes and, upon checking the levels, it was determined it was over 7.5. A couple of pumps were started and, by Monday morning, the water levels were below the mean water level.

Mr. Kaldor stated it is essential to transcribe Mr. Selchan's statements almost verbatim.

Ms. Sanchez stated, in this case, the transcription will be verbatim, as requested.

The following is Mr. Selchan's verbatim statement:

Mr. Selchan: Regarding the resident reference in the documents that there are gaps in the logs; if we pump, it is written, if we do not pump, we don't put the same hours every day until we pump again. The hours that they run are only written down on the days that they run, so if you see a gap, it starts at 200 hours to 205 and so on. So, there are no gaps. Staff will not write zeros every day; that is not how the data is recorded. Staff does the documentation the way everyone else does their documentation; unless they have some type of telemetry, depending on what telemetry they have, there may be some daily number of zero if nothing is happening. That holds no water. The resident keeps making comments about integrated weed management, about fish, mechanical means and chemical means and how everyone else does that. She has no idea what we do day in and day out. She does not know if we use any mechanical means for weed control. She has no idea. She does not know if we use any biological control. She has no idea. She does not know how much chemical gets put where, when and how; she has no idea. So, the fact that she keeps coming and making the statements she is making... as a matter of fact, there is no truth to any of these things I am addressing tonight; zero. She has no idea. So, when she tells you we are not following what I would call the industry standard, she is wrong. We do follow the industry standards. She continues to use SFWMD as a reference. They are the largest purchaser and user of the products she does not like in the State of Florida. There is no one that buys more of these products than the SFWMD and there is no one that uses more of them than the SFWMD. I just want the facts to be clear to the Board when you hear whatever you want to call this. It is not truthful, there is no meaningful comments that have been made, they are being made by someone who does not have the information she needs or the understanding of how it works. I do not have a magic wand, I do not know when it is going to rain 5", no one does. So, it is hard to prepare for no-name storms. All I can do is maintain the water levels I am permitted to maintain, which we did

and without any issue. There was no flooding anywhere in the City of Coral Springs, not just Sunshine.”

Asked if any of the individuals at the City of Coral Springs who received the email had any questions, Mr. Selchan stated he reached out to see if anyone had any questions about the resident’s comments and no one had any questions. Mr. Selchan stated Staff will continue following industry standards and he wants the Board to know the facts, not the rhetoric.

D. District Manager: Wrathell, Hunt & Associates, LLC

Ms. Sanchez stated that Mark Nyland and Travis Gleason, of Fifth Third Bank visited her office and met with the Controller and discussed the banking options that they could provide to the SWCD. They are not able to provide an Insured Cash Sweep (ICS) account. So, for now, Staff will keep things as they are. Unless the Board comes together in a meeting and designates an individual to handle a topic, such as banking, Board Members cannot go out to solicit banks.

Discussion ensued regarding the holiday luncheon and whether to hold the December meeting. The luncheon will be held on December 12, 2025.

Mr. Kaldor asked for Staff to arrange for law enforcement to attend the next meeting.

- **NEXT MEETING DATE: December 10, 2025 at 4:00 PM**
 - **QUORUM CHECK**

The next meeting will be on December 10, 2025, unless rescheduled or canceled.

TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Public Comments

Regarding the fees for public records requests, resident Joe Morera stated his opinion that, if it takes more than a specified amount of Staff time, then the applicable fees should apply. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

ELEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

New Business

There was no new business.


TWELFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Adjournment

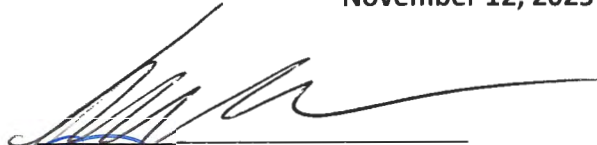
On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Romano, with all in favor, the meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

SUNSHINE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

November 12, 2025



Secretary/Assistant Secretary



President/Vice President