

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
SUNSHINE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT**

The Board of Supervisors of the Sunshine Water Control District held a Regular Meeting on October 22, 2024 at 6:30 p.m., at Mullins Hall, 10170 NW 29th St, Coral Springs, Florida 33065.

**Present were:**

Joe Morera  
Ivan Ortiz  
Carol Smith

President  
Vice President  
Secretary

**Also present:**

Jamie Sanchez  
Janice Rustin  
Orlando Rubio  
Cory Selchan  
Peter Palmer  
Laurence Kaldor  
Frank Romano

District Manager  
District Counsel  
District Engineer  
Field Superintendent  
Member of the public  
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**FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Call to Order**

Mr. Morera called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Roll Call**

All Supervisors were present.

**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.)

No members of the public spoke.

**FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****Discussion: Site Visit Report and Resources**

Ms. Sanchez presented a Florida Insurance Alliance (FIA) Site Visit Report and stated this is not typically in the agenda. Every year, the insurance adjuster visits the District and meets with Mr. Selchan, who previously validated the Report.

Mr. Selchan stated the FIA Report is a routinely-drafted Report. The District passed the inspection; there are no critical issues but the adjuster made a few suggestions that Staff will follow up with.

Ms. Smith commented that the Report is informative and will be helpful especially to the incoming Board Members.

Ms. Rustin stated she previously reviewed all of the District's contracts to determine if they are in compliance and thought it interesting that the language in the contracts includes a checklist.

Ms. Rustin discussed Florida Statute 768.28, a waiver of sovereign immunity, case law, the terms and conditions in the Primming Manual and the language in the contracts she reviewed, including the Right-of-Way (ROW) Obstructions Removal Agreement, the Canal Access Easement and Maintenance Agreement, the Debris Removal Agreement and Professional Services Agreement and Requests for Proposals (RFP).

Ms. Rustin stated that, in the coming months, she will coordinate with Ms. Sanchez to make sure that the particular language, as described in the FIA Report, is included in the District's contracts.

**SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****Acceptance of Unaudited Financial Statements as of August 31, 2024**

<p><b>On MOTION by Ms. Smith and seconded by Mr. Ortiz, with all in favor, the Unaudited Financial Statements as of August 31, 2024, were accepted.</b></p>
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**SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****Approval of September 12, 2024 Public Hearings and Regular Meeting Minutes**

**On MOTION by Mr. Ortiz and seconded by Ms. Smith, with all in favor, the September 12, 2024 Public Hearings and Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented, were approved.**

**EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****Supervisors' Communications**

This item was deferred to the end of the meeting.

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

Ms. Rustin had nothing further to report.

**B. District Engineer: Craig A. Smith & Associates****I. Presentation: Monthly Engineer's Report**

Mr. Rubio presented the Monthly Engineer's Report and provided updates about the Pump Station 3 Replacement and the West Outfall Canal (WOFC) Phase 3 projects.

**II. Permit Application(s)**

Mr. Rubio presented the following permit applications and recommended approval:

- **Installation of FOC Via Attachment to Riverside Drive Bridge Consisting of 50 LF of 2" PVC Pipe Over SWCD Canal "E" [Blue Stream Communications, LLC – S14/15/T48S/R41E]**

**On MOTION by Ms. Smith and seconded by Mr. Ortiz, with all in favor, the CAS Project #15-1826 ROW Permit Application, submitted by Blue Stream Communications, LLC, for the Installation of FOC Via Attachment to Riverside Drive Bridge Consisting of 50 LF of 2" PVC Pipe Over SWCD Canal "E", subject to the Special Conditions set forth in the October 1, 2024 recommendation letter, was approved.**

- **Replacement of Two (2) Fiber Optic Pull Boxes & Conduit Installation Within Existing Coral Springs Drive Bridge Over SWCD West Outfall Canal ROW; and Directionally of 3-2" HDPE Conduits Under SWCVD Canal Z Culverts [Broward County – Highway Construction & Engineering Division – S29T48S/R41E]**

**On MOTION by Ms. Smith and seconded by Mr. Ortiz, with all in favor, the CAS Project No. 15-1826 Right-of-Way Permit Application, submitted by Broward County – Highway Construction & Engineering Division – S29T48S/R41E for the Replacement of Two (2) Fiber Optic Pull Boxes & Conduit Installation Within Existing Coral Springs Drive Bridge Over SWCD West Outfall Canal ROW; and Directionally of 3-2" HDPE Conduits Under SWCVD Canal Z Culverts, subject to the Special Conditions set forth in the October 2, 2024 recommendation letter, was approved.**

Asked if an issue regarding a company that drilled through one of the culverts was resolved, Mr. Rubio replied affirmatively.

**C. District Engineering Consultant: John McKune**

There was no report.

**D. District Field Supervisor: Cory Selchan**

Mr. Selchan reported the following:

- Although recent storms bypassed the area, the District received over 12" of rainfall.
- The pumps were activated prior to each storm but they were halted after realizing that the District was not in the path of the storms. Only 3" of rain was received in October.

Discussion ensued regarding a statement about the lack of flooding in Coral Springs, social media posts regarding responsiveness, canal maintenance and how District employees should respond to resident complaints.

- The District is in good shape and there are no staffing issues.

▪ **Supervisors' Communications**

**This item, previously the Eighth Order of Business, was presented out of order.**

Ms. Smith stated she really enjoyed being on the Board; it has been an honor to serve the community. She learned a lot and is impressed with the Staff, especially Mr. Selchan. She stated she is happy to transfer responsibility to the incoming Board and thanked all meeting attendees.

Mr. Ortiz echoed Ms. Smith's comments and stated it has been an honor and privilege to serve on the Board and work with such a professional and competent Staff. He stated that he has been in many different corporate settings and different levels and voiced his opinion the District's Staff is top notch. It has been a real pleasure working with everyone. He thanked everyone for their hard work.

Mr. Morera stated he has served on the Board for the past 15 years and this is a bittersweet moment. He shared how he was recruited to the Board and stated, from the very beginning, serving the District became a passion. It has been a labor of love and he will greatly miss the work and District Staff. He feels that a good working unit was forged and the team represented the District well.

Mr. Morera thanked Ms. Smith and Mr. Ortiz for accepting his invitation to become Board Members and District Staff for their diligence, expertise and dedication. He stated that it has been an honor and a privilege to serve as Board President.

Mr. Selchan shared how things were before Mr. Morera joined the Board, compared to now, and thanked him for his service.

**E. District Manager: Wrathell, Hunt & Associates, LLC**

- **NEXT MEETING: November 13, 2024 at 6:30 PM**

- **QUORUM CHECK**

The next meeting will be held on November 13, 2024.

Ms. Sanchez stated it has been a pleasure working with the outgoing Board Members and with Staff; she will sincerely miss everyone and hopes that everyone will continue to stay in touch.

Mr. Morera wished the incoming Board Members well, rendered advice and asked them to be responsive and take care of the community.

**TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Public Comments**

An incoming Board Member congratulated the outgoing Board.

Mr. Palmer voiced his opinion that the incoming Board Members will have big shoes to fill. He believes they will take their positions seriously. He asked if his Oath of Office was received, how the minutes are recorded and how meetings are publicized.

Ms. Sanchez stated she has yet to receive Mr. Palmer's Oath but has his contact information. She stated that the minutes are recorded and transcribed by Management's Transcription team and the meeting schedule is on the District's website.

Mr. Romano introduced himself and gave a brief overview of his professional background.

Ms. Rustin stated she can assemble important documents that are specific to the District for the incoming Board Members, including a permitting manual, budget documents and the special act that outlines the Rules of the District.

**ELEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

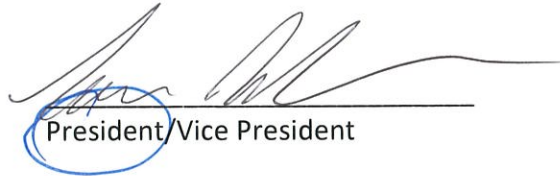
**Adjournment**

<p><b>On MOTION by Ms. Smith and seconded by Mr. Ortiz, with all in favor, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.</b></p>
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