

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
SUNSHINE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT**

The Board of Supervisors of the Sunshine Water Control District held a Regular Meeting on August 13, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. at Mullins Hall, 10170 NW 29th St., Coral Springs, Florida 33065.

**Present:**

Laurence Kaldor	President
Peter Palmer	Vice President
Frankie Romano	Secretary

**Also present:**

Jamie Sanchez	District Manager
Janice Rustin	District Counsel
Orlando Rubio	District Engineer
Cory Selchan	Field Superintendent
Mark Nyland	Fifth/Third Bank
Travis Gleason	Fifth/Third Bank
Emsley Wilton	Bank United
Whitney Motes	Bank United
Angeline Stephens	Bank United
Gloria Guillo	Resident

**FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Call to Order**

Mr. Kaldor called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

**SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Roll Call**

All sitting Supervisors 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.)**

Resident Gloria Guillo read the following prepared statement into the record:

“I a homeowner and taxpayer in Coral Springs, as well as a co-founder of ‘Safe Water South Florida,’ a group of 60 local homeowners that are opposed to the use of toxic chemicals in our waterways, and support the use of mechanical harvesters. My property borders a canal or lake managed by the Sunshine Water Control District. I have clear standing under Florida’s Sunshine Law to speak before this Board. As the audio transcript of the District’s June 11 Board meeting shows, I was cut off at the 3-minute mark while calmly reading a prepared statement. My request to finish my last sentence while seated in a nearly-empty room with no other speakers waiting was denied. Vice President, Peter Palmer, is heard not only loudly interrupting me, but also repeatedly demanding that a Police Officer escort me out of the building as if I was a dangerous offender. Even the District’s Counsel objected but Mr. Palmer insisted; his conduct was unbecoming of a public official and, I believe, constitutes grounds for his removal. At minimum, I demand an apology from the Board. The meeting’s transcript also shows falsely exaggerated statements made by Mr. Palmer and Field Superintendent Cory Selchan, regarding the cost of a mechanical harvester pilot program. They ignored existing staff, equipment and best industry practices that support integrated aquatic weed management that includes mechanical harvesters. Glyphosate, the chemical sprayed by the District is classified as a probable carcinogen by both the U.N. and California. Mr. Selchan argued, glyphosate is safe because it is sold at Home Depot, ignoring billions paid, cancer-related court awards; legality does not equal safety. Mr. Selchan also claimed harvesters don’t work and are a waste of money without any evidence. His comments may be considered slanderous. Lastly, the District’s January sulfate spraying failed to control water lilies and caused long term canal bank damage by chemically removing nearly all grasses that stabilize the shoreline, the District has worsened erosion. This reflects poor water and soil management and is a waste of taxpayer funds by the District. Be advised, any flood damage from the District’s negligence or mismanagement will be litigated. The Board is urged to review its public comments policy, reduce chemical herbicide use and take immediate action to protect and restore our canal banks. Thank you.”

**FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****New Business**

Going forward, New Business will be after Public Comments at the end of the agenda.

**SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****Presentation: Fifth Third Liquidity Management**

Mr. Mark Nyland introduced himself, discussed his professional background and reviewed Fifth Third's corporate highlights and statistics, regional footprint, capital ratios and credit agency ratings. Today's discussion is about banking and asset management. He explained how Fifth Third's liquidity management tools could enhance the District's current portfolio.

Mr. Travis Gleason discussed his professional background and experience in the investment division at Fifth Third Bank. He reviewed the "Liquidity Continuum" portion of the presentation, on Page 4. He noted the importance of preserving interest income in today's falling interest rate environment. He would like to obtain a better understanding of the District's cashflow needs and present ideas that might be different than what the District has done in the past. Referencing slides, Mr. Gleason reviewed Fifth Third's technology platform, investment services, money market funds, Bloomberg Bond Yield Forecasts, Fed Projections and Economic Outlook and the fed funds rate. He noted the District's current banking strategy through its insured cash sweep (ICS) and Goldman Sachs accounts. He would like to partner with the District on a different strategy of locking in some of the yields and utilizing institutional AAA-rated government funds that have daily liquidity and zero cost. He concluded that, whether the District banks with Fifth Third or not, it can utilize the technology platform anytime to wire funds in or out of the main operating account within two hours. He urged the Board and Staff to contact him or Mr. Nyland for investment help in the upcoming fiscal year.

**SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****Presentation: BankUnited**

Ms. Whitney Motes introduced herself as the Relationship Manager for the District as well as Wrathell Hunt and Associates (WHA), and stated the District has an ICS account with BankUnited. She reviewed the BankUnited's financial highlights. Referencing slides, Ms. Motes discussed how ICS accounts work, how the District is not doing as well as it could interest-wise with its funds in five money market accounts, how the District would benefit by consolidating and bringing all of its accounts to BankUnited, the District's interest earnings in 2025 and interest income to date. She concluded that, if the District moved all its funds to BankUnited, it would earn an additional \$4,500 per month in interest.

Mr. Wilton stated, as Director of Government Banking, he covers all of Florida, New York and Texas. He stated BankUnited does financing and offers several other products that would benefit the District; everything is FDIC-insured and the bank is locally-based in Miami Lakes.

Mr. Wilton and Ms. Motes responded to questions regarding how BankUnited's investment programs compare with Fifth Third's programs, what the spread will be in basis points, if BankUnited's overnight sweep is automatic, how BankUnited's other products could benefit the District and BankUnited's \$0 fee for ICS accounts, which was negotiated by WHA.

Ms. Sanchez noted a decision today is not required. Mr. Kaldor suggested the presenters submit proposals to Ms. Sanchez to email to the Board before the September meeting.

**EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****Presentation of Audited Financial Report  
for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30,  
2024, Prepared by Grau & Associates**

Ms. Sanchez presented the Audited Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2024. There were no findings, recommendations, deficiencies on internal control or instances of non-compliance; it was a clean audit.

**A. Consideration of Resolution 2025-05, Hereby Accepting the Audited Financial Report  
for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2024**

<p><b>On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, Resolution 2025-05, Hereby Accepting the Audited Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2024, was adopted.</b></p>
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▪ **Consideration of Recommendation to Award**

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

Mr. Rubio presented the following recommendations to award:

**A. SWCD West Outfall Canal Encroachments Removal Project – Phase 3A**

<p><b>On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, Tree Jaws Quote #2294 for SWCD West Outfall Canal Encroachments Removal Project – Phase 3A, in the amount of \$79,155, was approved.</b></p>
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**B. SWCD Pump Station 3 Removal Project**

On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, the Southeastern Engineering Contractors quote for the SWCD Pump Station 3 Removal Project, in the amount of \$329,549, was approved.

**NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Consideration of Craig A. Smith and Associates Proposals for Engineering Services**

- A. **During Construction & Construction Observation Services for the Replacement of Pump Station No. 3 with a Gravity Control Structure at Canal "D"**

On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, CAS Proposal No. OCASA-0353B, SWCD - Replacement of Pump Station No. 3 with a Gravity Control Structure at Canal "D" for Professional Engineering Services during construction and construction observation services, in the amount of \$65,001, was approved.

- B. **During Construction & Construction Observation Services for the Encroachments Removal within the West Outfall Canal – Phase 3 Area**

On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, Proposal No. OCASA-0354B, the WOFC – Phase 3 Encroachments removal project, Professional Services for Engineering Services during construction and construction observation services, in the amount of \$6,250, was approved.

**TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Consideration of Recommendation to Award**

- A. **SWCD West Outfall Canal Encroachments Removal Project – Phase 3A**  
B. **SWCD Pump Station 3 Removal Project**

These items were presented following the Eighth Order of Business.

**ELEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Consideration of Tree Removal Quotes for Option 2 Obstruction Removal**

- **Consideration of Obstructions Removal Agreement - Option 2 for 4000 NW 106 DR**  
**This item, previously the Twelfth Order of Business, was presented out of order.**

Ms. Sanchez presented the Obstructions Removal Agreement - Option 2 for 4000 NW 106 Drive and suggested combining this with those in Agenda Item 11.

- A. Grateful Tree and Hedge [\$25,000]
- B. Just Call James Inc [\$9,800]
- C. Tree Jaws [\$8,350]

Mr. Selchan responded to questions regarding the encroachment removal bids and if there are only three companies in the area.

**On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, the Tree Jaws proposal for Option 2 Obstruction Removal for 4000 NW 106 Drive, in the amount of \$8,350, was approved.**

#### **TWELFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

#### **Consideration of Obstructions Removal Agreement - Option 2 for 4000 NW 106 DR**

This item was during the Eleventh Order of Business.

#### **THIRTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

#### **Consideration of Rostan Solutions, LLC Amendment No 1 to Professional Service Agreement**

Ms. Rustin presented Rostan Solutions, LLC Amendment No 1 to the Professional Service Agreement. The monitoring and debris removal contracts with Rostan Solutions will expire soon. She asked the Board to extend the Management and Reimbursement Contract three months to allow District Staff to procure replacement contracts.

**On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, Rostan Solutions, LLC Amendment No 1 to Professional Service Agreement, extending the Management and Reimbursement Contract three months to allow District Staff to procure replacement contracts, was approved.**

Ms. Rustin stated the District must utilize the competitive solicitation process for debris removal. The State is very strict about how procurement operates; it must be publicly noticed via the competitive solicitation process. Staff prepared the Request for Proposals (RFP) to be advertised and the RFP is based on an evaluation criteria. She asked the Board to appoint Mr. Selchan, Mr. Rubio and Mr. Romano as the Selection Committee to evaluate the responses.

**On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, appointing Mr. Selchan, Mr. Rubio and Mr. Romano as the Selection Committee to evaluate the responses to the RFP, was approved.**

**FOURTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****Discussion: Fiscal Year 2026 Proposed Budget**

Ms. Sanchez distributed a modified version of the proposed Fiscal Year 2026 Budget based on the Board's requests from the last meeting to reduce the assessment increase from a 2.99% increase to just a 2.49% increase; this decreases the assessments by \$1.40 per unit.

Mr. Kaldor thanked Staff for making the changes in the budget and motioned to have Staff provide a line item review at the next meeting identifying a minimum of 10% in potential budget savings from non-essential, non-personal areas; specifically targeting 5% for re-allocation to priority projects and a 5% direct reduction to the Fiscal Year 2026 budget.

Ms. Sanchez voiced her discomfort doing that and stated she cannot cut costs against what Staff believes the District will be utilizing in Fiscal Year 2026. Ms. Rustin stated the Board must adopt the budget at the next meeting.

Discussion ensued regarding the timing of Mr. Kaldor's requests, if any additional changes can be made to the budget, re-allocating funds, potential areas for savings and designating one Board Member to work with Staff to revise the budget further.

Mr. Kaldor restated and amended his motion to state that the 10% budget savings should be a query instead of a directive to Staff.

Staff to revisit budget and see if any cost savings can be found in field operations items.  
Motion by Kaldor 2<sup>nd</sup> by Palmer. (3-0)

**On MOTION by Mr. Romano and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, appointing/designating Mr. Kaldor to coordinate with Staff and Mr. Selchan on Fiscal Year 2026 budget, was approved.**

**On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, authorizing Mr. Kaldor, Staff and Mr. Selchan to determine if any cost savings can be found in the Fiscal Year 2026 budget, if possible, was approved.**

**FIFTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****Acceptance of Unaudited Financial Statements as of June 30, 2025**

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

**SIXTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****Approval of June 11, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes**

**On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, the June 11, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented, were approved.**

**SEVENTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****Supervisors' Communications**

Mr. Palmer expressed support for Mr. Kaldor's thoughts on potentially reducing costs as the Board would like to keep expenses as low as possible while maintaining smooth operations.

Mr. Kaldor voiced his appreciation for the Board and Staff for their hard work.

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

There was no report.

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

Mr. Rubio presented the Monthly Engineer's Report from June 11, 2025 to August 6, 2025. He provided updates on the Pump Station 3 Replacement (PS3) at Royal Lands and the West Outfall Canal (WOFC) Phase 3 Encroachments Removal Project.

**II. Permit Application**

- a. Extension Request: Chris Mathew [9027 NW 21<sup>st</sup> St Vertical Home Renovation adjacent to SWCD Canal "L"]**

**On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, the CAS PROJECT NO. 15-1826 Right-of-Way Permit No. 2025-05 extension request, submitted by Chris Mathew, Owner at 9027 NW 21<sup>st</sup> St Vertical Home Renovation adjacent to SWCD Canal "L", was approved.**

- b. Comcast Directional Bore Installation [South of Atlantic Blvd/West of NE 80th Terr.]**



On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Romano, with all in favor, the CAS PROJECT NO. 15-1826 Right-of-Way Permit Application, submitted by FP&L – S34/48S/R41E for an installation of 1-70 LF of 2" HDPE conduits under SWCD East Outfall Canal, South of Atlantic Blvd/West of NE 80<sup>th</sup> Terrace, subject to the Special Conditions set forth in the August 6, 2025 recommendation letter, was approved.

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

Mr. Selchan reported the following:

- The District received a good amount of rain in July but it had little effect on the water levels. 3" of rain was received in August. The East Basin is below 5', which is extremely low.
- All operational systems are working and the District is prepared for a storm.
- He recently toured the canals and pump stations with the Board President.

Mr. Selchan discussed the proposed Fiscal Year 2026 budget and opined that it is as scant as it can be. Mr. Kaldor stated he is less concerned with residents bearing the burden than he is with commercial owners; he would prefer expending funds on dredging rather than garbage cleanup, which is what the District is supposed to do.

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

- **29,984 Registered Voters in District as of April 15, 2025**
- **UPCOMING MEETINGS**
  - **September 12, 2025 at 9:30 AM at LaQuinta Inn Coral Springs, 3701 N. University Drive, Coral Springs, Florida 33065 [Adoption of FY2026 Budget & O&M Assessments]**
  - **October 8, 2025 at 4:00 PM [Mullins Hall]**
  - **QUORUM CHECK**

**NINETEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**TWENTIETH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Adjournment**

On MOTION by Mr. Kaldor and seconded by Mr. Palmer, with all in favor, the meeting adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

SUNSHINE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

August 13, 2025

  
Secretary/Assistant Secretary

  
President/Vice President