

**SOUTH BROWARD DRAINAGE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
\*\*\*\*AGENDA\*\*\*\*  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 30, 2007**

**NOTE: BOARD MEMBERS, PLEASE TURN YOUR MICROPHONES ON**

- 01. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 02. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 03. APPROVAL - JULY 25, 2007, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES
- 04. SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT/BROWARD COUNTY GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER SHANNON ESTENOZ INTRODUCTION & WELCOME
- 05. GARY A. ZARILLO, PHD.PG, PROFESSOR OF MARINE & ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES, FLORIDA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY IN MELBOURNE, ON HURRICANE WILMA EROSION IN THE LARGE LAKES IN MIRAMAR & PEMBROKE PINES
- 06. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:
  - A. MIRAMAR TOWN CENTER GARAGE CONDOMINIUMS/DISCUSSION ON ASSESSMENT RATE
  - B. VACATION/VARIANCE REQUESTS:
    - 1. ALONSO DRAINAGE-EASEMENT(S) VACATION REQUEST
    - 2. DUKE SURFACE-WATER MANAGEMENT AREA VACATION REQUEST
    - 3. DONAWA PARTIAL LAKE-MAINTENANCE EASEMENT ENCROACHMENT REQUEST
    - 4. LAMBERSON PARTIAL LAKE-MAINTENANCE EASEMENT ENCROACHMENT REQUEST
  - C. WOLNEK WATER-CRAFT APPEAL/REQUEST
  - D. SEPTEMBER 2007 BOARD MEETING - RESCHEDULE TO WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>
  - E. ADOPT-A-CANAL BROCHURE
  - F. OTHER
- 07. ATTORNEY'S REPORT:
  - A. MITIGATION-AREA AGREEMENT FOR TERRA VERDE DEVELOPMENT/RESOLUTION NO. 2007-14
  - B. OTHER
- 08. APPROVAL OF LEGAL BILLS
- 09. BOARD MEMBERS QUESTIONS/COMMENTS
- 10. OTHER
- 11. MEETING DATES:
  - A. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING - WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2007 (IF APPROVED PER AGENDA ITEM #4-C)
  - B. FINAL BUDGET HEARING/MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING - TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2007, 7:30 P.M.
- 12. ADJOURNMENT

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ANYONE WISHING TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THE BOARD WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT SUCH HEARING/MEETING MAY NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS AND FOR SUCH PURPOSE MAY WISH TO INSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD IS MADE, WHICH RECORD IS TO BE USED FOR TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH AN APPEAL WOULD BE BASED.

IN ACCORDANCE W/THE AMERICANS W/DISABILITIES ACT AND FLORIDA STATUTE 286.26, PERSONS W/DISABILITIES NEEDING SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION TO PARTI-CIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING SHOULD CONTACT THE DISTRICT AT (954) 680-3337 AT LEAST 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THE PROCEEDINGS FOR ASSISTANCE.

**SOUTH BROWARD DRAINAGE DISTRICT  
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
AUGUST 30, 2007**

**Present:**

Jack McCluskey, Chairperson  
Scott Hodges, Vice Chairperson  
James Ryan, Secretary  
Carl Lanke, Treasurer  
Robert E. Goggin, Commissioner

Alanna Mersinger, Commissioner  
Leo M. Schwartzberg, District Director  
Douglas R. Bell, Legal Counsel  
Joann Long, Recording Secretary  
General Public (List Attached)

**Absent:**

John Eastman, Commissioner

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**01. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Meeting called to order at 9:35 A.M. followed by roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**02. PUBLIC COMMENT(S) - None**

**03. JULY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES**

Motion by Mrs. Mersinger to approve July 25, 2007, Board meeting minutes as submitted. Second by Mr. Hodges; carried unanimously.

**04. SFWMD BROWARD COUNTY NEW GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER**

Ms. Shannon Estenoz, new addition to SFWMD's Broward County Governing Board, introduced herself and provided information on her background. She is appreciative of the good relationship between SBDD and SFWMD and looks forward to working with SBDD staff. Ms. Estenoz provided information about ongoing SFWMD projects as well as the drought situation which has become a huge problem with no end in sight. Ms. Estenoz was wished well in her new position

**05. HURRICANE WILMA/HARBOUR LAKES LAKE-BANK REPORT**

Mr. Gary A. Zarillo, PHD.PG, Professor of Marine & Environmental Studies, Florida Institute of Technology in Melbourne, explained the results, via a power-point presentation, of the Harbour Lake report which his firm has been contracted to do on the possible effects of a major hurricane to the banks of the large lake within that development. He was thanked for "sharing" as the information was very informative.

**06. DISTRICT DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

A. After discussion on the **Miramar Town Center condominium garage spaces**, it was agreed to use the vacant-land assessment rate for the 2007 tax bills per motion by Mr. McCluskey and second by Mr. Goggin, said motion carried by unanimous vote.

**B. Vacation/Variance Requests**

1. Motion to vacate the north and south drainage easements on the **Alonso property** (5305 Southwest 186 Avenue, Southwest Ranches made by Mr. Goggin, seconded by Mr. Ryan and carried unanimously.

2. Motion by Mr. Goggin to approve the vacation of the original surface-water management area on the **Duke property** (5341 Southwest 195 Terrace, Southwest Ranches), second by Mr. Ryan and carried by unanimous vote.
3. Motion by Mrs. Mersinger, second by Mr. Ryan, to approve a 4-foot variance for an existing patio/enclosure that encroaches into a SBDD lake-maintenance easement approved per unanimous vote (this on the **Donowa property** located at 9541 Belaire Drive, Miramar).
4. Motion by Mr. Goggin for approval of a four-foot patio extension into the District's lake-maintenance easement on the **Lamberson property** located at 15620 Roundtable Road, Davie. Second by Mr. Ryan and carried by unanimous vote of those present (Mr. Hodges was absent from the dais).

### **C. Water Craft**

Lengthy discussion ensued on Mr. Jason Wolnek's request for a variance to use an environmental-friendly liquid- fueled boat within the lake at Harbour Lake Estates. After considerable discussion, Mr. Hodges moved to deny the request. Seconded by Mr. Goggin; carried unanimously.

### **D. Approved Board Meeting September & November 2007 Dates**

**September** - Wednesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 A.M.

**November** - Thursday, November 15, 2007, 9:30 A.M.

(A complete list of fiscal-year 2007-2008 will be submitted for approval at the September 26<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.)

### **E. Adopt-A-Canal Program Brochures**

The Adopt-A-Canal Program brochure were discussed. This was a pro-bono effort by the District's Public firm other than for the actual printing cost. Brochures will be provided to the Cities/Towns lying within SBDD boundaries. Mrs. Mersinger suggested that the SBDD Commissioners names be included on the brochures.

### **F. Commissioners Business Cards**

After discussion, it was agreed to hold off ordering new business cards for the Commissioners (due to the title change from Supervisor to Commissioner) until after the upcoming Pembroke Pines election in January 2008.

### **G. FEMA**

The \$4,300,000.00 FEMA funds are still "progressing" through the system. In reference to the Army Corps of Engineers letter, the District is asking that this be redone to satisfy FEMA criteria.

## **7. LEGAL-COUNSEL REPORT**

### **A. Terra Verde Mitigation-Area Agreement/Resolution #2007-14**

This is a standard agreement/resolution which allows the District access to the mitigation area if necessary. Motion by Mr. Ryan for approval, second by Mr. Hodges; carried by unanimous vote.

## **B. Upcoming Legislative Session/Broward County 2007 Tax Bills/Added Fee**

Mr. Bell questioned if any Commissioner had any proposed changes to the District's Charter for the upcoming session. There were none.

Recently, the County realized only 1% (of the long-ago approved 2%) service fee for taxes billed on the annual property-tax bills was being collected. All applicable municipalities were notified that this will be corrected commencing with the 2007 tax bills (1% for the Property Appraiser's office and 1% for the Revenue Collection department). The Board agreed that the additional amount will be utilized from the "Appropriation of Fund Balance" budget line item for the 2007 tax collections and through the applicable budget item thereafter.

There will be a local legislation workshop on November 18<sup>th</sup>. If instructed to do so, Mr. Bell could submit information on code enforcement by the District at that time. It was explained that the Board already has the authority to remove an unpermitted improvement from within a SBDD easement and have the cost for same added to the tax bill for that property.

After further discussion, it was agreed that there is no need for a code authority within SBDD which would just be an added cost to the taxpayers. The District will use the authority it already has to deal with unpermitted encroachment issues.

## **D. Health Insurance & Retirement/Commissioners**

While some municipalities/special districts provide health-insurance coverage for their Board members, previous Supervisors (now Commissioners) were not interested in that benefit. Now there are some who are interested due to the great cost for a private health-insurance plan. Interest has also been expressed regarding Commissioners being included in the District's retirement plan which would be a minimal cost as it is based on a percentage of their monthly stipend.

It was noted that perhaps the one Commissioner who is interested at this time could be included in the group health plan and be responsible for the premium if the coverage is as good as what this Commissioner now has and the cost less.

Mr. Schwartzberg will check and report back to the Board on what the District can do in this area of providing some relief to any interested Board member.

## **08. APPROVAL OF LEGAL BILLS**

Legal bills approved unanimously per motion by Mr. Lanke and second by Mr. Goggin.

## **09. VACANT LAND/SBDD HEADQUARTERS/TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES**

Mr. Ryan questioned if there are any plans to utilize the vacant acreage at the south end of the SBDD headquarters property. Mr. McCluskey responded that he would like to see the "current" headquarters facility/property sold to the Town and the District use those funds to develop the south acreage for a "new" SBDD headquarters.

In response to a question, Mr. Schwartzberg noted the Town will be requesting an extension of its lease due to the lack of funds to construct their Town Hall on Griffin and Dykes Roads.

10. **AESTHETIC CLEANING OF WATER BODIES**

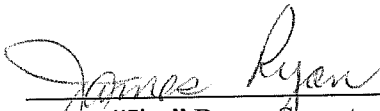
Discussion ensued on cleaning the water bodies within SBDD for aesthetic purposes. Most felt that if the District can get through a year without a major adverse event, this issue can be discussed again. In the meantime, all were asked to consider that possibility.

Mr. Schwartzberg would like to discuss this issue with the Cities/Towns within SBDD boundaries in an effort to get a joint effort underway re: trash in water bodies. A cooperative effort would be good for both parties.

11. **MEETING DATES**

- A. Commission meeting Wednesday, September 26, 2007, 4:30 P.M.
- B. Management Committee (and Final Budget hearing) Tuesday, September 11, 2007,.

12. **Adjournment at 12:05 P.M.**



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James "Jim" Ryan, Secretary  
South Broward Drainage District

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