

**HAINES CITY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE
November 16, 2021**

PRESENT: Chairman Lonnie Large, Vice Chairman Russell Yates, Supervisor Nicholas Gollattscheck, Supervisor Janie Large, Attorney Fred Reilly, Secretary/Treasurer Linda Robinson, Engineer Steve Shealey (Pennoni Associates)

ABSENT: Supervisor Omar Arroyo

GUEST: Sean McCoy

Call to Order and Establish Quorum

Chairman Large called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and confirmed that a quorum was present.

Approve Minutes of Meeting of September 14, 2021

Vice Chairman Russell Yates motioned to approve the Minutes of the meeting of September 14, 2021. Supervisor Gollattscheck seconded. Motion carried with all yeas.

Approve Finance Report dated November 16, 2021

Secretary/Treasurer Robinson reported that as of October 28, 2021, the ending balance in the District's checking account is \$244,903.76. However, checks have been written but have not yet cleared the bank account; therefore, as of November 16, 2021, the available bank balance is \$239,183.76.

Supervisor Gollattscheck motioned to approve the Finance Report, and was seconded by Supervisor Janie Large. Motion carried with all yeas.

General Public Comment (*limited to 5 minutes per person*)

No one from the General Public nor any owners of property within the District were in attendance or made any comments to the Board of Supervisors.

Old Business

Update on Drainage Ditch Maintenance – Chairman Large reported that since the September 14th meeting a payment was made to Amphibious Aquatics in the amount of \$5,220 for maintenance of the drainage ditch. In addition, chemicals were purchased in the amount of \$870.

Engineer Steve Shealey gave an update on SWFWMD Model. Mr. Shealey reported that in taking a look at the preliminary Model it was noted that there were several items that they did not address.

The project engineer indicated that he would take a look at it. A new model should be available by mid-December. Mr. Shealey added that the preliminary model did not give us a lot of room for extra water storage, and also did not take into account all the volume in the RV park. Without a weir, the drainage ditch will never be full.

New Business

It was the consensus of the Board to table discussion concerning expansion of the boundaries of the Haines City Water Control District (HCWCD); cooperative projects with other agencies; and filling vacancies on the Board as they arise. These matters will be brought up at the Annual Landowners Meeting on January 11, 2022.

Supervisors' Comments

Chairman Large told the Board that he and Janie anticipate closing on the sale of their home in mid-January. Once the sale is finalized, he and Janie will no longer own property within the District and, therefore, are prohibited from serving as Supervisors. Several comments were made expressing appreciation for their service to the HCWCD. Chairman Lonnie Large has served as a Supervisor for 10 years, and as Chairman since 2015. Supervisor Janie Large has served on the Board for the past 3 years. They will be missed!

There were no additional comments by the Supervisors.

Attorney's Comments

Attorney Reilly advised that Secretary Robinson received a public records request from Attorney Travis Moore Hearne, whose office is in Tampa. The law firm that Mr. Hearne is associated with represents property owner Tenold. The documents that Mr. Hearne is requesting includes:

1. Copies of HCWCD's operating budgets for the years 2016-2019
2. Board meeting minutes and annual landowners meeting packets for the same years, and
3. Annual Certificates of Levy that HCWCD provides to the Tax Collector for years 2016-2021.

Mr. Reilly advised that pursuant to State statute, Secretary Robinson is permitted to bill the attorney a reasonable fee for her time.

Secretary's Comments

There were no additional comments by the Secretary.

Set Date for Annual Landowners Meeting – The Annual Landowners Meeting is scheduled for January 11, 2022.

Adjourn Meeting – There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Attest:

Linda Robinson

Linda Robinson, Secretary

APPROVED:

Lonnie Large

Lonnie Large, Chairman

