

HAINES CITY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTES OF MEETING

January 11, 2024

Present: Chairman Nicholas Gollattscheck; Vice- Chairman Sean McCoy; Supervisor Kenneth Kip; Supervisor Barbara Riley; Attorney Fred Reilly (via conference call); Secretary/ Treasurer Jazmine Beltran; Engineer Steve Shealey (via conference call); Attorney Mark Lawson (via conference call).

Establish Quorum and Call to Order

Chairman Gollattscheck declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 5:02pm in the training room of the Haines City Police Department located at 35400 Hwy 27 Haines City, FL 33844.

Approval of Minutes for meeting held on October 23, 2023

Supervisor Kenneth Kipp motioned to approved the minutes. Vice-Chairman Sean McCoy seconded to approve the minutes. Motion passed with all yeas.

Approval of Finance report dated November 27,2023

The finance report was submitted by Secretary/ Treasurer Beltran which showed a balance of \$409,239.69 in the district's checking account. Supervisor Kenneth Kipp motioned to approve the financial report. Vice-Charman Sean McCoy seconded to approve the financial report. Motion passed with all yeas.

General Public Comments *(Limited to 5minutes per person)*

There was no one from the general public nor owners of property within the District in attendance.

Old Business

A. Engineer Steve Shealey- Easement key map discussion

Engineer Steve Shealey said there have been 37 parcels identified. He has been able to mail out all letters except for 4. The 4 are owned by Tenold. He says they are making progress. A big one was DOT and may or may not agree to easement but may draft their own.

Attorney Reilly said that two of parcels have said they do not want easements. Said he wants to keep flexibility with their property and may want a licensing agreement for a specific period of time. He said he will get resolution for next board meeting.

Engineer Shealey said this represents a big parcel.

Vice-Chairman McCoy commented that good progress is being made.

Attorney Reilly said he doesn't think they may get a good answer now just like a month ago. The property may want to be annexed into Haines City. Said Steve has had tremendous results in such a short time.

Steve Shealey mentioned to Secretary Beltran the status of an overdue invoice. Secretary Beltran said she will look into it and follow up with Steve.

Chairman Gollattscheck asked about following up with Code Compliance about dumping in the canal. Discussion was held.

Engineer Shealey said DOT pond property had some erosion and they will look into it and try to get it cleaned up.

New Business

Chairman Gollattscheck moved item D. to be the first item so that Attorney Mark Lawson wouldn't have to wait until the end to speak about his item.

D. Discussion by Mark G. Lawson- Legislative update

Attorney Mark Lawson discussed update on legislative bill regarding special districts.

Association of Special districts is working on addressing things.

Supervisor Kipp asked if the board or public that votes on this.

Attorney Lawson answered saying if the public votes there is opportunity County may take over.

Discussion held on topic.

Attorney Reilly said he and Attorney Lawson had talked and that the board have done things to improve drainage and ditches. If change is made in State law, instead of the board making decisions the County will.

Attorney Lawson asked the board if they wanted to authorize he and Attorney Reilly to draft a letter expressing the boards concern.

Vice-Mayor McCoy said that looking through the staff analysis there isn't something to put into place now. May be a good idea to get things started and doesn't see harm in that.

Attorney Lawson said there is a schedule on staff report. He also said he's been updating Fred periodically about legislative bill. He asked the board if they would want to direct the board chairman to work with Fred on letter.

More discussion was held.

Vice-chairman McCoy motioned to authorize Chairman Nick Gollattscheck to work with Attorney Fred Reilly to draft letter for determination of need for HB 7013 for opposing letter. Supervisor Kipp seconded. Motion carried with all yeas.

A. Approve payment for invoice #2023-0930(34) Professional Services for annual roll extension legal work (2023-24) Mark G. Lawson, PA & Ennead, LLC

Vice-Chairman McCoy motion to approve payment for invoice #2023-0930(34). Supervisor Kipp seconded. Motion carried with all yeas.

B. Polk County Property Appraiser 2024 data sharing and usage agreement

Chairman Gollattscheck signed agreement on behalf of the board

C. Schedule date for next landowners annual meeting

Chairman Gollattscheck asked if there was a deadline for landowners annual meeting.

Attorney Reilly said there was no deadline as to when it needs to happen.

Board decided on Monday, February 12, 2024 to have the landowners meeting.

Supervisor Comments

Vice-chairman McCoy expressed his concern regarding the location of the landowners meeting.

Chairman Gollattscheck said the location can be changed to the lobby of the Haines City Public Library.

Supervisor Barbara Reily brought the January Four Corners newspaper to share with the board and discuss what she saw on page 17 regarding a stormwater grant. She asked if they were eligible for this grant.

Discussion was held about how they may qualify for such funding in the future.

Attorney's Comments

Attorney Reilly said that all the discussion had during this meeting was very good.

Secretary's Comments

There were no Secretary comments.

Set date for next meeting

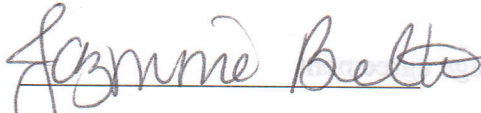
The annual Landowners meeting has been set for Monday, February 12, 2024 and to be held in the lobby of the Haines City Public Library.

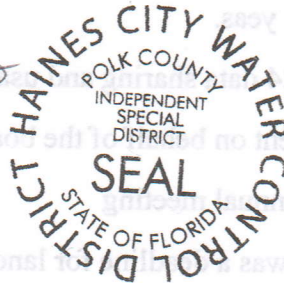
Adjournment

Without any further discussion Chairman Gollattscheck stated that there are no other items in the agenda and adjourned the meeting at 6:01p.m.

Attest:

Approved:


Jazmine Beltran, Secretary




Nick Gollattscheck, Chairman