

MINUTES OF MEETING

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**THE GROVES
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of The Groves Community Development District was held on **Wednesday, November 2, 2005 at 10:15 a.m.** at The Groves Welcome Center located at 7943 Shaddock Place, Land O' Lakes, Florida 34639.

Present and constituting a quorum:

Stephen Brown	Board Supervisor, Vice Chairman
Susan Brown	Board Supervisor, Assistant Secretary
Don Pratt	Board Supervisor, Assistant Secretary
George Schwappach	Board Supervisor, Assistant Secretary

Also present were:

Debby Bayne	District Manager, Rizzetta & Company, Inc.
Nils Hallberg	District Manager, Rizzetta & Company, Inc.
Cheryl Jordan	Representative, Rizzetta & Company, Inc.
Tracy Robin	District Counsel, Straley, Robin & Williams, P.A. <i>(via speaker phone)</i>

Audience

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order

Ms. Bayne called the meeting to order and read the roll call.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Consideration of Minutes of the Board of Supervisors' Meeting on October 5, 2005

Ms. Bayne stated that the next item on the agenda was the consideration of the minutes of the Board of Supervisors' meeting on October 5, 2005. She asked if there were any additions, corrections or deletions to the minutes. There were none.

On a Motion by Mr. Schwappach, seconded by Mr. Pratt, with all in favor, the Board of Supervisors approved the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors' meeting October 5, 2005 for The Groves Community Development District.
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THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

**Consideration of Operation and
Maintenance Expenditures for October**

Ms. Bayne stated that the next item on the agenda was the Operation and Maintenance Expenditures for October that occurred within the District from September 1 through September 30, 2005 totaling \$47,148.35. She asked if there were any questions or comments.

On a Motion by Mr. Pratt, seconded by Mr. Schwappach, with all in favor, the Board of Supervisors approved the Operation and Maintenance Expenditures for October for The Groves Community Development District.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Discussion on Boating Restriction Policy

Ms. Bayne stated that the next item on the agenda was the discussion of establishing a boating restriction policy for the District. Mr. Robin stated that the District can regulate any property it owns in any manner it sees fit. He recommended that the Board consider establishing a policy restricting boats on the lakes rather than going through the process of amending the District rules, due to the amount of time required in the rule process. Following a brief discussion, it was decided to table any Board action to allow Staff to contact the Wilderness Lake Board to determine if they have an existing policy in place that might impact any policy set by The Groves, given the shared ownership of the lake.

On a Motion by Mr. Schwappach, seconded by Mr. S. Brown, with all in favor, the Board of Supervisors tabled the discussion on a boating restriction policy for The Groves Community Development District.

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

**Consideration of Proposals for Planting
along Highway 41**

Ms. Bayne stated that the next item on the agenda was the consideration of proposals from Florida Gardens to plant a buffer zone along Highway 41. Mr. Hallberg briefly reviewed the proposals for the various options provided by Florida Gardens. He noted that the proposal was made in April 2005 and he was unsure if the proposal pricing would still be honored. Following a brief discussion, it was decided to approve both option #1 utilizing three gallon plants at \$6,332.50 and option #2 for \$970.00, providing Florida Gardens would still honor the proposal. District Counsel will review the contract prior to its execution. Ms. Bayne stated that she would bring this item back to the Board for reconsideration, should Florida Gardens not honor the pricing.

On a Motion by Mr. Pratt, seconded by Mr. S. Brown, with all in favor, the Board of Supervisors approved option #1 and option #2 of the Florida Gardens' proposal for planting along Highway 41 (providing the cost remains \$7,302.50) for The Groves Community Development District.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

**Consideration of Petitioning SWFWMD to
Clean Irrigation Ditches at Nectarine Drive**

Ms. Bayne stated that the next item on the agenda was the consideration of a request from residents on Nectarine Place and Cleopatra Drive to clean the irrigation ditches behind their homes. Mr. Pratt updated the Board on his meeting with Mr. Billets from SWFWMD on October 11th. He stated that he, Ms. Bayne, Mr. Hallberg and Mr. Billets walked the areas in question. It was noted that Mr. Billets approved the maintenance request at the Fishing Hole and that American Ecosystems, Inc. began treatment, shortly after receiving the approval from SWFWMD. Mr. Pratt explained that based on his meeting with Mr. Billets, any petition for cleaning the irrigation ditches would need to be made by the District and not the residents, as would any contract for services to complete the work. A brief discussion ensued, but no Board action was taken. Mr. Pratt also stated that he would be meeting with Gina Sowders, Compliance Department at SWFWMD, on November 4th at 2:00 p.m. to review the areas in question again and will report back to the board at the next meeting.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

**Consideration of Retroactive
Compensation**

Ms. Bayne stated that the next item on the agenda was the consideration of retroactive compensation for Board Supervisor Don Pratt. She explained that Rizzetta accounting confirmed that the District has a surplus of approximately \$30,000 as of the end of Fiscal Year 2004/2005. A brief discussion ensued, during which Mr. Pratt stated that he has attended nine meetings during Fiscal Year 2004/2005 and has been compensated for two of them. Mr. S. Brown confirmed that the Board had approved compensation for Mr. Pratt at the time Mr. Pratt was appointed in November 2004. The Board agreed that Mr. Pratt should receive retroactive compensation of \$200 per meeting for the seven meetings he attended and was not compensated for during Fiscal Year 2004/2005.

<p>On a Motion by Mr. Schwappach, seconded by Mr. S. Brown, with all in favor, the Board of Supervisors approved the expenditure of \$1,400 to compensate Mr. Pratt for his attendance at Board meetings since November 2004 for The Groves Community Development District.</p>

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Staff Reports

A. District Counsel
No report.

B. District Engineer
Not present.

C. District Manager

Ms. Bayne stated that the insurance for the District has been updated as per the Chairman's request at the last Board meeting. She also stated that a letter was mailed to Ms. Aubrey explaining that her request for the addition of a second rail at the entrance to the pool was denied by the Board at the last CDD Board meeting.

NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

**Supervisor Requests and Audience
Comments**

Ms. Bayne stated that the next item on the agenda was Supervisor requests and audience comments. Audience comments were entertained but no Board action was taken.

Ms. Bayne asked if there were any Supervisor comments.

Mr. Schwappach asked that a committee be formed to consider hiring a management company to manage all facets of the District, to include the CDD, HOA, and the Golf Course. Mr. Robin stated that while he would be glad to work with the committee in preparing a Request for Qualifications for publication in the newspaper, it is imperative that the Board understand that Florida Statutes require that these entities be kept separate with separate contracts. He stated that it has been his experience with other Districts that he is involved with that finding one company qualified to manage all three entities was unsuccessful and that there are few companies that offer such specialized services. Following a brief discussion, it was decided that Mr. Schwappach would work with District Counsel to prepare the Request for Qualifications.

On a Motion by Mr. Schwappach, seconded by Mr. Pratt, with all in favor, the Board of Supervisors appointed and authorized Mr. Schwappach with the assistance of District Counsel to prepare a Request for Proposal for District Management Services for The Groves Community Development District.

Mr. Pratt stated that he received the information requested from Mr. Bell regarding the specifications of the roadways within the District.

Mr. Pratt expressed his frustration with the number of District Managers the Board has seen over the past few months and requested that Rizzetta & Company appoint one District Manager to the District.

TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Adjournment

Ms. Bayne stated that there was no other business scheduled to come before the Board. She asked for a motion to adjourn at 11:14 a.m.

On a Motion by Mr. Pratt, seconded by Mr. Schwappach, with all in favor, the Board of Supervisors adjourned the meeting for The Groves Community Development District.



Secretary/Assistant Secretary



Chairman/Vice Chairman