# MINUTES OF MEETING THE GROVES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Due to inclement weather the meeting of the Board of Supervisors of The Groves Community Development District scheduled for January 9, 2024 was continued to January 18, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at The Groves Civic Center, 7924 Melogold Circle, Land O' Lakes, Florida.

#### Present and constituting a quorum were:

Bill Boutin Chairman
Richard Loar Vice Chairman
Jimmy Allison Assistant Secretary
Christina Cunningham Assistant Secretary
James Nearey Assistant Secretary

#### Also present were:

Jayna Cooper District Manager

Vivek Babbar District Counsel (Via Telephone)

Stephen Brletic District Engineer
Wendi McAnn Clubhouse Manager

Clint Robinson Assistant Clubhouse Manager

**Audience Members** 

The following is a summary of the discussions and actions taken at the meeting.

#### FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

#### Call to Order/Roll Call

Ms. Cooper called the meeting to order and called the roll. A quorum was established.

#### SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

**Audience Comments** 

Comments were received on the following:

- The Social Club.
- Request for Cleanout of the Cleopatra Rim Ditch.
- Request for a regular schedule for the Shaddock hedges.
- Request for better upkeep of the dog parks.
- Concern about kids trespassing, and a request to waive ballroom rental fee for residents hosting events for other residents.

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#### FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

#### **Staff Reports**

- A. District Counsel
  - i. Discussion of Insurance Requirements
- Mr. Babbar provided the recommendation all clubs posing potential hazards, or risks to the District provide a copy of their insurance certificate naming the District as an additional insured.

On MOTION by Mr. Nearey seconded by Mr. Loar with all in favor, all necessary clubs required to provide a copy of their COI naming the District as additional insured by February 1, 2024, was approved. 5-0

 Mr. Babbar provided updates on proposals on the table in the current legislative session, including the creation of mission statements and an increase to the sovereign immunity waiver limit. Further updates will be provided on these proposals as available.

#### FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

#### **Business Items**

- A. Consideration of Yellowstone Landscape Agreement Addendum No. 1
- **B.** Discussion of Landscape Proposals
  - i. Consideration of Yellowstone Landscape Proposal for Hedge Cutback on Shaddock
- The above items were discussed in conjunction and the Board requested Yellowstone
  Landscape include the Shaddock hedge cutback in the addendum. Ms. Cooper will
  bring a revised addendum back to the Board for consideration at the February
  meeting.
- C. Consideration of Proposal by Steadfast to Remove Two Blockages on the Rim Ditch Behind Cleopatra Homes
- Discussion ensued regarding approving the proposal in its entirety versus approving the cleanout only.

On Motion by Mr. Boutin seconded by Mr. Nearey with all in favor the Steadfast proposal to remove the two blockages on the rim ditch behind Cleopatra homes was approved. 5-0

### D. Ratification of Restaurant Cooler Replacement

Approved 2

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On Motion by Mr. Loar seconded by Mr. Neary with all in favor the Avantco Refrigeration Cooler proposal in the amount of \$1,889 was approved. 5-0

# E. Resolution 2024-04, Granting a License to Use District Lands to the Association and Internet and Cable Companies for Cable Lines

On Motion by Mr. Boutin seconded by Ms. Cunningham with all in favor Resolution 2024-04, granting a license to use District lands to the association and internet and cable companies for cable lines, was adopted.

## F. Discussion Regarding Reclaimed Water Usage

 Discussion ensued regarding reclaimed water information provided by Mr. Colflesh, copies of which are attached hereto and made a part of the public records. There was Board consensus that further discussion and research is needed on this matter at a later date.

#### G. Discussion of Security

 Mr. Loar led a discussion regarding enhancing on site security. Discussion of the trespass agreement ensued, and the Board directed Ms. Cooper to add all five Supervisors as authorized representatives on the trespass agreement. Ms. Cunningham requested a "No Trespassing" sign next to 21202 Diamonte Drive.

#### FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

#### **Staff Reports (Continued)**

#### **B.** District Engineer

Mr. Brletic reported the following:

- He provided an update on update on the bridge work. The first three locations are completed, including inspection. Work will resume in May as originally agreed upon.
- He provided an update on the pool project. It was started one week ahead of schedule.
   The working group will have Teams meetings bi-monthly for updates and to approve change orders.
- Brief discussion ensued about the grill on the pool deck. Ms. McAnn updated the Board that the grill was removed because it was not working, and the gas line had been capped off.
- Ms. Cunningham asked Mr. Brletic to confirm whether equipment will be housed along the right side of the well. Mr. Brletic will review the design and report back.

Approved 3

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#### C. Aquatics Report

• There being no comments, the next item followed.

#### D. Clubhouse Manager

- i. Clubhouse Manager Report
- ii. Restaurant Refurbishment Updates
- Ms. McAnn reviewed the report and provided updates on the status of various projects. Landscaping will be discussed further at February's meeting. Down to Earth and Davey submitted proposals and are ready to mobilize quickly.

#### E. District Manager

There being no further report, the next item followed.

#### SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

#### **Business Administration**

A. Consideration of the December 5, 2023 Meeting Minutes and December 12, 2023 Continued Meeting Minutes

On MOTION by Mr. Allison seconded by Ms. Cunningham with all in favor the minutes of the December 5, 2023 meeting were approved as amended and the December 12, 2023 meeting were approved. 5-0

#### B. Consideration of Financials for October and November 2023

On MOTION by Mr. Boutin seconded by Mr. Nearey with all in favor the financials for October and November 2023 were approved. 5-0

#### **SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

#### **Supervisor Requests**

The following was discussed:

- Ms. Cunnigham inquired about the status of the fifth staff member and whether the
  District was being charged for that staff member. Ms. Cooper confirmed the District
  is not being charged for the fifth staff member and Ms. McAnn and Mr. Robinson are
  actively working on a job description.
- Mr. Boutin updated the Board that "No Trespassing" signs will be replaced with metal signs.
- Mr. Loar requested gate replacement quotes. Mr. Robinson updated the Board notifying them the quotes will be ready for the February meeting. He provided further update on the interest earned with FLCLASS investments since March of 2023, and for the current fiscal year.

Approved

• Mr. Loar updated the Board Inframark opened a MMA account as well, earning 5.25% interest and complemented the Inframark Treasury and Accounting teams.

• Consideration of gate replacement proposals will be on the February 6, 2024 agenda.

# **EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

# Adjournment

On MOTION by Mr. Boutin seconded by Mr. Nearey with all in favor the meeting was adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Secretary

Chairperson