

MINUTES OF MEETING

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**THE GROVES
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

The continued meeting of the Board of Supervisors of The Groves Community Development District was held on Friday, October 15, 2021 at 9:00 a.m., at The Groves Civic Center, located at 7924 Melogold Circle, Land O' Lakes, FL 33637.

Present and constituting a quorum:

Bill Boutin	Board Supervisor, Chairman
Richard Loar	Board Supervisor, Vice Chairman
Jimmy Allison	Board Supervisor, Assistant Secretary (via conference call)
Christina Cunningham	Board Supervisor, Assistant Secretary
James Nearey	Board Supervisor, Assistant Secretary

Also present were:

Gregory Cox	District Manager, Rizzetta & Co, Inc.
Jayna Cooper	District Manager, Rizzetta & Co, Inc.
Stephen Brletic	District Engineer, JMT
Beesan Mustafa	Operations Manager, Rizzetta & Co, Inc.
Kellie Sprauge	Administrative Assistant, Rizzetta & Co, Inc.

Audience: Present

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order

Mr. Greg Cox called the meeting to order and performed roll call, confirming that a quorum was present.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Pledge of Allegiance

All present at the meeting joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

Audience Comments

There were audience members present but no comments were provided to the Board.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**Consideration of Pool resurfacing Proposals**

1. Mr. Brletic opened the discussion with a presentation of his thoughts regarding the proposals that had been submitted and reviewed. He noted the differences between proposals to simply replace various items of equipment that is currently in place versus the proposals to upgrade the equipment to more current technology and higher capabilities. He also noted that there were some current facilities that may need to be modified such as walls to accommodate the install of newer equipment and that this may need to be addressed in the overall work requirements.
2. From multiple Board member comments, the following questions were left to be addressed:
 - a. Is the pool and its equipment capable of continuing basic operation until the January 2023 timeframe so that the pool does not have to be closed during the high use summer months?
 - b. With regard to The Pool Works proposals, what specifically is causing one proposal option to be approximately \$100K more than the other option?
 - c. Can the CDD's tax exempt status be used to acquire materials for the project?
 - d. If the CDD's tax exempt status is utilized, can the vendor's markup of the acquisition be removed?
 - e. How can the District avoid having newly installed equipment from becoming quickly obsolete?
 - f. How quickly is it felt that current equipment will fail, and can its life be extended economically?
 - g. Are the vendors to provide training for new equipment and technology that is installed?
 - h. What are the differences between the types of water heaters that are proposed?
3. The Board discussed the issue of how the total cost of the project may exceed the acquisition threshold of \$195,000 that would trigger the requirement for a formal Request for Proposals (RFP) process.
4. Mr. Cox suggested that the Board consider using a service that specializes in aquatic systems design and who can assist with the assessment of the current equipment and help create a specific scope of work that can be used in a formal RFP so that proposals address the specific needs of the District. Mr. Cox noted that he had worked with one based in Orlando and could contact them to determine if they were available.

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**Adjournment**

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On a motion from Mr. Loar, seconded by Mr. Nearey, the Board unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 11:03 a.m. for The Groves Community Development District

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Secretary/Assistant Secretary


Chairman/Vice Chairman