

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

Each person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting is advised that person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

**THE GROVES  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of The Groves Community Development District was held on **Tuesday, December 1, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.** at The Groves Civic Center, located at 7924 Melogold Circle, Land O' Lakes, Florida 34637.

Present and constituting a quorum:

Steve Simon	<b>Board Supervisor, Chairman</b>
Wayne Coe	<b>Board Supervisor, Vice Chairman</b>
Bill Boutin	<b>Board Supervisor, Assistant Secretary</b>
Richard Loar	<b>Board Supervisor, Assistant Secretary</b>
Sally Semple	<b>Board Supervisor, Assistant Secretary</b>

Also present were:

Matthew Huber	<b>District Manager, Rizzetta &amp; Company, Inc.</b>
John Vericker	<b>District Counsel, Straley &amp; Robin</b>
David Bell	<b>District Engineer, Landmark Engineering</b>
Rich Unger	<b>Operations Manager</b>

Audience	<b>Present</b>
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**FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**

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

Mr. Simon led all those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Audience Comments**

Mr. Tudela inquired about the land behind his home. Mr. Bell commented that the land that slopes off of Mr. Tudela's property is CDD property. Mr. Tudela is concerned about his pool which is near that slope. Mr. Bell stated that this land will be monitored. Mr. Tudela requests something in writing that determines when something should be done. He feels this is a reasonable request that shouldn't cost the Board too much money to provide. Mr. Bell stated, "We can look at it and take additional steps to look at the slope. Yes, it appears that the slope has sloughed a little bit. Which means that over time, I know some vehicles use that back area to get through. It's compressed a little bit more which makes the slope look a little bit different. Have I seen anything that says that it's falling away from the property, I haven't seen that. I am not a

51 Geotechnical Engineer, we do have one on contract that we could get if it deemed possible and  
52 we've seen in a lot of ponds and this happens in a lot of areas and it doesn't seem out of the  
53 ordinary. If something did occur and I know people are driving I believe, -not anymore- But we  
54 will continue to look at it and if we see any change then we would address it."  
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56 Mr. Tudela stated that the lawnmowers are driving on it. "I think there should be some  
57 kind of grading manual on what degree what angle there are so many feet from the house."  
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59 Mr. Simon stated that what Mr. Tudela is looking for doesn't appear to exist. The Board  
60 members all agreed.  
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62 Mr. Tudela disagrees with the Engineer's opinion. He feels that there is a drastic change  
63 from when he bought the house. He wanted this captured in the minutes. His other concern was  
64 with the landscaper. They are breaking the tree rings he put down on the trees. Mr. Unger will  
65 speak to Austin Outdoor.  
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67 **THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS** **Consideration of Minutes of the Board of**  
68 **Supervisors' Regular Meeting held on**  
69 **November 5, 2015**  
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71 Mr. Loar noted the article on ponds in Pinellas County (line #120), and inquired about the  
72 costs associated with it.

On a Motion by Mr. Boutin, seconded by Ms. Semple, followed by a vote of all in favor, the Board of Supervisors' approved the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 5, 2015 as amended for The Groves Community Development District.

73 **FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS** **Acknowledgement of Receipt of Operation**  
74 **and Maintenance Expenditures for**  
75 **September 2015**  
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78 Mr. Huber presented the expenditures for the Board's review. Mr. Boutin inquired about the  
79 HVAC replacement, as well as the RASI deposit. Mr. Coe commented on the electrical building  
80 repairs. Mr. Loar commented on that the LED lights in the sign were 240 volts. Mr. Unger stated  
81 that District staff did the work.

On a Motion by Mr. Boutin, seconded by Mr. Loar, followed by a vote of all in favor, the Board of Supervisors' received and filed the October 1-31, 2015 Operation & Maintenance Expenditures in the amount of \$92,804.80 as presented for The Groves Community Development District.

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90 **FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS** **Update on Melogold Litigation**

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Mr. Boutin presented his update to the Board, noting a settlement amount of \$350,000.

On a Motion by Mr. Boutin, seconded by Mr. Loar, followed by a vote of all in favor, the Board of Supervisors' ratified and accepted the funds from the Melogold settlement in the amount of \$350,000.00 for The Groves Community Development District.

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**SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Consideration of On-Site Staff Salary  
Increases**

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Mr. Huber presented to the Board what 5%, 7% and 10% would amount to for the salary increases. The Board decided on a 7% salary increase for the three staff members.

On a Motion by Mr. Coe, seconded by Ms. Semple, followed by a vote of all in favor, the Board of Supervisors' approved a 7% salary increase for on-site staff members for The Groves Community Development District.

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**SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Staff Reports**

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A. District Counsel

There were no further updates from Counsel.

B. District Engineer

Mr. Bell presented an update on Ruby Red Way. Additional proposals are needed and will be obtained for the January 12, 2016 CDD meeting.

The Roadway Report will be reviewed at the January 12, 2016 CDD meeting. A representative from Faulkner Engineering will be in attendance.

C. Clubhouse Manager

1. Review of Monthly Report

Mr. Unger provided minor updates regarding Clubhouse matters. The Shuffle Board court is completed. A meeting will take place to set up various leagues. Benches for the courts are being constructed with covers on them, as well as hooks to hang the players' belongings. It was noted that the CDD Holiday Party will be held on Saturday December 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 pm. The sign at the back gate stating that non-residents have to use the front entrance will be put up soon. Residents have given positive feedback for the Christmas lights at the entrance.

D. District Manager

Mr. Huber noted the next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at The Groves Clubhouse, located at 7924 Melogold Circle, Land O' Lakes, Florida 34637.

Mr. Huber will continue to obtain aquatic proposals to be discussed at the January 12, 2016 CDD meeting.

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**EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Supervisor Comments**

Mr. Loar requested lighting at the entrance for the golf course sign.

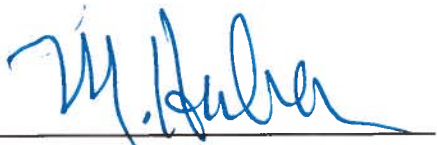
Mr. Coe provided a PACA update, as well as the front entry update. He is working with the owner of the Retail Plaza. He would like a discussion on the LED gates to be placed on the January agenda.

Mr. Simon commented on the traffic and speeding in the community.

**NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Adjournment**

On a Motion by Mr. Loar, seconded by Mr. Boutin, and followed by a vote of all in favor, the Board of Supervisors adjourned the meeting at 11:20 a.m. for The Groves Community Development District.

  
Secretary/Assistant Secretary

  
Chairman/Vice Chairman