
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, March 6, 2012 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:

Dave Colflesh	Board Supervisor, Chairman
Jane Thompson	Board Supervisor, Vice Chairman
Don Osborn	Board Supervisor, Assistant Secretary
Sally Semple	Board Supervisor, Assistant Secretary
Mike Hicks	Board Supervisor, Assistant Secretary

Also present were:

Matthew Huber	District Manager, Rizzetta & Company, Inc.
Nils Hallberg	Operations Manager, Rizzetta & Company, Inc.
John Vericker	District Counsel, Straley & Robin
David Bell	District Engineer, Landmark Engineering
Kelly Evans	Representative, Rizzetta Amenity Services

Audience

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

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

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

Mr. Colflesh asked the Board members if they had any additional items for the agenda. There were none. Mr. Huber suggested changing the order of the meeting agenda. He stated that Nils Hallberg was present to address the landscape maintenance scope of services. Mr. Huber stated that he would like to move his presentation up in the agenda. There were no objections.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Discussion Regarding Draft Landscape Maintenance Scope of Services

Mr. Huber stated that Nils Hallberg was present at the meeting to review and discuss the landscape maintenance scope of services. Mr. Hallberg reviewed the changes to the draft landscape maintenance scope of services. Mr. Huber and Mr. Hallberg reviewed the bid process for the Board. Mr. Huber and Mr. Hallberg entertained the Board member's questions. The Board members submitted a few changes to the scope of services.

Mr. Huber asked for a motion to approve the landscape maintenance scope of services as amended and authorize District Staff to proceed with the invitation to bid with the intention of having the proposals back for the Board's review and approval at their April meeting.

On a Motion by Mr. Colflesh, seconded by Mr. Hicks, and followed by a vote of all in favor, the Board of Supervisors approved the Landscape Scope of Services as amended and authorized District staff to proceed with the invitation to bid for The Groves Community Development District.

A brief discussion ensued regarding coordinating the landscape maintenance bid with the HOA, the bid protest process, and giving the current landscape contractor notice of termination.

Mr. Hallberg entertained the Board members questions regarding the current landscaping maintenance and the field inspection report.

(Mr. Hallberg left the meeting in progress)

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

Consideration of Minutes of the Board of Supervisors' Meeting held on February 7, 2012

On a Motion by Ms. Semple, seconded by Ms. Thompson, and followed by a vote of all in favor, the Board of Supervisors approved the minutes of the Board of Supervisors' meeting held on February 7, 2012 as presented for The Groves Community Development District.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Presentation of Operation and Maintenance Expenditures for January 2012

The Board of Supervisors reviewed the expenditures. A brief discussion ensued regarding various invoices and the services they represent. Mr. Colflesh accepted the expenditures as presented.

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Discussion Regarding Adopt-a-Tree Program

Mr. Hicks gave the Board an update on the Adopt-a-Tree program. He stated that they are currently working on an application form for the residents to use. Mr. Hicks reviewed the application form for the Board. He stated that they hoped to have it finished by the end of the month. Mr. Hicks stated that they would need a waiver of liability for anyone who is planting on District property. He stated that they are working on the guidelines for the distance between the trees, a realistic commitment from the residents, and a planting season for the different trees. Discussion ensued regarding resident donations of trees and money, the care of donated seedlings, and citrus trees. The Board entertained audience member's comments.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Update Regarding Grant Applications

Mr. Colflesh gave the Board an update on the grant applications. He stated that three applications have been submitted and received by three different organizations. Mr. Colflesh stated that the first grant was to Home Depot in the amount of \$5,000 for tree restoration, the second grant was to Lowes in the amount of \$10,000 for tree restoration, and the third grant was to State Farm in the amount of \$25,000 for sidewalk safety issues. He stated that a fourth grant was not applied for as he ran out of time and the grant application was extremely involved. Mr. Colflesh stated that it was a community impact grant for \$10,000 for trees from the Urban Forest Grant. He recommended that he and Ms. Pounds plan to apply for the Urban Forest Grant for next year. Mr. Colflesh stated that he should receive notification on the award of the grants in 60 to 90 days. Ms. Semple thanked Mr. Colflesh for all of his hard work for the community in applying for the grants.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Discussion Regarding Bridge Repairs

Mr. Colflesh stated that the last item for discussion was the bridge repairs. He gave a brief history on the community bridges and their issues. Mr. Huber stated that he spoke with John York from York Bridge Concepts, the original contractor for the bridges. He stated that Mr. York has come up with an alternative to replacing the existing pressure treated wear decking with a composite wear decking. Mr. Huber stated that it drives up the cost substantially. He stated the cost for Bridge #13 was \$63,500 and the cost for Bridge #18 was \$16,800. Mr. Huber stated that it was time for the Board to look at all of the bridges within the community and decide if they just want to keep repairing the bridges as they wear out. Discussion ensued. Mr. Colflesh suggested that the District try an experiment on Bridge #13. He stated that for \$400 they could buy 16ft. sections of the Trex wear deck and put it in the middle of the bridge to test the wear on the new product compared to the wood product that they presently have. Mr. Colflesh stated that the District has only spent \$2,800 on the purchase of wood products for the wear decking and the heavy timber on Bridge #1 and approximately \$600 on screws. Mr. Hicks recommended obtaining opinions from other bridge contractors. Mr. Huber stated that he contacted other bridge contractors and they were not interested in touching someone else's work. He stated that he would continue to endeavor to find other construction companies that would be interested in doing work on the bridges. Mr. Colflesh stated that the boards in the middle of the bridge are wearing much faster than the boards on the rest of the bridge.

Mr. Bell stated that he is not sure that York Bridge Concepts did all of the bridges in The Groves. He stated that they are a nationally recognized bridge builder. Mr. Bell stated that there are other options for the bridge materials. He stated that wood is going to decay. Mr. Bell stated that he had recommended having Warlick Engineering, a structural engineer; examine the bridges as it is not part of his expertise. He stated that he thought it was a good idea to try the Trex product on a section of the bridge to see how it wears. Discussion ensued regarding trying the Trex product. Mr. Huber stated that the Board needed to decide if they wanted to do a major overhaul of the bridges or continue with maintenance to get by. Discussion continued regarding the options for the repair of the bridges. Mr. Huber stated that he could go with the Board's recommendation to move forward with Warlick Engineering's scope and have the bridge contractors come in and look at Warlick's recommendations and put together a preventative maintenance package that treats, preserves, repairs, and replaces any of the items recommended in Warlick's report. Mr. Osborn stated that he would be very much against spending \$400 to put anything down on the bridge. He stated he would be in favor of going out and getting an engineer to tell the board what they should do rather than the board making a decision on their own. Mr. Osborn stated that he also thought that they should follow the engineer's report regarding the treatment of the bridges. Mr. Huber stated that he could go back to Warlick and ask them what it would cost for them to come back out and take a look at the bridges and prepare a revised report for the Board on the current status of the bridges with recommendations for ongoing maintenance. The Board members directed Mr. Huber to do this. The Board entertained audience comments. Ms. Pounds recommended that Mr. Huber look into the decking that marinas use.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Staff Reports

A. District Counsel
No report.

B. District Engineer
Mr. Bell reviewed the items that were completed the past month. He stated that G.A. Nichols completed the sidewalk repairs along Melogold Circle and the ADA required connections. He stated that there was some concern about oil dripping from a vehicle and he received word that they would be out today to rectify the situation. Mr. Bell stated that last month a discussion was held on the separation of sidewalk at the Cleopatra Drive cul-de-sac and G.A. Nichols had submitted a bid with an approximate cost of \$6000 to remove the existing sidewalk and put down some base and a thicker sidewalk due to the parking of vehicles on the sidewalk. He stated that this is what has caused the sidewalk to separate from the curb. Mr. Bell stated that he had spoken to Pasco County regarding the complete removal of the sidewalk and the County stated that it would be possible but the District would have to go through a plan revision and an administrative waiver and there is no guarantee that it would be approved. He stated that he thought the best option was to move forward and replace the sidewalk. Discussion ensued regarding the residents parking on the sidewalk and possibly placing bollards around the sidewalk. Ms. Semple stated that she thought that the sidewalk should be replaced on the condition that Mr. Huber can have bollards placed in the area. Discussion ensued. Mr. Bell stated that he would get an cost on the option to change the curbing to an "F curb" instead of the existing "Miami curb".

The Board made the decision to close the sidewalk and put up a barricade to prevent a safety issue. Mr. Vericker entertained the audience member's questions regarding the legal options as to the cars parking on the sidewalk.

C. Clubhouse Manager

Ms. Evans gave the Board an update on completed and ongoing items for the Board. She entertained the Board member's questions.

D. District Manager

Mr. Huber stated that the next regularly scheduled meeting was April 3, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Supervisor Requests and Audience Comments

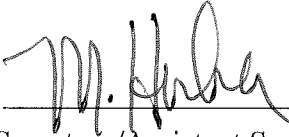
Mr. Huber asked if there were any Supervisor requests. Mr. Osborn asked Mr. Huber to review the procedures for any residents that wanted to run for a seat on the Board at the upcoming election. Mr. Huber stated that the easiest way to obtain the election information was to go online to pascovotes.com.

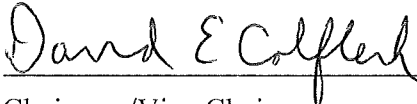
The Board entertained audience comments regarding speeding in the community, lighting the pool after dark, and a request for a history of projects done in the community. No further Board action was taken. Mr. Huber asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Adjournment

On a Motion by Ms. Semple, seconded by Mr. Colflesh, and followed by a vote of all in favor, the Board of Supervisors adjourned the meeting at 12:03 p.m. for The Groves Community Development District.


Secretary/Assistant Secretary


Chairman/Vice Chairman