

**ANNUAL LANDOWNERS MEETING OF THE SAN CARLOS ESTATES WATER
CONTROL DISTRICT
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2021
6:05 P. M.
TOWNPLACE SUITES, 23161 VIA COCONUT POINT. ESTERO, FL 33928**

1. Call Meeting to Order: Judy Tapply (Judy) called the meeting to order at 6:15 pm and turned the Election Procedures over to Attorney Richard Pringle. There were 30 guests.
2. Procedures: Mr. Pringle described the law and process for the meeting. Chapter 298 governs the Annual Landowners Meeting process and 298.11 describes the meeting process and how it occurs generally speaking. Per 298 Florida Statutes the Landowners Meeting was duly advertised in the News Press.
3. Election of Chair and Secretary for Annual Meeting: A motion was made to nominate Judy Tapply to act as Chair for the Annual Meeting which was seconded and unanimously approved by the congregation of attendees. A motion and second was made to nominate Chris Lawson as Secretary for the Annual Meeting. Call to vote and it was unanimously approved.
4. Elect One Supervisor – one Supervisor position is open for a 3-year term currently held by Judy Tapply. Mr. Pringle described how with the Board's permission, someone interested in being nominated could announce their interest and put information on the website when queried how would landowners know who was interested and their qualifications.

Judy Tapply introduced Jennifer Finazzo. Jennifer, an eighteen-year resident, discussed her reasons for wanting to run and to become more involved in the community. She fielded questions from the floor.

Judy Tapply introduced herself, a nineteen-year resident, and discussed her history with the District and the HOA (no longer active) before and after coming on the Board. She fielded questions from the floor.

5. Receive engineer's Report – Bill Morris presented the annual report to the audience. (Annual report attached.)
6. Approval of Salary – A Motion was made to approve a monthly Supervisor salary of \$50 per month and seconded. The Motion was put to a vote and Motion passed unanimously without opposition.
7. Public Input and Questions –
 - A member of the audience raised the question about the public awareness of the annual meeting, persons interested in being nominated and finding about who the nominees are. Many echoed the same sentiment that the Board was not doing enough to inform the landowners on District happenings. Allan Berube offered to pay for a mailing to the landowners. Brad Gallagher offered to purchase lawn signs for the annual meeting and put one by the sign and one by the gate.

- The question was raised if the election could be postponed for another month. Mr. Pringle responded that the current meeting could be continued to a date specific with the proper notices published.
 - The validity of existing proxy(ies): Any proxy already granted would still be valid but could be rescinded at the registration or any time in between. Any ballots cast at the meeting are void because the election did not take place.
 - Dena Wilcoxon asked if the ballot or proxy would be included in the mailing. Mr. Pringle responded that the mailing's contents would be decided by the Board.
 - Question on meeting frequency: the third Tuesday of every month except June and December, at 6:00 PM at the Townplace Suites, 23161 Via Coconut Point, Estero, FL 33928. The Minutes are posted on the website (scewcd.blogspot.com). Judy described the duties and responsibilities of the District.
 - Road flooding: Several residents from different streets complained about road flooding. Judy responded that the road project 20 years ago was not intended to be a total reconstruction of every road and swale but to make improvements where they were most needed. Many roads flood during a heavy rain but are typically cleared within 24 hours. Judy reiterated that our water system works. A resident commented that the roads are not crested in the center which is part of the flooding problem. He hopes that with the next road works project, these comments would be noted so that corrective actions can be taken. Judy responded that as with any big project, there will be many meetings discussing the road work and it had been decided to begin these discussions in the Spring of 2022.
 - Culvert inspections: A resident queried how the Engineers assess culvert maintenance. Bill Morris explained the process for ongoing culvert maintenance and other corrective actions needed in the District.
 - Supervisor Jim Bradford queried about who was the party responsible for the prior road project and the resulting defects. Bill Morris explained that Aim Engineering was hired by the Board at the time to conduct the construction engineering inspection and provided an example where there was an incidence that Aim and Phoenix had to pay for the repairs.
8. Continuance of Annual Landowners Meeting – a Motion was made to continue the Annual Landowners meeting to October 19, 2021, at 6:00 PM at this location for the purpose of completing the Agenda which is for the election of one Supervisor and the administration of the Oath of Office to that one Supervisor by Judy and seconded. All in favor? Aye. All opposed? No opposition.

Annual Engineer's Report
San Carlos Estates Water Control District
Submitted September 21, 2021

District Operation and Permit Compliance

San Carlos Estates Water Control District (SCEWCD) has successfully operated for the past year with no significant infrastructure failures or operational violations construed by the NPDES permit.

SCEWCD continues to operate as a co-permittee with Lee County and other local governments under the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit. The Year 4 of the 4th Cycle Annual Report will be submitted next month.

Based on FDEP approval of the MS4 Annual Report, and on routine inspections of the District, SCEWCD appears to be in general compliance with all permits subject to routine maintenance.

Infrastructure Maintenance

Regular scheduled maintenance was performed this past year as required by the NPDES permit. The completed scheduled maintenance for the following items as indicated in more detail in the Year 4, Cycle 4 MS4 Annual Report:

1. Swales: 23.06 miles total, approximately 50% (11.20 miles) were inspected with 2 instances of maintenance activities performed
2. Inlets/Catch Basins/Grates: 96 total, approximately 7% (7 total) were inspected with no instances of formal maintenance activity performed
3. Pipes: 635 total, approximately 17% (111 pipes) were inspected and 102 instances of maintenance to be performed
4. Perimeter Canals: 5.6 miles total, 100% inspected with 1 significant instance of maintenance activities required/performed
5. Roadways: Litter information was not available at the time of the Annual Meeting to report but will be provided with the Annual MS4 report to FDEP.

All inspections were required, and subsequent maintenance activities meets or exceeds the minimum requirements of the MS4 permit.

Permits Issued

Since the monthly board meeting, SCEWCD issued 0 permits for improvements in District ROWs by property owners within the District. Additionally, 1 permit application was successfully closed out. The remaining open permits are in various stages of completion. Below is a brief summary of the year over year statistics for ROW permitting within the SCE.

State of Permit Completion	Previous Year Permitting	Current Year Permitting	Net Change Year Over Year
Issued	25	39	+14
Closed	19	21	+2

Water Control Plan

I have reviewed the information above along with the current Water Control Plan dated, April 18, 2005 as adopted by the SCEWCD Board of Supervisors. The plan remains in effect as adopted.

Faithfully submitted,

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District Engineer

On behalf of Morris-Depew Associates, Inc. – FL CA 6532