

Minutes of April 12, 2018
Workshop Meeting of Supervisors of
The Central Charlotte County Drainage District

The Workshop Meeting of Supervisors of The Central Charlotte County Drainage District was held on Thursday, April 12, 2018, at the Charlotte County Public Works Building, 7000 Florida Street, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950. Mr. Robert "Bucky" McQueen, President of the District, called the Meeting to order at 2:00 o'clock p.m. It was determined that a quorum of the Supervisors were present as follows: David Anthony, Carol M. Nevling, and Robert "Bucky" McQueen. Also present at the meeting were Judy Uhland, Secretary/Treasurer and Edward L. Wotitzky, Esq., attorney for the District.

Due and proper Notice of the Meeting was established. Attached to these Minutes is the Publisher's Affidavit of Publication of the Notice of the Meeting, verifying the Notice was published on March 23rd and March 30, 2018.

Tara Musselman, Operations Supervisor of the Charlotte County Public County Works Department, was present at the Meeting. Ms. Musselman reviewed the scope of work of the South County Storm Water District. She also reviewed the primary ditches of the South County Storm Water unit and also the ditches currently being maintained by the County. Attached to these Minutes are graphic depictions of the primary ditches and maintained primary ditches of the South County Storm Water District. Ms. Musselman answered a number of questions posed by the Supervisors. She noted many problems are being encountered with respect to the maintenance of ditches and roads in the area of the Charlotte Ranchettes.

Mr. David Anthony then reported on his efforts to obtain bids for cleaning the ditches in Section 2 referenced as the alpha, bravo and charlie ditches on the aerial photograph which is attached to these Minutes. He reviewed the bids which were received from Aquatic Consulting, Inc., Greentopps Landscape Maintenance and Tree Services and another bid which was in the process of being received. The Supervisors then discussed various issues and problems which the contractor for the work would encounter in connection with accessing the ditches. Those problems primarily relate to the location of fences and access rights which could inhibit performance of the work.

Mr. Anthony expects all of the prices to be based on a linear foot basis. After further discussion it was determined that a portion of the alpha and bravo ditches would be contracted for clearing initially for the purpose of establishing to other owners of land in the District the advantages of maintaining and clearing the ditches.

Ms. Judy Uhland then gave a brief report regarding the funds available for the work. She advised that the District currently has on deposit approximately \$35,000.00 in reserve, and recommended that no more than \$20,000.00 of the reserve fund be utilized initially for the ditch clearing project. After further discussion, and on Motion duly made, and unanimously carried it was

RESOLVED to proceed with the clearing of a portion of the alpha and bravo ditches, and to approve the proposals submitted by the three (3) contractors who had submitted bids, with the final determination of the contractor and bid to be determined by Vice President of the District, Mr. David Anthony. It was further

RESOLVED that any contract entered with the accepted contractor be limited to a maximum expenditure of \$15,000.00.

The attorney for the District then explained some of the issues and concerns regarding easement rights over the ditches and access to same. To assure proper access and constitution of the ditches, it was recommended that efforts be made to obtain temporary and permanent easements over the ditches and property necessary to obtain access to same.

There being no further business before the Supervisors, the meeting was, on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Uhland, Secretary

Approved:

Robert "Bucky" McQueen, President