## MINUTES OF JUNE 13, 2024 ANNUAL MEETING OF LANDOWNERS AND SUPERVISORS OF THE CENTRAL CHARLOTTE COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT

The Annual Meeting of Landowners and Supervisors of the Central Charlotte County Drainage District was held on Thursday, June 13, 2024. The meeting was held at the Charlotte County Public Works building conference room, 7000 Florida Street, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950.

The meeting was called to order by the President of the District, Mr. Vincent Boccio, at approximately 2:00 p.m. Roll was taken, and it was determined that all supervisors and a quorum of landowners were present. The landowners and supervisors who were present at the Meeting included David Anthony, Vincent Boccio, and Carol M. Nevling. Also present at the Meeting were the District's secretary/treasurer, Ms. Judy Uhland and the District's attorney Edward L. Wotitzky. A number of owners of property in the suspended Charlotte Ranchettes MSBU were also present as follows: Bill Faris, David Kalin, Jr., David Kalin, Sr., and Mark Sawaryn.

Due and proper notice of the meeting was established. Attached to these Minutes is the Publisher's Affidavit of Publication confirming the Notice of Meeting was published on May 24, 2024 and May 31, 2024, in The Daily Sun newspaper.

The supervisors then considered minutes of prior meetings. The minutes of the June 15, 2023 annual meeting of landowners and supervisors were considered. On motion made by David Anthony, seconded by Vincent Boccio, and unanimously carried, the minutes were approved as submitted. The minutes of the December 7, 2023 workshop meeting of supervisors were then considered. On motion made by David Anthony, seconded by Vincent Boccio, and unanimously carried, the minutes were approved as submitted.

The landowners then proceeded to elect one supervisor to take the position currently held by Mr. David Anthony. That position will expire on September 30, 2024.

Mr. Ray Whiteman was nominated to serve a three-year term commencing October 1, 2024. There were no other nominations, and on motion made by David Anthony, seconded by Carol Nevling, and unanimously carried, Ray Whiteman was elected to serve as a supervisor of the District for a three-year term commencing October 1, 2024, provided he accepts the said position. In the event he decides not to accept the position, a special election will be held at the planned August 2024 meeting.

As a result of the election, the following individuals constitute supervisors of the District for the noted terms:

<u>Name of Supervisor</u>	<b>Date of Term Expiration</b>
Vincent Boccio	September 30, 2025
Carol M. Nevling	September 30, 2026
Ray Whiteman	September 30, 2027

The supervisors then elected officers for terms commencing on October 1, 2024. On motion made by David Anthony, seconded by Carol M. Nevling, and unanimously carried, the following individuals were elected to the noted offices:

President Vice President Secretary/Treasurer Vincent Boccio Carol M. Nevling Judy Uhland

The financial statements for fiscal year ending September 30, 2023, as provided to the Chief Financial Officer of the State of Florida were then discussed. After discussion, and on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the financial report was approved as submitted.

The bank statements and financial statements for the District for the period ending May 30, 2024 were then reviewed. A copy of the said financial statements are attached to these minutes.

The proposed budget for fiscal year commencing October 1, 2024, was then reviewed. A copy of the proposed budget is attached to these Minutes. The proposed budget contemplates revenues based on an annual assessment of \$20.00 per acre. The administrative expenses are proposed to increase due to additional workloads and an increase in the amount remunerated to the Secretary/Treasurer. After further discussion, and on motion made by Carol Nevling, seconded by David Anthony, and unanimously carried it was,

RESOLVED, that the proposed budget, a copy of which is attached to these Minutes, for fiscal year commencing October 1, 2024, is approved and adopted. It was further,

RESOLVED, that assessments shall be levied at the rate of \$20 per acre for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2024 and the assessment roll as presented was approved.

The supervisors then discussed the proposal to increase the maximum assessment amount from \$20.00 to \$50.00. The supervisors engaged in a discussion with the owners of property in the suspended Charlotte Ranchette MSBU regarding a request that the property which was removed from the jurisdiction of the Drainage District and brought under the auspices of the Charlotte Ranchettes MSBU be brought back in to the Central Charlotte County Drainage District. Mr. Kalin advised that the addition of the property would add revenues, and the drainage and water control could be supplemented and enhanced for all properties. Mr. Mark Sawaryn, a retired engineer, gave a report concerning the status of ditches and culverts in the suspended MSBU. The gentlemen present at the meeting also noted the property is within the South Charlotte Stormwater Management District. Communication with that District, however, did not result in a satisfactory program to fix current drainage problems. Mr. Kalin indicated the ditches in the suspended MSBU area are not in bad shape, and that the five (5) year plan which was proposed has been working; however, the concern is that additional work to maintain the water control structures and drainage would be enhanced by the properties being added to the Central Charlotte County Drainage District and allow various recourses as set forth in Chapter 298 of the Florida Statutes.

Another of the owners indicated that the maximum assessment or the ceiling for assessments in the District should be raised to \$100.00 instead of \$50.00. He noted that the annual assessment for the MSBU, prior to its suspension, was greater than that amount.

After much further discussion, and on motion made by Vincent Boccio, seconded by David Anthony, and unanimously carried, it was,

RESOLVED, to initiate the procedure to increase the maximum assessment amount from \$20.00 to \$100.00 through the uniform method of collecting the assessments.

In anticipation of the meeting of supervisors to consider the increase in the ceiling amount of assessments, the supervisors determined that certain information should be available. In these regards, the length of ditches, the cost to clear and maintain ditches, and the cost to replace the existing culverts should be considered.

Provided a room is available, the meeting of supervisors to consider the increase in the maximum assessment level will be held on August 22, 2024. The attorney for the District was authorized to prepare meeting notices and other documents for the purpose of scheduling said meeting.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Uhland, Secretary

Approved:

Vincent Boccio, President

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