

**MINUTES OF MEETING
RIVER RIDGE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

The Board of Supervisors of the River Ridge Community Development District held a Regular Meeting on December 10, 2019 at 1:00 p.m., in the Sound Room at the River Club Conference Center (Second Floor of Fitness Center), 4784 Pelican Sound Boulevard, Estero, Florida 33928.

Present at the meeting were:

Bob Schultz	Chair
Terry Mountford	Vice Chair
Larry Fiesel	Assistant Secretary
James Gilman	Assistant Secretary
Kurt Blumenthal	Assistant Secretary

Also present were:

Chuck Adams	District Manager
Cleo Adams	Assistant Regional Manager
Tony Pires	District Counsel
Charlie Krebs	District Engineer
Eric Long	PSGRC General Manager
Jim Dougherty	SOLitude Lake Management
Neil Severance	Resident/PSGRC Board President
Christopher Spalding	Resident/Member of PSGRC Traffic Calming Committee

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order/Roll Call

Mrs. Adams called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. All Supervisors were present, in person.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Public Comments: Agenda Items (5 minutes per speaker)

Mr. Neil Severance, a resident and PSGRC Board President, expressed his opinion that the spike grass in front of very shallow areas, such as Lake 9, was filling in too much. Discussion ensued regarding South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) requirements for

mitigation and conservation areas and previous mandates to replant and monitor that area. Staff would research the requirements to determine what could be done aesthetically within the SFWMD guidelines for Tract 10.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

Updates: SOLitude Lake Management

Mr. Dougherty reported the following:

- Lake H1-A was still being treated for chara. Some of the plants would be chopped, via boats, so the algae could be treated.
- The nano-bubbler in Lake H1-A was working well.
- Lake H1-B was still being treated for slender spikerush and algae. The nano-bubbler was not working at 100%; the intakes would be cleaned.
- Lake E4-A had new algae on the north end, which would be treated.
- The Island Sound Lake nano-bubbler was working properly but the lake still had an unattractive brown appearance.

Discussion ensued regarding cost and longevity of treatments; the Island Sound Lake would be treated before the holidays and longevity would be monitored.

▪ **Discussion: Stop Sign at Pelican Sound Boulevard and Pelican Sound Drive**

This item was an addition to the agenda.

Mr. Schultz recalled that, at the last meeting, two residents expressed their opinion that a three-way stop sign was needed at Pelican Sound Boulevard and Pelican Sound Drive and Mr. Krebs inspected the intersection.

Mr. Krebs stated his understanding was the residents were concerned about speeding on Pelican Sound Boulevard but, according to the Manual for Uniform Traffic Control Devices, stop signs are not effective in regulating speed; therefore, a stop sign would not be justified in this case. A stop sign was previously considered for that intersection but the proximity to the cul-de-sac would not allow enough roadway to adequately warn drivers of an upcoming stop. A stop sign could be justified at an accident prone intersection. Discussion ensued regarding one incident at the intersection. The consensus was that stop signs would not have prevented that incident. Mr. Krebs stated another justification for a stop sign could be if it was an intersection at which drivers expected other drivers to stop. He drove through the intersection several

times and did not find any issue, which showed that drivers were accustomed to the intersection as it is. He surmised that it would be difficult to justify adding a stop sign when nothing was changed or added at the intersection; therefore, adding stop signs for speed control was not advised.

A Board Member expressed his opinion that residents proposed the stop sign because they believed the intersection lent itself to a three-way stop sign. Discussion ensued regarding the distance required for signage to properly warn drivers of an upcoming stop. Mr. Krebs described the issues with a stop sign at that location and stated the Board could decide to install a stop sign but there was no justification, from an engineering standpoint. Mr. Blumenthal expressed his opinion that drivers expected stop signs at intersections. Mr. Krebs listed several other similar intersections within the community that do not have three-way stop signs and stated that intersection was a typical intersection for the community, as a whole, from an engineering standpoint.

A Board Member stated one of the reasons given was that the monument blocks drivers' view and stated he did not find this to be a valid issue.

Mr. Krebs stated that a recently added stop sign at the racquetball court was justified because a sidewalk was added on the other side of the road and a new crosswalk was installed so there was an engineering justification to add the stop sign since the area changed, which increased traffic, and there was adequate roadway to add signage. The additional traffic at the racquetball court led to the request for a stop sign at Turnberry, which was justified from an Engineering standpoint because incoming traffic was not allowing drivers to turn; it was not to control speeding. Mr. Krebs expressed his opinion that, if a stop sign were installed at that location, residents on every other street with a T-intersection would probably want the same.

On MOTION by Mr. Schultz and seconded by Mr. Fiesel, with all in favor, denying the request to erect a stop sign at the intersection of Pelican Sound Boulevard and Pelican Sound Drive, was approved.

A letter would be sent to the two residents who requested the stop sign, along with a copy of the draft meeting minutes reflecting showing the discussion and the resulting decision.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

**Discussion: Cost Estimates/
Recommendation – Top Coat or Cut and
Mill Roadway**

This item was presented following the Sixth Order of Business.

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Discussion/Update: Paver Project

Mr. Long, PSGRC General Manager, gave the following update:

- All punch list items throughout the community were completed, including the rework of the Masters area.
- Currently, there was nothing on the agenda except the Corkscrew roundabout.

Mr. Blumenthal stated an area west of the Masters intersection was missing tiles. Discussion ensued regarding the repair and the possibility of using yellow paint versus reflective pavement markers (RPMs). Mr. Schultz stated numerous RPMs were missing throughout the community. Discussion ensued regarding the logistics of replacing RPMs and specific areas that needed repair. Supplies would be ordered and RPMs would be replaced.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

**Discussion: Mix of High and Low Level
Littoral Plants**

Mr. Schultz shared an email from a Palmetto Dunes resident concerned that the transplanted canna lilies on Lake H1C would become overgrown, like at Lake E4A, and block the water view and drive the birds away. Photos of the lake were viewed and the consensus was that the lake bank looked good and the transplanted canna lilies would not deter wading birds. While the lake was not currently an issue it would be monitored. All lakes would be monitored and maintained.

Mr. Schultz recalled that, at the last meeting, MRI was authorized to fill in sink holes and clean out the pipe between Sound 9 and Lakeside. Discussion ensued regarding the project; Mrs. Adams stated it would be finished tomorrow.

Mr. Schultz stated the radar sign with a camera was in place and operational. The PSGRC Board would meet soon and the Traffic Calming Committee would propose how to manage violators. Mr. Christopher Spalding, a resident and Traffic Calming Committee member, summarized the penalties for speeding infractions, consistent with Florida law,

including warning letters, fines, suspensions and actions by the Disciplinary Committee. Upon approval, the policy would be published as part of the community's rules and regulations.

A video of the pipe work was shown.

Mr. Schultz asked for an update on the other two sinkholes. Mrs. Adams stated that all projects were executed, with the exception of the riprap portion in the Florida Power & Light (FPL) easement.

▪ **Discussion: Cost Estimates/ Recommendation – Top Coat or Cut and Mill Roadway**

This item, previously the Fourth Order of Business, was presented out of order.

Mr. Krebs suggested milling the area right before the intersection in the Masters and stated that, whatever spilled, damaged the asphalt all the way to the aggregate. Three areas need repair; the area damaged by Waste Pro seemed to be oxidizing and the other area damaged by a roofing contractor did not look like it is deteriorating. Discussion ensued regarding possible causes of the damage.

Mr. Schultz asked whether repairs needed to be addressed now. Mr. Krebs stated the damage would accelerate walkway wear and tear during the rainy season, especially by the curb where it was the worst. If the CDD was paying for it, the repair could be budgeted and addressed as a maintenance item, all the way across from curb to curb.

Given the budget constraints, Mr. Blumenthal suggested, waiting and see what needed to be done in the future. Mr. Krebs stated it would be monitored and followed up on after the next curb inspection after rainy season.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Acceptance of Unaudited Financial Statements as of October 31, 2019

Mrs. Adams presented the Unaudited Financial Statements as of October 31, 2019.

Mr. Blumenthal asked whether the District had workers' compensation coverage in the event a contractor cancelled their policy. Mrs. Adams stated any time a company cancels its policy, the insurance company mails the cancellation notice. Mr. Pires stated the typical contract requires a 30-day cancellation notice in the Certificate of Insurance and noted that the District has no employees that would qualify for workers' compensation and the District has the additional protection of sovereign immunity. The Certificate of Insurance shows the coverage, includes the cancellation policy and names the CDD as an additional insured.

Mr. Blumenthal inquired about checks #5768 and #5769, in the Check Register, in the amount of \$0.00 to Florida Community Bank. Mr. Adams stated Florida Community Bank was now Synovus Community Bank and stated this would be updated in the system.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approval of November 12, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes

Mrs. Adams presented the November 12, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes. The following changes were made:

Line 27 and throughout: Change "Gemel" to "Gamel"

Line 30 and throughout: Change "Sennell" to "Schnell"

Line 50: Change "MVR" to "NVR"

On MOTION by Mr. Fiesel and seconded by Mr. Blumenthal, with all in favor, the November 12, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes, as amended, were approved.

• **Active Action and Agenda Items**

Items 5 and 15 were completed.

Items 6, 7 and 8 were combined.

Item 9: All was completed except the work on Corkscrew Circle.

Items 11 and 13 were combined.

Item 14 was deleted as it was no longer necessary.

Item 16 was completed with one correction. Change "36" to "30".

Mr. Krebs stated the existing 30" outfall pipe was switched out for a 24" pipe.

Item 19 was completed. It was noted that the street sweeper operates at five miles per hour and is operated in the community every week.

NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Staff Reports

A. District Counsel: *Woodward Pires & Lombardo, P.A.*

There being no report, the next item followed.

B. District Engineer: *Hole Montes, Inc.*

Mr. Krebs stated he received an email about erosion in Pinehurst. There were some areas where water came down and the curb settled in the cul-de-sac and was acting as a spillway. These areas would be included with the necessary curb repairs. Mr. Adams stated he inspected another home in that area where the homeowner was concerned about losing the bank due to erosion on the side of the house. Mr. Schultz stated, since the erosion was on the homeowner’s property and not the conservation area, treating it was the homeowner’s responsibility.

C. District Manager: *Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC*

I. Key Activity Dates

This item was included for informational purposes.

II. NEXT MEETING DATE: January 28, 2020 at 1:00 P.M. [Sound Room]

o QUORUM CHECK

All Supervisors confirmed their attendance at the January 28, 2020 meeting.

TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

**Supervisors’ Requests and Public
Comments (5 minutes per speaker)**

There being no Supervisors’ requests or public comments, the next item followed.

ELEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Adjournment

There being nothing further to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 2:11 p.m.

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Secretary/Assistant Secretary


Chair/Vice Chair