

MINUTES

BARRON WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING

March 27, 2019

A meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Barron Water Control District was called to order at 9:00 A.M. on Wednesday 27, 2019, by Mark Colbert, Chairman.

Those present at the meeting were:

Mark Colbert - Board Member & Chairman  
Pat McKenna – Board Member & Vice-Chairman  
Ron Tritt – Board Member & Treasurer  
Judi Kennington-Korf - General Manager  
Maria Taylor - Secretary  
Andy Higginbotham-District Accountant  
Tommy Perry – District Engineer  
Sommer Foster – Johnson-Prewitt & Associates  
Rock Aboujaoude – Engineering Consultant  
Danny Sutton - ALICO  
John Kiernan– ALICO  
Benita Whalen – ALICO Consultant

The meeting opened with prayer led by Chairman Colbert followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

**Consent Agenda:** Verification of proper meeting notice, verification of a quorum, approval of meeting minutes January 23, 2019.

**Upon motion duly made by Chairman Colbert, seconded by Supervisor Tritt and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED AND APPROVED the Consent Agenda was adopted as presented.**

Chairman Colbert asked for public comments, there were none.

**Audit Report.**

Mr. Jeff Tuscan, District auditor provided the 2018 Audit. Mr. Tuscan stated that his firm provided an unmodified opinion, which is the highest level of scrutiny any auditor can provide. He stated that he found no material weaknesses and no instances of non-compliance. He explained the necessity of and the process for using a "public funds" account for District monies

Chairman Colbert recognized the District staff, accounting office staff and auditing office staff for work together and a job well done.

**Upon motion duly made by Chairman Colbert, seconded by Vice Chairman McKenna and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED AND APPROVED the Barron Water Control District Board accepts the Fund Balance Report for year ending September 30, 2018.**

**Upon motion duly made by Chairman Colbert, seconded by Vice Chairman McKenna and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED AND APPROVED Resolution 2019-1, a Resolution amending the adopted General Fund annual operations and maintenance budget for fiscal year 2018-19.**

**General Manager's Report:**

**Item A. Tanglewood Oaks S/D, Phase II General Permit Request**

Mr. Rock Aboujaoude, PE, the agent of record for the Tanglewood Oaks S/D II, presented the BWCD General Permit request on behalf of Central Mobile Homes, Inc., managed locally by Mr. Kenny Kenny. District Engineer Tomrny Perry provided information to the Board relative to the impact the request will have upon the Barron WCD drainage system

Mr. Perry requested time to review general permit application for the Tanglewood Oaks Phase II project as there were questions that need to be answered. Field Supervisor Leicht agreed with Mr. Perry that additional information was needed.

**Upon motion duly made by Chairman Colbert, seconded by Supervisor Tritt and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED AND APPROVED the Board GP #2019-2 is awarded to the Tanglewood Oaks S/D, Phase II project contingent upon the conditions of the permit being met.**

**Item B. Personnel Issue, Reemployment Following Retirement was tabled.**

**Item C. Correction, January 23, 2019 Board Meeting**

Ms. Kennington-Korf corrected a statement made during the January 23<sup>rd</sup> Board meeting regarding the quarterly SFWMD pump report. She mistakenly reported the incorrect location George is responsible for reporting when stated it was for Super 2 it should have been the Barron Farm, Pump A and Pump B. Reporting information accurately is very important, and requested the minutes of the January 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting be corrected reflecting the correct pumping station, Barron Farm.

**Upon motion duly made by Chairman Colbert, seconded by Vice Chairman McKenna and unanimously carried, it was RESOLVED AND APPROVED the Barron Water Control District Board accepts the corrections to the January 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting minutes as described.**

**Item D. Request for Proposal Bid, Annual Audit Service**

The Board expressed interest in seeking bids for the annual audit following the 2018 audit presentation. The Board desires to advertise for an Annual Audit Services RFP for the year ending September 30, 2019 with additional year renewals. When the RFP's have been received, the Board will convene as the Audit Committee. Thereafter, during a regular or special meeting the Board will award the RFP to the successful qualified bidder.

Chairman Colbert requested the item tabled and brought back at the next board meeting due to new information received.

Vice Chairman McKenna advised the Board has a responsibility to its landowners to do its due diligence in seeking cost for auditing services. Supervisor Tritt concurred with Vice Chairman McKenna and asked the General Manager be given direction to review other districts auditing services and costs.

Chairman Colbert directed Ms. Kennington-Korf to review other districts auditing services and costs and present the information at the next board meeting.

**Item E. FYI**

- i. Security Enhancements, shutters and alarm system. Front door shutters were installed on December 10, 2018, paid with proceeds from FEMA. RING security system was installed March 19, 2019 on the front door, the system complements the existing ADT alarm system and has already proven valuable.

**Engineer's Report:**

Mr. Perry advised a meeting was held with Judi Kennington-Korf, George Leicht, and himself with the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) to discuss Canal 1 and Hendry County permit request. SFWMD was receptive to Barron's concerns and comments. He also reported the Tanglewood Subdivision Phase II project is under review. Lastly, he informed the Board ALICO has been meeting with landowners as their DWS project is moving forward.

Ms. Kennington-Korf advised representative from the ALICO were in attendance if there were any question or comments. Chairman Colbert inquired if ALICO had anything to report even though no votes could be done at this time regarding their project. Chairman Colbert requested Ms. Kennington-Korf update the new ALICO representative of the benefits discussed at the beginning of this project that would lower the District's budget and expenses.

**Field Supervisor's Report:**

Field Supervisor Leicht reported pumping is going well, with an average rainfall at this time, they are behind on equipment repair, spraying will be late in May and mowing will start earlier this year. Recalibration will be done on the pumps in May and June. ISF pump will have to be redone; cost will be \$40 to \$45k.

**Other Business**

Chairman Colbert asked for public comments, there were none.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 AM.

ATTEST:

  
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Maria Taylor, Recording Secretary

  
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Mark Colbert, Chairman

