



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MEETING MINUTES  
June 7, 2022**

***Directors***

***In Person:*** Brian Farrar-President, Vince Marchesani-Vice President, Bob Bachman-Treasurer, Larry Kosilla, Mike Malloy, Ben Nelson and Wayne Bauman

***Directors Remote:*** Paul Attwood-Secretary

***Directors Absent:*** Richard Garner

***Staff Present:*** John Jenkins, Steve Richards, Kim Hoskins, Jose Espinoza, Lori Nalli, Courtney Stevenson and Tim Augustine

***Legal Counsel:*** Don Thomson of Henderson Franklin

**IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL (CDC) SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDELINES DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, SOME DIRECTORS, STAFF, MEMBERS, AND OTHERS ATTENDING THIS MEETING DID SO REMOTELY UTILIZING THE ZOOM MEETING ONLINE PLATFORM.**

**Meeting** called to order at 5:00 p.m. by President Farrar.

**Minutes:** **Nelson** moved to approve the Minutes from May 17, 2022 Board Meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by **Malloy**. Approved 8-0.

**Member Comment:** None.

**220607-01** **Jennifer Hamilton** of Gravina Smith discussed the rollout of the WaterSmart Customer Portal. The Customer Portal provides members with detailed account information, tracks water usage, diagnoses leaks, links to bill pay options and provides a multi facet overview of water usage.

**220607-02** **Hoskins** presented a Joint Project Agreement with the City of Bonita Springs for the Big Bend Road drainage project which requires sanitary sewer lateral relocation and water main deflection to avoid conflict with storm drainage pipe. BSU's cost is \$113,520, which includes a 10%

contingency. A budget amendment was requested for \$13,520. **Kosilla** moved to approve the JPA and budget amendment. 2<sup>nd</sup> by **Bauman**. Approved 8-0.

**220607-03** **Hoskins** presented a Professional Service Agreement for Watermain R&R Priority 1 – Phase 6 Engineering Services with Johnson Engineering for permitting, bidding and construction services in the amount of \$185,019. A budget amendment in the amount of \$160,000 will be necessary to add funds to the Watermain R&R 2022 CIP budget. **Bachman** moved to approve the Professional Service Agreement with Johnson Engineering and budget amendment. 2<sup>nd</sup> by **Marchesani**. Approved 8-0.

**220607-04** **Hoskins** reported on New Construction Project Status.

**Other**

**Business:** **Jenkins** reported: BSU received a \$33,000 Safety Award from Bridgefield for a good safety record in 2021; the Black Island Interconnect with Lee County Utilities serving Fort Myers Beach has been closed since their water storage tank repair is complete: staffing levels are down 5 to 6 employees in both the Distribution and Utility Maintenance Departments with efforts underway to fill these positions; a wastewater ARV malfunction on Strike Lane in San Carlos Estates caused a sanitary sewer overflow which was cleaned up and properly reported.

**Bills:** **Bachman** moved to approve payment of the bills presented and Renewal and Replacement Withdrawal Request (2022-10). 2<sup>nd</sup> by **Kosilla**. Approved 8-0.

**Director**

**Comments:** **Marchesani** stated the WaterSmart program is going to be a great help to our Members.

**Kosilla** joined in on the WaterSmart program and stated he had people asking about the program.

**Attwood** stated the WaterSmart program should be a great system and the rollout should begin as soon as possible.

**Farrar** stated the rollout of the WaterSmart program should be earlier rather than later.

**Meeting Adjourned at 5:39 p.m.**