



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MEETING MINUTES  
September 19, 2023**

**Directors**

**In Person:**

Brian Farrar - President, Wayne Bauman - Vice President, Richard Garner – Treasurer, Vince Marchesani – Secretary, Jim Murphy, Mike Malloy, Paul Attwood, and Bob Bachman

**Directors**

**Remote:**

Larry Kosilla

**Staff**

**Present:**

John Jenkins, Andy Koebel, Steve Richards, Kim Hoskins, Todd Griglin, Jose Espinoza, Don Woodruff, and Krystal Dickout

**Legal**

**Counsel:**

Don Thomson of Henderson Franklin

**Meeting Called to Order** at 5:01 p.m. by President Farrar.

**Minutes:**

**Garner** moved to approve the Minutes for the September 5, 2023 Board Meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by **Bauman**. Approved 9-0.

**Member**

**Comment:**

Shane Snell, a member who lives on Snell Rd., witnessed an unauthorized individual hunting turkeys on BSU property on Snell Rd. He also brought up a matter of fiber optic internet connectivity on Snell Rd where his parents also live. Internet service may be available from CenturyLink and he would like assistance from BSU. He suggested a cost-sharing arrangement among property owners, but was told by CenturyLink he would have to pay in full up front which made it impractical. **Jenkins** acknowledged connectivity issues at the Company's Snell Rd. ground storage tank and stated staff would follow up with Mr. Snell on the internet options.

**230919-01**

**Richards** requested direction as to which organizations should receive contributions from the Community Fund, which rounds up participating members' utility bills to the next highest dollar amount to contribute to local social service organizations through the United Way. Current annual contributions total only about \$2,000. **Murphy** suggested a subcommittee to select the organizations to receive funding. **Murphy, Attwood, Kosilla, and Marchesani** offered to serve on the subcommittee. **Bachman** moved to approve the subcommittee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by **Attwood**. Approved 9-0.

**230919-02** **Hoskins** presented a Vacant Land Contract for sale of a portion of surplus property at 23850 Cockleshell Dr. The City of Bonita Springs wishes to purchase the eastern 2.06 acres of the 2.53 acre site for the regional stormwater system. BSU will retain the portion of the site where the master pump station is located along with area for future expansion. The sale price is \$281,763.50 based on comparable sales in a recent appraisal. There is discrepancy in the legal description to be addressed. This sale is conditioned on the City selling BSU a half acre site on Kent Rd. for a well site. **Don Thomson** briefly addressed the relative sites and contract terms. **Murphy** moved to approve the sale. 2<sup>nd</sup> by **Attwood**. Approved 9-0.

**230919-03** **Hoskins** presented a Vacant Land Contract for purchase of a 0.5 acre site from the City of Bonita Springs located at 27601 Kent Rd. The purchase price is \$50,000. BSU intends to use this for a future wellsite which is necessary for future capacity/replacement needs for the RO water treatment plant. **Garner** moved to approve the vacant land purchase. 2<sup>nd</sup> by **Bachman**. Approved 9-0.

#### **Other**

**Business:** **Jenkins** informed the Board of photos scheduled for October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4:30pm. He also confirmed certain details for the upcoming Strategic Planning Session this Saturday 9/23/23.

**Bill Payment:** **Garner** moved to approve payment of the bills presented and Renewal and Replacement Withdrawal Request (2023-14). 2<sup>nd</sup> by **Malloy**. Approved 9-0.

#### **Director**

**Comments:** **Marchesani** briefed the Board on the Engineering/Operations Committee meeting. The deep injection well and interconnect RFP is going out. The project has an estimated completion time of 3 years with up to one year for permitting approval. He mentioned the Forester Rd. city drainage project and the impact on water and wastewater piping in the area. He updated the Board on the progress of the Resilient Lee program. Projects have been submitted and BSU remains involved in monitoring the submittal progress for potential grant funds to be used for project costs.

**Farrar** received a positive member comment on the service they received from a staff member at the receptionist desk.

**Meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.**