

MINUTES OF MEETING
MIDDLE VILLAGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Middle Village Community Development District was held on Monday, August 15, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Plantation Oaks Amenity Center, 845 Oakleaf Plantation Parkway, Orange Park, Florida 32065.

Present and constituting a quorum were:

Michael Steiner	Chairman
Tim Hartigan	Vice Chairman
Jeremy Spellman	Supervisor
Jonel Hicks	Supervisor
Jason Mifsud	Supervisor

Also present were:

Marilee Giles	District Manager
Wes Haber	District Counsel
Jay Soriano	Field Operations Manager
Chalon Suchsland	VerdeGo Landscape
Marla Dietrich	S3 Security

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order

Ms. Giles called the meeting to order and called the roll at approximately 6:00 p.m.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Audience Comments

Mr. Robert Straten stated I'm new to the community and new to the Briar Oaks board, so there's a lot of things about this area I do not know yet. The first question I have is why the decrease in the debt assessment?

Chairman Steiner responded there was a series of bonds that were put in place to fund the build-out of the infrastructure and drainage in 2004. In 2008 the bonds were refinanced, which reduced the interest rate. This last adjustment is from where we retired the 2018 bonds and brought in the 2022 bonds at a much lower rate. The bond duration was to 2035. We kept the same duration, we only lowered the payments because the interest rate was reduced.

Mr. Robert Straten asked will the decrease of that and transferring into the budget allow for the full maintenance of Middle Village?

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Chairman Steiner responded the operations and maintenance budget is designed for the coming year, and that is to cover everything that is managed by Middle Village, including the pools, this facility, the property, the Parkway areas, and the staffing for the pools, those kinds of things.

Mr. Robert Straten asked those are going to take care of the maintenance as well, correct?

Chairman Steiner responded yes.

Mr. Robert Straten asked is it going to take care of, for example, putting the gates on the fence that has been put up there.

Mr. Soriano stated the gates are already paid for.

Mr. Robert Straten asked is there any estimate of when they might be installed?

Mr. Soriano responded I was hoping it was going to be this last month, but I haven't heard from the company yet. Some of them are decorative, so they're still designing them.

Mr. Robert Straten asked they're going to secure the facility, correct?

Mr. Soriano responded yes, there is only going to be one check-in, so one way in, one way out.

Ms. Suzanne Foster stated I live in Green Cove Springs, and we have a condo in the Preserves. This meeting is just about the amenities in this area, it has nothing to do with the housing or condos?

Chairman Steiner responded as far as the condos and everything within the complex itself, it's covered by your condominium association. They follow different regulations. The CDD manages the amenities that are in the area, this building, the parks and the stormwater systems.

Ms. Suzanne Foster asked are these amenities also the parks within the housing developments?

Mr. Soriano responded some. There are some multi-family sections that have their own amenities. There are also some single-family areas that are close to here that are not part of the CDD. There is a lot of property in Middle Village CDD. On this side we have three playground/park areas.

Ms. Suzanne Foster asked so this is the soccer fields, tennis courts, etc.?

Mr. Soriano responded the soccer fields are part of another CDD. You have reciprocity with them to utilize the facilities, but you don't pay anything for them, and vice versa. They can

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come over here, but they don't pay into this budget at all. You have these fields here, the roadways and right of way areas that are owned by the District, three playground areas (Hamilton Glen, Whitfield and Deerfield), and then our walking areas like the pond on this side. Those are all owned by the CDD, and that's what the O&M goes towards.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS**Approval of Consent Agenda**

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the July 11, 2022 Board of Supervisors Meeting**
- B. Financial Statements**
- C. Assessment Receipt Schedule**
- D. Check Register**

Ms. Giles stated included in your package are the minutes of the last meeting, the financial statements as of June 30th, your assessment receipts schedule showing you are 100% collected, and the check register totaling \$133,755.41.

On MOTION by Vice Chairman Hartigan seconded by Chairman Steiner with all in favor the consent agenda was approved.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**Consideration of Amended and Restated Disclosure of Public Financing**

Mr. Haber stated Chapter 190 Florida Statutes, which governs CDDs, requires that a CDD record in the public records where the CDD is located a disclosure of public financing. The statute doesn't provide any details of what is required to be in that document, but our office has created this document that you have in front of you that largely provides some background on what a CDD is, who makes up the Board as of the date of the document, a quick summary of what the CDD's improvements are, and notably for purposes of what you're looking at today, a highlight of each of the bond issues the CDD does. On page six there is a paragraph that starts, "In January of 2022 the District refinanced outstanding 2018 bonds." So, the reason you're considering this document today is because of the addition of that paragraph to update this document with the most recent financing that this Board undertook. This is truly just an amendment. There is a substantially similar document presently in the official records of Clay County. It will be replaced and superseded by this one to be supplemented with this new information. This will get signed by your Chair and then recorded in the public records of Clay County.

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Chairman Steiner asked is this available to the residents?

Mr. Haber responded it's available to the pretty much anyone. If you Google Clay County official records, you can pull up the website and search for probably the CDD's name, an assortment of documents would come up, including this one. Once we record it, it will be assigned a particular official record designation, it's commonly referred to as "OR book and page number". We can share that with you and if you want to pull up only this document, we can give you the OR book and page number and you can pull it up that way.

Chairman Steiner stated the reason I ask is Bob had the question on the history of the bonds and the debt assessment. That paragraph explains it probably a whole lot better than I do. It would be something that I think would be instrumental if anyone wanted to go back and look at the history.

Vice Chairman Hartigan asked is it in the handouts?

Ms. Giles responded there's a website, www.MiddleVillageCDD.com, you can Google Middle Village CDD, and it'll pop up. On the home screen, my name and Jay's name will be listed and if you go all the way to the bottom, it will say agendas, and there will be an electronic version of what the Board is looking at. That document is in the agenda for today's meeting on that website, as are the historical documents for the last couple of years.

Mr. Haber stated the document is also public record, so GMS's office will also have a copy of it so truly anyone can call GMS's office and request a copy.

Chairman Steiner stated yes, I just didn't want to point them to the website if it wasn't there.

Mr. Haber stated some CDDs put this on their website, and some don't. It's not required.

Mr. Robert Straten asked so this is on the website?

Mr. Haber responded the agenda package is on the website, so at least this version is. It won't be signed and recorded, but perhaps once it gets signed and recorded, they will put that one on the website as well.

Mr. Hicks joined the meeting at this time.

<p>On MOTION by Chairman Steiner seconded by Vice Chairman Hartigan with all in favor the amended and restated disclosure of public financing was approved.</p>

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FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**Public Hearing for the Purpose of Adopting
the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget**

Ms. Giles stated a summary sheet of all the details of what is going on with the budget has been passed out. It includes the refinance savings for each unit type, and the breakdown of the O&M assessments. At the end of the day, what the residents will see on their tax assessments is less this year than what it was last year.

On MOTION by Chairman Steiner seconded by Mr. Mifsud with all in favor the public hearing was opened.

Mr. Haber stated we published two public hearings, there is a budget public hearing and an assessment public hearing. So, this will be the public hearing on the budget. You're bound to have comments that crossover, because the assessments directly relate to the budget, but for purposes of the record, we can discuss the budget and separately open a public hearing on the assessments.

Ms. Giles stated I received one public comment letter and I've sent that to the Supervisors. The public hearing is open for comments in regard to the FY23 budget.

Ms. Suzanne Foster asked how much more am I going to be paying? I assume this goes on my property taxes.

Chairman Steiner responded you fall under a multi-family unit type, and the letter you should have gotten should have showed a \$21 credit. The result of tonight is that instead of the \$21, it will be \$42 being reduced. When you receive your tax notice from the County, it includes a non-ad valorem assessment. That is your CDD fee. That consists of two parts, the debt assessment, and the O&M. Your O&M is what we are increasing for next year, which is why we had to send the letter out, but we also initiated a refinancing of the bonds that generated a reduction in the annual debt assessment payment. That debt reduction, when combined with the increase, compared to last year's notice, your bill will be \$42 less. We based our initial projections on a value that was not quite correct, so we have corrected the amount of savings and it turned out it was more savings than what we thought. If we increase the O&M, we have to send out notice to every owner of that increase, which is what the initial purpose of the letter is, but because we reduced the debt, we had them include the debt service in the letter so you saw what the real effect would be on your tax notice.

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Ms. Suzanne Foster asked when I go home and look at this past year's property taxes, the \$1,242 will be shown on there somewhere?

Mr. Soriano responded yes. It's either going to say Middle Village CDD or local government. It's going to be in the section that says non-ad valorem taxes.

Ms. Suzanne Foster asked so everyone that lives out here got one of these letters, and this is all that showed up?

Mr. Soriano responded yes. This is the first time in many years we've had any type of increase, and generally things run really well. These guys have done a good job of taking care of the facilities, so there's not much to complain about.

Chairman Steiner stated this is the first increase we've had in ten years. The only time this letter gets sent out is when we increase. The last increase to the O&M we had also done refinancing of the bonds, so the letter went out saying you owe more money, and we had several people here, but they were told it's going to come out that you don't pay any extra, and everybody got up and left. This is the reason we asked that this be added to this notice so people can understand they're going to pay \$21 less.

Ms. Suzanne Foster stated I just didn't understand this table and all the jargon that goes with it. I looked at it like I was paying an extra \$672.04, but then when I saw the table, I thought it would be \$1,200 and something.

Mr. Robert Straten asked what is the term of the new bond?

Chairman Steiner responded they mature in 2035 and that point, there will be another reduction. We are completely built out, so we have no anticipation of issuing more bonds.

Mr. Robert Straten stated I was wondering why you didn't add a couple bucks in there to put some additional revenue in.

Chairman Steiner stated the document that you got for multi-family, you got a savings. The folks that have single family homes have an increase.

Mr. Robert Straten stated I was wondering why you didn't pump it up.

Chairman Steiner stated we did.

Mr. Soriano stated there were discussions on more, but with what we have now is a great deal more than we've had for the last ten years, so I think the idea was to be a little cautious. That increase years ago where we had a whole bunch of people in this room started off at \$40 or \$50 for the whole year. It wasn't a lot, and then when they figured out, they weren't going to be

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paying anything extra they got up and left. We've also looked at not doing what we did this last time. We're not going to go ten years. We're going to put some aside in the bank for savings for when we need it.

Mr. Robert Straten stated I was going to ask you what the typical attendance was. I've been in HOAs, and you never get more than 10% participation. When you have these hearings, is there anybody here other than the people that have to be here?

Mr. Soriano stated unless there's something to complain about, it's like pulling teeth to get people to be active and understanding. The biggest things that will involve them is when there is an increase in what they have to pay.

Vice Chairman Hartigan stated community members are quick to go on social media about a certain things but won't attend the meeting.

Mr. Mifsud stated the difference in the budget that Chairman Steiner talked about earlier to get to this lesser number, can we identify the key change?

Ms. Giles responded the debt service assessments shown on page 133 of the agenda package is what made it an even better news story. The O&M is on page 132.

No further public comments were offered.

On MOTION by Chairman Steiner seconded by Vice Chairman Hartigan with all in favor the public hearing was closed.

A. Consideration of Resolution 2022-12, Relating to Annual Appropriations and Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2023

On MOTION by Mr. Mifsud seconded by Mr. Spellman with all in favor Resolution 2022-12, relating to annual appropriations was approved.

On MOTION by Vice Chairman Hartigan seconded by Mr. Spellman with all in favor the public hearing on the proposed O&M special assessments was opened.

There were no comments from the public.

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On MOTION by Chairman Steiner seconded by Vice Chairman Hartigan with all in favor the public hearing on the proposed O&M special assessments was closed.

B. Consideration of Resolution 2022-13, Imposing Special Assessments and Certifying an Assessment Roll

Mr. Haber stated sixty plus days ago you adopted a resolution approving a proposed budget, the notices were sent out, a notice was published in the newspaper, and based on the adoption of the budget, you allocate O&M assessments, and we've been discussing those assessment levels. This resolution makes certain findings as it relates to the fact that the items listed in the budget benefit the community, that you seek to allocate the assessments in the amounts that we've discussed to the various types of properties for those amounts. Section two is assessment imposition. By virtue of your adoption of this resolution, you are formally imposing the assessments against the real property. Those assessments will get collected by the Clay County Tax Collector, but they are lien against each property within the boundaries of the District. If they are not paid, they go through the tax certificate process. The CDD doesn't really play a role in that. When the Tax Collector collects that money, they send it to us, and we put it in our accounts. Section four is the assessment roll. That's just the document that lists all of the properties and the assessment levels for each of those properties, both debt and O&M. Section five provides the method by which if we ever have to amend the assessment roll how we would go about doing that. The rest of the provisions are in almost every resolution, severability and effective date. Really, what you should know is, by adopting this resolution you are actually imposing the assessment and you're directing Marilee's office to certify that assessment roll to the County so those amounts will show up on each property owner's tax bill.

On MOTION by Chairman Steiner seconded by Vice Chairman Hartigan with all in favor Resolution 2022-13, imposing special assessments and certifying an assessment roll for Fiscal Year 2023 was approved.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Other Business

There being no other business, the next item followed.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Staff Reports

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A. District Counsel

There being nothing to report, the next item followed.

B. District Engineer

There being nothing to report, the next item followed.

C. District Manager – Consideration of Designating a Regular Meeting Schedule

Ms. Giles presented a proposed meeting schedule for monthly meetings on the second Monday of each month and stated, you will notice that the August meeting is the third Monday of the month and that is because we have to have 60 days between approval and adoption of the budget. We can change meeting times, locations, and dates as necessary as long as we notice it properly.

On MOTION by Vice Chairman Hartigan seconded by Mr. Hicks with all in favor the regular meeting schedule for Fiscal Year 2023 was approved as presented.

D. Operations Manager – Memorandum

Mr. Soriano stated we have had a couple of community events since I saw you last. We had one of the dive-in movies this past week, and we also had our Back-to-School party at the pools. Here you were extremely busy. There were a few hundred people out there. I had to cut everybody off after 20 pizzas. They had a lot of fun and we made it through without getting stormed out. Double Branch had their last dive-in movie this past Friday. You will have your last one in September and then we're done for the summer and the movies will move to the multi-use field at your sister district.

If you've looked at past usage numbers, we are starting to get back up to pre-pandemic days. Back in 2018 and 2019 for this month the highest number you had was 14,000 people visiting in one month, so 10,000 here is still lower, but higher than we've been for the last year or two.

On the maintenance side, I have a couple of updates. I'm still waiting on the gates. I was hoping they would be installed this week. We can't really lock in until we get the decorative gates and that's not just the main gate downstairs, but up here as well. The three other gates won't stop people from getting in because you can just walk up the stairs, walk around and walk

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down. The decorative gates will shut off this veranda, and this veranda will then only be used for this rental area, which is neat because residents have always asked for their party to not be disturbed by people walking up the stairs.

Chairman Steiner asked I know to access all the other amenities you come through that main entrance. Are you going to be rerouting the pool access?

Mr. Soriano responded pool access can be checked there since they have a computer. That does create a problem. They will be checked in on our system, we just won't know where they will go if they walk out the back, but we've checked them in for the day and that's the main part; we know they're here, we know they're residents, and we know they're using the facilities. The same will go for those adults that don't want to come in this way and that only want to swim in the lap pool back there. They're going to go through down here and walk all the way around. These guys don't really know they're there, but they can see in the system that they've been checked in and I can pull up a report on when they come in or if they bring guests, things like that.

Mr. Soriano continued his report stating, I have a couple of quotes for you. The company that did the original install for the lap pool motor hasn't responded and they are our main distributor for that large 25HP motor that runs that pool. I've given them close to three months to give me a quote for that replacement motor, so I've reached out to one of our other companies that we purchase our smaller motors from to give me a price. That motor is running, and I can make it last a while, but with that much water coming out of its seal, it will go sooner or later and it will shut down. I'm starting to get worried that it will go out and there's no way we're going to make it into spring break of next year. If it goes out when we have one of our handful of residents that use the pool in the winter, we're going to hear from them, so it's something we need to replace. This company would be a little more expensive. Just for the motor it's about \$9,000. I also need to replace the VFP that runs it. That computer drive that is back there is made by Schneider Electric. The last electrician that was in here gave me a verbal quote of \$10,000 to just purchase that drive. I will not be buying a Schneider Electric. The WEG drive is going to be \$6,660. Altogether, to repair that lap pool in the off-season it will be \$15,522.63. I would ask for a not to exceed of \$16,000.

Chairman Steiner stated we've let Jay instill the plan to go ahead and when we pull this and replace it, we get the old one rebuilt as a spare.

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Mr. Soriano stated right. The motor is good. It's the bearings and the seals that are going bad. I can replace those, it's a few hundred dollars to replace them, but then we have a \$8,000 or \$9,000 motor sitting on the side just as we do for the slides and the filters. Between you and your sister district I have five or six of these motors sitting on a shelf ready to go when something goes out. That has worked really well for us the last few years.

Mr. Mifsud you said the other company was kind of the sole source. Being that they haven't gotten back to you, is there anything more aggressive?

Mr. Soriano responded Vak Pak does a lot of new construction installs. The next company is Com-Pac. Our tanks on the other side are made by Com-Pac. They also build fiberglass slides and things like that. We are kind of limited. Those companies do the most out here and they serve a good amount of Florida. That's why they should be cheaper, but I don't know if it's because of a little fish type thing that they're not paying attention to us. I have to have a plan ready to go because it could go out any day.

Vice Chairman Hartigan stated we've been talking about this for a while, and I know it has to be done so I will make a motion.

Mr. Soriano stated this is just for purchase of the equipment. Install is going to be on me. It's a 500lb motor. I have to rent what is called a long reach forklift to reach over top of the heaters, so install is going to be a little tough. I have no idea what that is going to cost, but right now it's going to be on my guys.

Chairman Steiner stated you're talking \$16,000 without the install, what if we take that to \$19,000 to cover the install?

Mr. Soriano stated that should be good. The electrician is the only thing left and that can be very expensive, but hopefully he gives me a good price. If it's a few dollars off I can bring it back for ratification. That's nothing that is going to hold us up.

On MOTION by Vice Chairman Hartigan seconded by Chairman Steiner with all in favor purchase and install a 25HP motor in the lap pool at an amount not to exceed \$19,000 was approved.
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Chairman Steiner stated you just had to review the reserve study on the replacements. What was the timeframe on that? Is it something we have stretched?

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Mr. Soriano responded no; with the pool equipment they gave me an allowance every year of a few thousand bucks. We haven't spent that allowance in the last few years. This year he gave me an \$8,000 allowance, but short of a couple of small things, like the breakers for your slide motors that are \$500, that is going to roll over. Next year he has \$8,480 allocated, so about \$16,000 right there between this year and next year. That's not including previous years.

Chairman Steiner stated so basically, we're just pulling it forward for a period of time.

Mr. Soriano stated correct.

Mr. Soriano continued with his report stating we've talked about our roof on this building multiple times. The only reason I'm pushing this is when you walk out of this building and look back, you'll see a sinkhole on the roof. It's been there since early spring. It's something we need to address. I've had a couple of roofers come out and take a look at it. It's not something where the roof is just going to fall in tomorrow, but if it does, then we have a building that's used for weddings with a tarp on top of it, so I think we need to move it up. It's in the capital reserve study for next year and there's \$64,830 allocated for it. I think that's a little low. This is a \$70,000 roof. We have the money, so I'm not worried about it. I do think we take care of it now.

Chairman Steiner stated I see this as a bigger priority than the motor.

Mr. Soriano stated I have only one written quote in hand. I've asked four companies to come out and this is the first one. It's actually a pretty good price. Two companies I spoke to are right here in Orange Park, they just haven't gotten out here to walk through and measure it. Kutak Rock is going to create an agreement for us that spells out a scope and everything I expect from them for that amount and things like warranties.

Chairman Steiner stated I think it needs to be accelerated to be done this year. This facility is a funding generator and in the past prior to COVID we were bringing in close to \$80,000 for the budget just from this.

Vice Chairman Hartigan stated they're allocating for five sheets of plywood. I'd like to see at least ten at a bare minimum. Knowing the size of this structure, as soon as you tear into the roof you know we're going to find something hidden.

Mr. Soriano stated that's going to be part of the \$58,000 already, so when we need more, we just pay a higher number. I would ask if we do this tonight, we don't do it off one quote. I can't finalize it until I have an agreement in place, so counsel will draft an agreement and we will ask them to agree to our terms. So, if we have to, I can haggle with them in between. I've

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been up there plenty of times and I can tell you there's more than five sheets of plywood they're going to need to replace.

Mr. Mifsud asked were they able to confirm that the sagging is not going past the plywood, like nothing with the structure?

Mr. Soriano responded until they take it off, they can't check the truss that well, but I've been in there and can kind of see it. They're still in good shape. Once they pull it off, they will be able to see the top where everything is nailed in.

Chairman Steiner asked what are you looking for on this?

Mr. Soriano responded I would look for something based off what we're seeing here, so at least this if not closer to \$70,000. I still won't do anything until I hear from at least one of those other companies. I don't like to operate on one quote. The quote is \$64,830, so if you want to do \$65,000 or \$70,000 so I can start moving forward.

On MOTION by Mr. Mifsud seconded by Mr. Spellman with all in favor roof replacement at an amount not to exceed \$70,000 was approved.

Mr. Soriano stated about four years ago we started replacing the furniture out here and we've been doing it in small sections. We're getting rid of all of the strapped furniture because it is very labor intensive. The oldest strapped furniture out there is now 18 years old, so it's lasted a long time. We were replacing 30 to 40 chaises at a time and 20 chairs or so. This quote I have for you will get a good amount left. We may have to do one more section next year. This is the end of our season though. I presented one of these to your sister district at your meeting before this and they opted to hold off for a couple of months and do it in January. I'm good with it because we're at the end of our season. We do have some limited hours left, but nobody is complaining about the furniture that is left right now. We will have to get back on track because we didn't replace any this spring.

Chairman Steiner stated the reason I would suggest we delay it is we just approved two things which have unknown costs that could accelerate, and I think those items are more important; having the pool up and running and getting the building in order.

Mr. Soriano stated I'm good with it.

Vice Chairman Hartigan stated we can look at November or December.

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Mr. Soriano stated I have one more thing I want to mention. I talked to Chalon about some of our contractual amounts that we have leftover for this year that ends September 30th. We have contractual amounts for replacement plants and things like that. We've been doing good for the last couple of years. The landscaping looks great, and we haven't lost much this year. We have \$5,500 worth of items that we could use by September 30th. Chalon would like to move that to tree work and I think that is a very good idea. We've been seeing more tree work the last couple of years, especially in places like Deerview where there's a lot of dead pines that we have to take care of. They do already have in their contract things like trimming limbs over the sidewalk and roads, but it does hold them up when they have to take care of a lot of those other dead trees.

Vice Chairman Hartigan asked what about the roundabout?

Mr. Soriano responded we just took care of that. We did get a couple of angry people. It does look a little rough, but remember, it wasn't our choice. They wanted it for site distancing. You can see the light well now. We stepped up the front and evened out the rest going back so that it was well below the FPL easement too. They're always worried about us running into their power line. So, everything is chopped, and it looks bad, but next year it will look good. If you are good with moving that money to tree work, I don't need a motion, just direction.

There were no objections from the Board.

Mr. Soriano stated I sent you an email to update you that we hit a staff shortage. We've been good most of the summer, but I've been working a lot lately and I've had a couple of my staff members working with me. Some of them have been out here 60 or 70 plus hours this week. I'm trying my hardest not to close any facilities down, even the pools. Wanda is covering shifts at the fitness center. We're getting some of our new hires in this week, so it's getting better. But, because of that, I didn't get quite as much work done on the maintenance side as I would have liked. We're about a third of the way through the boardwalk and it looks pretty good.

Vice Chairman Hartigan asked the email that you sent us regarding a lifeguard. What have you done for this individual?

Mr. Soriano responded other than the typical congratulatory comments and emails to them, we haven't really done anything. These guys do this kind of stuff all the time, but the residents don't always see it. If they do, they will send us an email and say I'm glad they're here, but this stuff happens a lot more than residents or you will know. We do a lot of internal congratulations to make sure they understand they did a good job. I was really impressed because

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this girl is 16 years old, so she did a really good job, but we don't typically do anything big or special. If you want us to, we can. I don't want to make any of the rest of them to feel like they're not doing a good job just because they haven't confronted that, but all of them do a good job out here.

Chairman Steiner stated Jay usually does something for the group, so they all get recognized.

Vice Chairman Hartigan stated I understand, but when someone goes above and beyond, and for someone that is 16 years old is saving a toddler that is choking before fire and rescue, which is right down the street, it's a little more than a group thing.

Mr. Soriano stated if you want me to, I can. I just haven't in the past just because it does happen a lot more than people realize, and I don't want any of them to think they're not doing a good job. There were three people involved in that. The main lifeguard was 16 years old, and she was the first responder. The supervisor that day, Susie's daughter, is a little older and more experienced so it was good to have her there.

Vice Chairman Hartigan asked what about a certificate of appreciation? That would be the very least we could do as a district.

Mr. Soriano stated I can do that. They get a lot of praise from me and Susie. Remember, this is a little bit different of an operation out here compared to other neighborhoods. We employ and train all of our own staff here where most places contract out to somebody else. It's good to be able to pay them extra.

Ms. Suchsland stated VerdeGo can throw in a couple gift cards too if you want.

Mr. Soriano stated we got contacted during Spring Break for a lifeguard that rescued a kid that nobody was paying attention to in the pool. It was over at South Village. After everybody got on Facebook, Rocky who was one of our locals here wanted to give the kid a PS5. He ended up not even being a lifeguard and it ended up the lifeguards didn't even have a part in that situation, but nobody found that out until they contact the two aquatics directors. So, it just seems weird to me that lifeguards are doing their job and one of them gets a PS5, so I try to stay away from those types of things and give internal recognition. We will do everything to make sure she is still part of our crew next year. I like to recognize it more because the typical thing that we get is a lot of our adults don't listen to the lifeguards the way that they should. These kids have a lot of good training, and they take that job serious.

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Chairman Steiner stated I have one more thing for Jay. You sent out another email concerning Clay County tourism putting in the welcome sign and they're going to be installing it in areas that are the county's right of way.

Mr. Soriano stated one sign is just for your side. The sign going in on the Middle Village sign is actually a historical marker. I can share that with you separately. That is another project from a whole other department in the county. Grandfield a long time ago was the original home for the Blue Angels. We had multiple runways here and the center of that runway pattern is actually right where the elementary school is. They have some cool pictures and they're installing a historical marker on the fitness center property, but it's still county right of way so they have the ability to install it anywhere, but they wanted to work with us, which is nice. I'm going to have them do a presentation, I just wanted to get past the budget stuff. I'll ask them if they can come to your meeting too. This is a project to beautify Clay County. If you notice, they've demanded a lot of work on the FDOT overpasses and now all of it is done. Compared to some other ramps in Duval, they don't have all the landscaping we're getting or the brick walls that are going in. Here, they want to do a sign as you come in on the Clay County/Duval line right at our border. We have no ownership in the area they want to put it in. We don't even own a piece of the right of way there, but we do cut the grass and we take care of the flowers.

Chairman Steiner asked is there anything we need to do? I can't imagine this nice sign without anything around it. I'm just wondering whether the County is looking for us to do this.

Mr. Soriano stated they're not looking for us to do anything. We have irrigation there already. If you notice on there, they have lighting. That is going to be done by them, so we won't pay for any lighting. However, if they were just to stick it in that tiny flower bed it wouldn't be impressive, so we may want to improve that area a little more. I would wait until they get that in and it could be six months to a year before we see the sign.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Audience Comments / Supervisors' Requests

Audience Comments

Ms. Suzanne Foster stated you said The Preserve is a high-density multi-family. What does that mean?

Chairman Steiner responded each of our buildings have twelve condos in it and there are 228 families living in that complex as opposed to Cambridge next to us. Those are townhouses.

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The density of the families in that amount of land is not as high. The Preserve is now the only high density. There was supposed to be another high-density condo community at the end where the roundabout is, but the bubble burst and those were no longer marketable, so the developer proposed townhouses.

Mr. Soriano stated we do have high density with aquatics too that is separate. The apartments on the other side of the clock tower are the other high density, but they have their own pool.

Supervisor Requests

Mr. Hicks asked did you ever get the motorbikes figured out?

Chairman Steiner stated not yet. I developed a schedule, and I thought I had it down pat and then I had to leave for a week, and when I came back, they're doing it on a different schedule and now they haven't even been coming through. They went about a week or two and I never heard anybody come by.

Mr. Soriano stated I think it's going to be a change in schedule because they're back in school.

Chairman Steiner stated so I'm still trying to figure out when would be the best hours for the patrol because we have to have them for at least four hours. The next thing is to ensure the officer is sitting down there physically and not up here. I still think they're going through by the new development and coming up here and going through the fields or cutting through the boardwalk. There seems to be about three in the group.

NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Next Scheduled Meeting

Ms. Giles stated our next meeting is scheduled for September 12th at 4:00 p.m. here at the Plantation Oaks Amenity Center.

TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Adjournment

On MOTION by Chairman Steiner seconded by Vice Chairman Hartigan with all in favor the meeting was adjourned.

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