

**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 Monday, **August 10, 2026** at 2:00 p.m. at the Plantation Oaks Amenity Center, 845 Oakleaf Plantation Parkway, Orange Park, Florida 32065.

Present and constituting a quorum were:

Michael Steiner
Sherrie Mifsud
Eric Marx
Julie Arnau
Kenneth Hardison

Chairman
Vice Chair
Assistant Secretary
Assistant Secretary
Assistant Secretary

Also present were:

Marilee Giles
Mike Eckert
Carl Allen *by phone*
Jay Soriano
Chalon Suchsland

District Manager, GMS
District Counsel, Kutak Rock
District Engineer, DCCM
GMS
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FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Roll Call

Ms. Giles called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Five Supervisors were in attendance constituting a quorum.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Audience Comments (Limited to three minutes)

Ms. Giles stated item two on the agenda is audience comments. A copy of the agenda is on the table for those that wish to follow along. At this time, the Board invites any member of the public in attendance to speak on any item listed on the agenda. There's also a place towards the end of the meeting for public comments again. If you provide comments, please state your name for the record.

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THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS**Approval of Consent Agenda****A. Approval of the Minutes of the July 13, 2026 Meeting**

Ms. Giles stated item three on the agenda is approval of consent agenda items. On page seven are the minutes of the July 13th, 2026 meeting. Unless there's any comments or corrections, I just look for a motion to approve.

On MOTION by Ms. Mifsud seconded by Mr. Marx with all in favor, the Minutes of the July 13, 2026 Meeting, were approved as amended.

B. Financial Statements**C. Assessment Receipts Schedule****D. Check Register**

Ms. Giles stated the financial statement is on page 26. It's as of June 30th, 2026. It's followed by your assessment receipt schedule on page 38, showing the district's 100% collected. And then on page 40 is your check register for the month of July in the amount of \$195,430.49. I saw no unusual variances with anything on the check register.

On MOTION by Mr. Steiner seconded by Ms. Mifsud with all in favor, the Check Register, was approved.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**Acceptance of the Engagement Letter with
Grau & Associates for the Fiscal Year
2026 Audit**

Ms. Giles stated on page 173 is acceptance of the engagement letter with Grau & Associates for the Fiscal Year 2026 audit report. The engagement letter documents and confirms the auditor's objective and scope to audit the financial statements for the District for the year ending September 2026.

On MOTION by Mr. Steiner seconded by Ms. Mifsud with all in favor, the Engagement Letter with Grau & Associates for the Fiscal Year 2026 Audit, was approved.

Mr. Chairman, this will be included in the minutes when you sign it for DocuSign.

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FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Discussion of the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget

Ms. Giles stated on page 179 is item five discussion of Fiscal Year 2027 budget. Again, this is on the agenda just to give the Board the opportunity to talk about the FY27 budget. We'll have our public hearing at our next meeting. The only thing that changed on this budget since last month is the actuals column. Jay, is there anything that you want to point out on the budget?

Mr. Soriano stated I think we've gone over it enough.

Ms. Giles stated Jay, if you could go to page 194 on the monitors. This is just the side-by-side comparison of the product types for the increase. There's a 3% to 5% range of increase depending on the product type. Any Board discussion?

Ms. Mifsud stated I have a question. I'm just curious about, the trustee fee, does it normally go up that much annually?

Ms. Giles asked what page is that on?

Ms. Mifsud stated it's on page 181. It went from \$15,000 to \$20,250.

Ms. Giles stated let me check the notes here and see if that's related to the bonds.

Mr. Soriano stated that comes from bond payments to the bank.

Mr. Eckert stated it is the U. S. Bank's fee for handling money. But I don't know. Do we have Hancock?

Ms. Giles stated we have Hancock here and it's based on the 2018 and 2022 bonds. I know your accountant monitors these fees, and it looks like she's anticipating an increase from the bank and that's what made her increase that line. Because right now through June 30, you'll see we're sitting at the \$15,000 that we anticipated. So that's what made her increase that.

Ms. Mifsud asked what causes an increase like that?

Ms. Giles stated let me research that.

Mr. Eckert stated no, it's there. It's their fee for handling the money back and forth. That has nothing to do with the interest rate on the bonds or anything like that. And it may be that this is an accounting adjustment but not necessarily based on the fee that they're actually going to charge us for the next year. It's just based on look at the spend rate. I think that's something that you can take a look at. If the board will have time between now and next month when you actually finally adopt the budget, we can get that question answered for you by then. I would say that is a significant increase to go up 25%. I don't usually see that from the banks. Now, if this is Hancock Bank, if they are trustee on that, then that would be something to talk to them about.

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Ms. Giles stated let me find out if it's accounting or the bank, and I'll send that answer out in between the meetings as soon as I get it.

Ms. Mifsud stated thank you.

Ms. Giles asked any other comments? I don't need a motion on that. This is just Board discussion opportunity.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Consideration of Draft Amenity Policies

Ms. Giles stated item six on the agenda is on page 196. And I think we've got the amenity policy how the Board wants it. We move the general provisions from the back of the policy to the front of the policy. The first change you see is on page one, and that's just the date to match today's date. Then, as you scroll down, you'll see that we inserted general policies there on page four. It's in the front. They read that first. Unless there's any other corrections or comments about the amenity facility policy. Just looking for a motion to approve the amenity policy with today's date.

On MOTION by Mr. Steiner seconded by Ms. Mifsud with all in favor, the Draft Amenity Policies, were approved.

Ms. Giles stated we'll make sure we update this on the CDD's website, but then also on the Oakleaf resident page so that they can see it in both places.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Staff Reports

A. District Counsel

Ms. Giles stated item seven on the agenda is District staff reports. We'll start with District Counsel.

Mr. Eckert stated I was trying to look at the minutes really quick. Did I tell you all that the governor vetoed the sovereign immunity bill? Did I tell you that the last meeting?

Ms. Mifsud stated yes.

Mr. Eckert stated then I have no report.

B. District Engineer – Acceptance of the 2025 Annual Engineer's Report

Ms. Giles stated item B is District Engineer. Carl, are you still with us? We heard some beeping on the line.

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Mr. Allen state yes, I'm here.

Ms. Giles stated before I pass this to Carl. DCCM did send us the annual engineers report late last week. We have that. Jay is going to go through that and work with DCCM on a couple items. Carl, anything you want to address on that before Jay does?

Mr. Allen stated no, not really. The one thing that we did notice, that I don't think was on that particular report, you may want to really keep in mind about the pavers on the back portion of the outside. Those pavers, you may need to really look at those in the future because those things were they're pretty questionable whether they're going to be a trip hazard or not. Some of those are in pretty rough shape.

Ms. Giles stated thanks, Carl. We didn't email this to the board yet. Jay was going to go over some of the items on here. I think you'll find Jay's comments are pretty normal. When we get the engineer's report, every once in a while, some of the items are outside the District boundary. Jay was going to go over it first and then we're going to be able to send this out.

Mr. Soriano stated I'll work with DCCM because there are a couple items again on here out in the neighborhood that actually are not ours. I was trying to find them really quick. There are a couple of sidewalks and a couple roads. I think they're all in Whitfield that they were noted those were all county-owned. It's really just the sidewalks and the asphalt that we have here in the amenity centers that are on there. Now, we do have some items that we have to watch. We always watch pavers. But that area back there is definitely a huge area, which the bigger it is, the more chances you're going to have concerns. We have trees planted along there. Kids would like to pull things up. So that one's problematic. If I could figure something else out, I would. I don't know that doing something like making a giant sidewalk is much better. Sidewalks are easier to deal with than pavers on a yearly basis, but then you'll notice in here, every year, we have areas where I have to go through and either grind down sidewalks or fix a crack. This is where the ground is settled below. This isn't a huge area, but it could still be something that could be a trip and fall concern. We have to go through and either patch this or lift this side up. We can do what's called mudjacking. You'll see in commercials where they drill a hole, put foam underneath to help level it out. We can do that on some areas. The sidewalks even, we constantly have repairs. These reports are good. They help point out things that I might not have caught yet or things that are getting bigger. And then we have a year to year track record of this, too. Last year we had many more of these on here. If you saw that we went through the year, kind of check them off the list, got those

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cleared while we did all the rest of our work. And then as soon as we finished up, we meet with them again to do another walk through and find more problems. It would be good for you to look through. If you have any questions on anything you see in there. Some of that are the typical problems that we have to deal with every day. Let me get back into the report and see if I can find it really quick. There was actually one or two at both Districts, and it was actually a slope concern. This is different. We haven't really had this yet. This one here is one I have to actually work with Mike on. Carl, if you want to be on the emails, I can include you. But this is actually from last year. They took pictures, but the statement says the handicapped swings are missing their belts. They were missing their belts when we did the report last year. You clearly see the belts. They're new. These are only about eight months old after we got the reports. I think they just need to correct this kind of stuff, and they'll take off the pointers about the idea. That'll be the one that you accept as our first one for the year. Then, I'll do what I did last year, we'll break up 10 or 20 spots, try to fix those. Get Carl's guys. He'll come through with me and check them off. They'll take pictures and update the report on the website so you can see where it's at. But the one I have concern with, I'll try to describe it really quick while I'm looking for it, it's more of an issue of slope. The reason this is concerning is ADA issues. With the slope concerns, your sidewalk, we don't want too big of a slope downward to one side or the other. That's actually something, when they do construction, that should be checked off by your permit process. No slope can be greater than 2%. This one that was pointed out in the report is actually the sidewalk out front, and that concerns me because that's where everybody gets dropped off at. It's at 4%, so way beyond with what's allowed. My concern with that is it's not from anything like a tree. Our other cracks are sidewalks. Many of us have seen the issues with trees or ground settling. This I just don't think was the best construction. If I were to mudjack or even, crack up the sidewalk and level it back out to the correct 2% or less, your curve sits at the front, the curbs going to be higher. So, now you have a trip hazard or a concern there. This sidewalk, when you go out, you'll see it's nice, flat, no cracks or anything. It's the slope that's a concern. And that may be breaking the whole thing up and rebuilding it. There's not really an easy way to fix that type of concern. I think it might be this one here. Yep. You see where they laid it. This is a nice, flat sidewalk. It's basically a level on the yardstick so they can cover the whole sidewalk. That percentage reading right there is at 4%. We can't even be on two. So, I do have to look at ways to fix that. But like I said, there's not an easy way where with patches, cracks, that's easy. I can fill a patch. I can re-concrete. If I have one that's too bad because of a tree root or

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something, we actually break up the slab and repour. It takes us a day. It's a lot of heavy labor, but it takes us a day. This, rebuilding that whole sidewalk from the curb, would be a lot of work. I got to figure out something we can do for these. But when it comes to ADA violations, that's kind of a bigger thing. We have to get things corrected. In the report, there's going to be lots of little things, lots of cracks here and there. Those are all the things that I have to work on throughout the year, constantly. It's these things that I look for. Anything to me that's structural or we didn't see or could be a bigger repair. That's where these reports come in handy but then points out something we're going to have to do that I didn't expect.

Ms. Mifsud stated the pavers would be an issue as well, wouldn't they?

Mr. Soriano stated yes. We get our Egis inspections too, which is done through our insurance broker. Pavers are a little less of a concern when it comes to the insurance side because there's not the same expectation of being perfectly flat, but there is with sidewalks. And then you get a step farther, you have asphalt walkways and have cracks in it. They don't like cracks in a direction that we allow bikes to get through. There's different expectations. The pavers though, we still have that pipe. If I have a paver that's sticking up way too high, I don't want that trip and fall. But you'll see some in here that the pavers are connected. They're just almost like a cobblestone, or cobblestone walkway. You see it out on this one out front. The pavers are nice and tight and flat. It's where the ground is actually on level underneath of it. So, not a concern for trip and fall the same way, but it's still there. We try to fix those. In areas like this, with this big circle around, that probably wouldn't be as much of a concern. I could come up with a way for us to do a sidewalk there. I think it was supposed to be more decorative. They didn't really want a sidewalk in the middle. People would walk out in front of the road when they're walking on the sidewalk. But people do use that area. I think it was just supposed to be decorative. That out there is a big walkway, and everybody uses it. That is 20 times the size of that right there, so that's a bigger problem. But I'll go through these. Like I said, I'll work with them to make any corrections and things that shouldn't be on the report. We'll send this out to you so that you can have a look at accepting it at the next meeting. Then, I start working on making the repairs.

Ms. Giles stated thanks, Jay. Carl, I'm not sure if you could hear that or not. We're going to table it for now. Jay will reach out to you, and then we'll bring it back in the next agenda.

Mr. Allen stated no that sounds good. Just keep me on any correspondence that you're speaking with Michael. I want to make sure I'm the point of contact moving forward just because

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we're trying to keep a little more consistency, so we have one person that can deal with these issues.

Ms. Giles stated okay, thanks, Carl.

C. District Manager

1. Discussion of the Fiscal Year 2027 Goals & Objectives

Ms. Giles stated the next item on the agenda is District Manager. On page 220 is Fiscal Year 2027 goals and objectives. Just as a reminder, this was a new requirement that was enacted in 2024. Florida statute requires that we set performance measures and standards and have a way to score them. Florida statute do not provide any guidance other than the District establish them. This is staff's recommendations to keep it simple with these goals and objectives in these performance measures. The District certainly can change these. This is what staff recommends. Mike, anything to add to that?

Mr. Eckert stated no, that's good summary.

Ms. Giles stated unless there's any changes, comments, questions, these that are on here are very simple. The District is already meeting these with 100% achieved. So, we kept them the same. Unless there's any comments or changes, I just look for a motion to approve the FY27 goals and objectives.

On MOTION by Ms. Mifsud seconded by Ms. Arnau with all in favor, the Fiscal Year 2027 Goals & Objectives, were approved.

2. Consideration of Designating a Regular Meeting Schedule for Fiscal Year 2027

Ms. Giles stated then on PDF Page 223 is your FY27 meeting schedule. It shows the second Monday of each month there unless otherwise noted. And the two noted the one in March is your spring night meeting that this Board has asked to have. Usually that's where we have any changes to the amenity facility policy. Anything that the District wants to change on the rates, we set that aside for the spring time. And then that September 13 would be your budget adoption at 6:00 p.m.

Ms. Mifsud asked is that August 9 date correct?

Ms. Giles asked why do you think that's off?

Ms. Mifsud because it says 2026.

Ms. Giles stated oh, correct. That should be 2027.

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Mr. Eckert stated also on that one is that one that we can move to 4:00 p.m.?

Ms. Giles stated we can. So, what Mike is mentioning is just like today, your meeting is at 2:00 p.m. and Double Branches at 6:00 p.m. So, for consideration would be if Middle Village would be willing to have their meeting at 4:00 p.m. on the night that Double Branch has theirs at 6:00 p.m., which is that August 9, 2027. Is that something the Board would be willing to consider is to have that one at 4:00 p.m.? Any issues with changing that one to 4:00 p.m.? October 12 is Columbus Day. I do try to look at the holidays in there. Typically, this Board doesn't have an issue with that holiday. Flag Day is June 14. Unless there's any concerns with either of those holidays, just looking for a motion to approve the FY27 meeting schedule with corrections made on the record.

On MOTION by Ms. Steiner seconded by Mr. Marx with all in favor, Designating a Regular Meeting Schedule for Fiscal Year 2027, were approved as amended.

D. Operations Manager – Memorandum

Ms. Giles stated Jay's report starts on page 225.

Mr. Soriano stated we have had quite a bit of summertime events in the last week or so. We have our last dive in and that's going to be on this side. This next month we will have one more dive in for the summer series at your sister District. So, Double Branch will have the last one. We did also have our back to school parties this weekend and your pool was packed. The other one was busy, but nowhere like this one. Good weather yesterday. It's a late afternoon, but it was extremely hot. They were out here having lots of fun with the DJ and getting free pizza and snow cones. That worked out pretty well. We gave away our school supplies and prizes. Everybody had lots of fun. We do have one more big event out here, it is our full band. We have a live music out here on the pool deck. This one coming up this Friday is actually at Double Branch. But then we have one more here. I believe it's September. So, the pools are pretty much slowing down for the kids. That'll be nice because that's one that we really like to be more adult oriented. We don't tell the families they can't come, but we really discourage it. The pools are still open until the second weekend, I think, of October, we have available. They'll still be open to the family, but we usually try to get them, and the other pool open that night. It's normally Friday, Saturday, Sunday. We'll get them to go to the pools over at your sister District so the adults can enjoy themselves here. That

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is the full band. That is also the same way this week over at your sister District, they have the full band. I like that because they have more spread of music. It's a little tough to get a lot of different types of music in that. But hopefully everybody will enjoy. Then, we get into our holiday. After we get rid of our summertime things, a lot of music, the last dive in, everything will go back to Double Branch where we get movies out on the green every month until we get back to summertime next year with spring break, which is usually our first movies at the pool. Then, just to mention that with this slow down now that they're back in school this week, the schedules do change. Today this pool was closed, and I was out here working during the day. I had one family that came out and didn't realize we were starting this week. They didn't realize it was back to school this week. They just didn't realize we were starting that drop down schedule. But she was fine. Kids went over to the other side, and the other side is open today. Tomorrow this side will be open and that side will close down, and we alternate week-to-week. Then, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, like I said, both facilities are actually open. This is the account for usage. This is the highest we've been since we really started using the computers. This place does get really, really busy, especially when it's this hot. So 300 different people here on average throughout the day. But that's everywhere. It's not just the pools. I say that and people say that's a lot of people. 300, if you've been out here when it's really busy, having a couple of people in that pool is not that hard. When we have a swim meet, we can actually get between 500 and 700 people out there and it does get packed and we're still able to handle it, but it's the normal usage. This is our basketball courts, our tennis courts, people just going to the gym. This is the busiest we've been since I've been able to track it since we've been using the check-in stations everywhere. I would say that years ago we were really busy before 2020. That kind of changed things. They've come back but still have changed. People don't like to be in packed areas. But, even tracking it, I don't know that we've ever been that busy. Double Branch was close, but not that close. So, this right here does help me to make sure when I'm talking to residents, there is a reason we have all of our rules on how many guests we can bring or how we get them to go about making sure they're proving residency. I did actually have one this last week that called me every day. She really wanted the exception for his wife. The problem was she doesn't have any identification whatsoever. She's not here legally. I talked to him about that. That's the problem. She's not legal. I'm not giving you anything extra to help along. If you can do me a favor and give me some of these other things. I did have an immigration lawyer write me a letter, but the immigration lawyer said that she does not reside in

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the United States, which creates a problem for our residents. You can be checked in as a guest. She's never really going to be here on her own. And if she lives in another country and just visits, she's your wife, if she just visits, you can get her a guest pass. He understood that. So that falls into the rules, and that's what I do with them. I have them call me. I can't really bend the rules, but what I can do is get them to fall into the rules we have so that when our people are really using the pools, it's for our residents. But that will drop down drastically as you've seen today. If you're at either facility, once those kids go back to school, it's really slow. This is the end of the year, so the excitement's not as much either. We hit 3:00 p.m., it's not like they're rushing out to get into the pool. They're usually doing something else. Soccer, basketball, baseball, things like that. Our rentals are staying pretty high. I did want to let you know we received the playgrounds. Not this Friday, but Friday before, they were dropped off. We are starting over there first, just because that's where I had them dropped off. They started breaking down the one playground at Double Branch, and we'll build that one. Hopefully we'll be done the end of this week, if not beginning next week, and then we'll move over here. The playground you purchased, we'll be repairing and replacing the Whitfield playground. We'll start that one next after we're done. Unless there's any questions on some of the other repair items, that was really it for me. It will be nice now that the kids are out of the way, we can get some of the other projects that we just can't do, or we get pulled away because we need to fix something for the pool to be open that day or at the center just because it's busy during the summer. This allows us to get back to some of those other projects that we may have put on hold before the start of summer. Unless there's any other questions, that was really it for me.

Mr. Marx asked do we have communications yet for the Christmas Parade?

Mr. Soriano stated no, they haven't reached out to me. I think they kind of understood it after last year that we really didn't want to do it. We'll see, in the next month or so, if they reach out and I'll let you know. If you notice our food truck camp has gotten bigger on the weekends, out at the roundabout. I try to remind people that we don't actually have ownership there, so I can't do anything. Some people like it, some people don't. The ones that don't will call us and ask us to kick them out. I can't do anything. They are on the county's property basically. When I talked to the county, the county said you can fill out a complaint with code enforcement. It doesn't really get far. Then, when you fill out the complaint with code enforcement, it's still not a complaint against the owner. The county's the owner. They really need to do something.

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Mr. Steiner stated Jay, have you had any more dialogue on where we were approached about nine resident passes?

Mr. Soriano stated yes. She hasn't paid us, but the marketing representative from Pulte did reach out. She was the one that was talking to us when I mentioned it to you last. They did ask to start off with purchasing two households for two years. So, \$8,800. Pretty good. That all goes into O&M. Does that add a little bit to our usage? Yeah, it does. But I don't know that those people would use it every day. But, they haven't responded with they are ready to buy them.

Mr. Steiner stated and the understanding of the fact is they buy it how it is January 1?

Mr. Soriano stated yeah. They did ask what would happen if we bought it now, but we don't sell the house. So, the next, in November or December, I'm fine with letting them start January 1 I'm starting the very first day, but that still means if that house moves in December 1, they can still use it until January 1, but then that purchase price is for a full calendar year. So, I told them I can't do anything if let's say you sell a house in February, I'm not going to give you all the way to the end of the year wait and start over again in January, for one year. You're going to have to start then. Just like anybody else, that would come up, they come to us, it's for the calendar year January 1. They were understanding of everything and the rules that we gave them. I just don't know, I think it was an incentive to try to sell some of the last bit of houses. But if you've seen over there, they're developing quick. I think they're selling pretty quick too.

Mr. Steiner stated yeah I was just curious is anything new because we had ads published, we've got that new shopping center and all coming in.

Mr. Soriano stated that would be the biggest chunk.

Ms. Giles stated thanks, Jay.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Audience Comments (limited to three minutes) / Supervisor Requests

Ms. Giles stated item eight on the agenda is audience comments and Supervisor's request. Mr. Chairman, who would you like to go first?

Mr. Steiner stated audience.

Ms. Giles stated public comments.

Resident Lorita Smoak stated I just wanted to express my gratitude for whoever helped me in my petitions for Clay County Commissioner District Two. I am now qualified and my election happens November 3. I just wanted to express my gratitude for your help.

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Ms. Giles stated can you state your name for the record.

Resident Lorita Smoak stated Lorita Smoak, candidate for Clay County Commissioner District Two.

Ms. Giles stated thank you. Supervisors? Anything?

Ms. Mifsud stated I don't have anything.

Ms. Giles stated Julie? Ken? Eric?

Ms. Arnau stated no.

Mr. Steiner stated I'm going back up. Did we need to go ahead and put it under the issue with the MRUs and the new stuff coming from the county?

Mr. Soriano stated it was just a question. So many of you received a letter from the county this last week. I received them for my homes too. But I had a question. If you're familiar, Mike, or if we can get any information that we'll be able to send out to residents or if they come in. Because here you are going to be increasing. We might get one or two people. It's not a huge increase. So, I hope we won't have a lot of people. But whenever there's anything, somebody may show up at next month's meeting. But then they are also going to ask you questions, even though you don't have anything to do with it, about the county increase. And that's for the stormwater system. They're asking for an increase to our county taxes to cover stormwater maintenance. My question was, because I do have homes in different areas here, so they were exactly the same, whether I was in the CDD or not. So my concern was if we know anything about how they came up with their methodology for that, when the CDD already covers, it's cost for stormwater. And we don't do the maintenance on the roads, but we are expecting to handle everything else. But when I looked at the methodology, they would have seen whether it was at the house in the CDD or the house that wasn't in the CDD. So, I didn't quite understand how they were doing that. You know, just in case we get that question.

Mr. Eckert stated yeah. So, there's an existing stormwater fee that they levy already and they're increasing it? They're not imposing it for the first time?

Mr. Steiner stated according to the letter, it is an increase. So, I'm going to assume that yes, there is.

Mr. Eckert stated when Polk County was looking at this, I think we were able to, and they ended up not pulling the trigger on this, but we were able to advocate for a reduction for residents where you're taking care of all the stormwater within your own community. It still doesn't mean

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like an exemption because you're still driving on county roads outside that have stormwater issues and things like that. But I can look at that, and I can give the county attorney a call.

Mr. Soriano stated that's actually what I was looking for is that there was something that made sense that we should be paying less since we already paid to the CDD. And that's a big part of what CDD does, the stormwater infrastructure. But when I was looking at the letters, I couldn't see it, but I don't know if that was mentioned in the county meetings. I didn't attend those county meetings where they made that decision. So I just didn't know if you had any information, but yeah, that would be great.

Mr. Eckert stated no, I didn't get the letter, but I think Marilee just sent it to me, so I'll take a look at it. It's not an uncommon issue that we deal with.

Mr. Steiner stated this was just a background issue that I wasn't aware of the disparity between the two areas. I was only remarking about the fact that we made effort to keep our increase very low. But now the county beat us sort of putting it out there, and theirs is not going to be quite as low as what we did.

Mr. Eckert stated yeah that there's, and I'm not talking about Clay County, but other counties throughout the state right now, there's a lot of strange stuff going on based on perceptions of fears based on the November election in terms of the property tax issue. So, we're seeing counties where we build a six-lane road on county property and the county has said, yeah, we're not going to accept your maintenance bond until 2027 because we don't think we're going to have money to maintain it four years from now. It's like we have an agreement. We've built the road. We're ready to give it to you. And they've said, yeah, we're going to wait for a while, which means we maintain it. And then we buy the maintenance bond and we maintain it during the period of the maintenance bond, and then maybe they'll take it at that point. But again, not Clay County, it's a different county, but we're seeing that throughout the state. There's some just kind of, there's a lot of ideas being floated around right now on how to replace revenue, not cut revenue.

Ms. Giles stated thanks, Mike. Mr. Chairman, anything else?

NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

**Next Scheduled Meeting – September 14,
2026 @ 2:00 p.m. at the Plantation Oaks
Amenity Center**

Ms. Giles stated item nine on the agenda is our next meeting is scheduled for September 14, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. here at the same location.

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TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Adjournment

Ms. Giles stated unless there is anything else, I look for a motion to adjourn.

On MOTION by Ms. Mifsud seconded by Mr. Steiner with all in favor the meeting was adjourned.

Signed by:

Marilee Giles

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Secretary/Assistant Secretary

Signed by:

Sherrie R. Mifsud

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Chairman/Vice Chairman