



**GROVE
COMMUNITY DISTRICT**

**OKEECHOBEE COUNTY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
& PUBLIC HEARING
SEPTEMBER 7, 2021
2:00 P.M.**

Special District Services, Inc.
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AGENDA
GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT
Eagle Bay Conference Room
South Florida Water Management District
316 NW 5th Street
Okeechobee, Florida 34972
REGULAR BOARD MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING
September 7, 2021
2:00 p.m.

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Publication Date
2021-08-18

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Notice of Public Hearing
and Regular Board Meeting of the
Grove Community District

The Board of Supervisors of the Grove Community District (the "District") will hold a Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting on September 7, 2021, at 2:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as can be heard, in the Eagle Bay Conference Room of the South Florida Water Management District located at 316 NW 5th Street, Okeechobee, Florida 34972.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive public comment on the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Proposed Final Budget of the District. The purpose of the Regular Board Meeting is for the Board to consider any other business which may properly come before it. A copy of the Budget and/or the Agenda may be obtained from the District's website or at the offices of the District Manager, Special District Services, Inc., 2501A Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410, during normal business hours. The meetings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. Meetings may be continued as found necessary to a time and place specified on the record.

There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors will participate by telephone; therefore, a speaker telephone will be present at the meeting location so that Supervisors may be fully informed of the discussions taking place.

In accordance with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations or an interpreter to participate at these meetings should contact the District Manager at (561) 630-4922 and/or toll free at 1-877-737-4922, at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the meetings. If any person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at this Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting, such person will need a record of the proceedings and such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made at their own expense and which record includes the testimony and evidence on which the appeal is based.

Meetings may be cancelled from time to time without advertised notice.

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GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MAY 4, 2021

A. CALL TO ORDER

Michael McElligott of Special District Services, Inc. called the May 4, 2021, Regular Board Meeting of the Grove Community District to order at 2:00 p.m. at the Eagle Bay Conference Room, South Florida Water Management District, 316 NW 5th Street, Okeechobee, FL 34972.

B. PROOF OF PUBLICATION

Mr. McElligott presented proof of publication that the Regular Board Meeting was published in *The Okeechobee News* on October 25, 2021, as legally required.

C. ESTABLISH QUORUM

Mr. McElligott determined that the attendance of Supervisors Craig Linton, Jr., Curt McDowell, Tyler Pugh, and H. M. Ridgely constituted a quorum and it was in order to proceed with the meeting.

Also in attendance were: District Manager Michael McElligott of Special District Services, Inc.

D. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

E. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There was no public comment.

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. November 3, 2020, Regular Board Meeting & Public Hearing

Mr. Ridgely made a correction to section K, item 1, specifying that there were 2 \$3 million grants, not 1, for a total of \$6 million.

The minutes of the November 3, 2020, Regular Board Meeting & Public Hearing were approved on a **motion** made by Mr. McDowell, seconded by Mr. Linton and unanimously passed as amended.

G. OLD BUSINESS

GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MAY 4, 2021

1. Update on Water Farming Project, and the Longer-Term Grove Land Reservoir and Stormwater Treatment Area Dispersed Water Project with SFWMD.

Mr. Ridgely provided an update with regards to the Dispersed Water Project. He explained that contracts were signed in December of 2018 and they have permits issued. Contractors have begun work on the pump stations and berms.

The Groveland Revisor & Stormwater Treatment Area has received \$7 million so far through 2020 and they have a request in for additional funds.

There was a brief discussion among the Board members, but there was no action required by the Board.

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider Resolution No. 2021-01 – Adopting a Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Proposed Budget

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT APPROVING A PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. McElligott presented proposed budget for the 2021/2022 fiscal year with a recommended date of September 7th to hold the public hearing to adopt the Final Budget.

After a brief discussion, a **motion** was made by Mr. McDowell, seconded by Mr. Ridgely, and passed unanimously to approve Resolution No. 2021-01, as presented.

2. Consider Resolution No. 2021-02 – E-Verify Memorandum of Understanding

Mr. McElligott presented Resolution No. 2021-02, entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT DIRECTING THE DISTRICT MANAGER TO REGISTER THE DISTRICT WITH AND USE THE E-VERIFY SYSTEM PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 448.095, FLORIDA STATUTES; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE

GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MAY 4, 2021

EVERIFY MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR EMPLOYERS BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (DHS); PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. McElligott explained E-Verify and MOU to the Board. After a brief discussion, a **motion** was made by Mr. McDowell, seconded by Mr. Linton, and passed unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 2021-02, as presented.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Legal Report

Mr. Van Assenderp explained to the Board the need for a future workshop meeting to go over with the Board the powers and benefits the Grove Community District can provide as these projects start to come to fruition. Mr. Van Assenderp did explain that while it would be a workshop meeting it would still need to be advertised so we would need to pick a date and time certain in the future to have this meeting.

J. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

There were no additional Board Member's comments.

K. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, A motion was made by Mr. Pugh, seconded by Mr. Linton, and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

Chair/Vice-Chair

Secretary/Assistant Secretary

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RESOLUTION NO. 2021-03

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT
ADOPTING A FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022 BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the Grove Community District (“District”) is in good legal standing and, to date, because the landowners are not yet developing the real property within the District, has not acquired or constructed any infrastructure system, facility and service;

WHEREAS, the District has no such infrastructure to operate, to maintain or to finance;

WHEREAS, the District, in order to remain in good legal standing, has retained minimal staffing to notice and to conduct its two required board hearings and meetings (to approve the Manager’s proposed budget and subsequently to adopt the approved budget);

WHEREAS, the District approved the budget by Resolution 2021-01 and hereby noticed the adoption hearing for September 7, 2021 to consider Resolution 2021-03; and,

WHEREAS, the landowner developer annually funds the adopted budget and has agreed to fund the approved budget if duly adopted limited to the amount of that adopted budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT THAT:

Section 1. The whereas clauses are true and accurate and incorporated herein as dispositive.

Section 2. The Final Budget and a summary or copy of the applicable Developer Funding Agreement for Fiscal Year 2021/2022 attached hereto as Exhibit “A” is approved;

Section 3. The Secretary of the District is authorized to execute any and all necessary transmittals, certifications or other acknowledgements or writings, as necessary, to comply with the intent of this Resolution including effecting and administering the funding agreement with the developer.

PASSED, ADOPTED and EFFECTIVE this 7th day of September, 2021.

ATTEST:

**GROVE
COMMUNITY DISTRICT**

By: _____
Secretary/Assistant Secretary

By: _____
Chairperson/Vice Chairperson

Grove
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**Final Budget For
Fiscal Year 2021/2022
October 1, 2021 - September 30, 2022**

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FINAL BUDGET
GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT
FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022
OCTOBER 1, 2021 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

	FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022 BUDGET
REVENUES	
O&M Assessments	0
Developer Contribution	9,925
Debt Assessments	0
Interest Income	0
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 9,925
EXPENDITURES	
Supervisor Fees	0
Engineering/Inspections	0
Management	6,000
Legal	2,000
Assessment Roll	0
Audit Fees	0
Insurance	0
Legal Advertisements	625
Miscellaneous	575
Dues & Subscriptions	175
Arbitrage Rebate Fee	0
Trustee Fee	0
Continuing Disclosure Fee	0
Website Management	550
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 9,925
REVENUES LESS EXPENDITURES	\$ -
Bond Payments	0
BALANCE	\$ -
County Appraiser & Tax Collector Fee	0
Discounts For Early Payments	0
EXCESS/ (SHORTFALL)	\$ -

DETAILED FINAL BUDGET
GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT
FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022
OCTOBER 1, 2021 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

	FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020 ACTUAL	FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021 BUDGET	FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022 BUDGET	COMMENTS
REVENUES				
O&M Assessments	0	0	0	
Developer Contribution	6,958	9,950	9,925	Developer Contribution
Debt Assessments	0	0	0	
Interest Income	0	0	0	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 6,958	\$ 9,950	\$ 9,925	
EXPENDITURES				
Supervisor Fees	0	0	0	
Engineering/Inspections	0	0	0	
Management	6,000	6,000	6,000	No Change From 2020/2021 Budget
Legal	0	2,000	2,000	No Change From 2020/2021 Budget
Assessment Roll	0	0	0	
Audit Fees	0	0	0	
Insurance	0	0	0	
Legal Advertisements	208	625	625	No Change From 2020/2021 Budget
Miscellaneous	25	600	575	\$25 Decrease From 2020/2021 Budget
Dues & Subscriptions	175	175	175	No Change From 2020/2021 Budget
Arbitrage Rebate Fee	0	0	0	
Trustee Fee	0	0	0	
Continuing Disclosure Fee	0	0	0	
Website Management	550	550	550	No Change From 2020/2021 Budget
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 6,958	\$ 9,950	\$ 9,925	
REVENUES LESS EXPENDITURES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Bond Payments	0	0	0	
BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
County Appraiser & Tax Collector Fee	0	0	0	
Discounts For Early Payments	0	0	0	
EXCESS/ (SHORTFALL)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT, ESTABLISHING A REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022 AND SETTING THE TIME AND LOCATION OF SAID DISTRICT MEETINGS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Grove Community District ("District") to establish a regular meeting schedule for fiscal year 2021/2022; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the District has set a regular meeting schedule, location and time for District meetings for fiscal year 2021/2022 which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit "A".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT, OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The above recitals are hereby adopted.

Section 2. The regular meeting schedule, time and location for meetings for fiscal year 2021/2022 which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is hereby adopted and authorized to be published.

PASSED, ADOPTED and EFFECTIVE this 7th day of September, 2021.

ATTEST:

**GROVE
COMMUNITY DISTRICT**

By: _____
Secretary/Assistant Secretary

By: _____
Chairperson/Vice Chairperson

**GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT
FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022 REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Supervisors of the Grove Community District will hold Regular Meetings in the Eagle Bay Conference Room of the South Florida Water Management District located at 316 NW 5th Street, Okeechobee, Florida 34972, at 2:00 p.m. on the following dates:

**November 2, 2021
January 4, 2022
May 3, 2022
September 6, 2022**

The purpose of the meetings is to conduct any business coming before the Board. Meetings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. A copy of the Agenda for any of the meetings may be obtained from the District's website or by contacting the District Manager at (561) 630-4922 and/or toll free at 1-877-737-4922.

From time to time one or more Supervisors may participate by telephone; therefore a speaker telephone will be present at the meeting location so that Supervisors may be fully informed of the discussions taking place. Said meetings may be continued as found necessary to a time and place specified on the record.

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Meetings may be cancelled from time to time without advertised notice.

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PUBLISH: LAKE OKEECHOBEE NEWS 00/00/2021

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT AUTHORIZING AND ADOPTING AN AMENDED FINAL FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021 BUDGET (“AMENDED BUDGET”), PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 189, FLORIDA STATUTES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Grove Community District (“District”) is empowered to provide a funding source and to impose special assessments upon the properties within the District; and,

WHEREAS, the District has prepared for consideration and approval an Amended Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT, THAT:

Section 1. The Amended Budget for Fiscal Year 2020/2021 attached hereto as Exhibit “A” is hereby approved and adopted.

Section 2. The Secretary/Assistant Secretary of the District is authorized to execute any and all necessary transmittals, certifications or other acknowledgements or writings, as necessary, to comply with the intent of this Resolution.

PASSED, ADOPTED and EFFECTIVE this 7th day of September, 2021.

ATTEST:

**GROVE
COMMUNITY DISTRICT**

By: _____
Secretary/Assistant Secretary

By: _____
Chairperson/Vice Chairperson

Grove
Community District

**Amended Final Budget For
Fiscal Year 2020/2021
October 1, 2020 - September 30, 2021**

AMENDED FINAL BUDGET
GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT
FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021
OCTOBER 1, 2020 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

	FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020 BUDGET 10/1/20 - 9/30/21	AMENDED FINAL BUDGET 10/1/20 - 9/30/21	YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL 10/1/20 - 8/31/21
REVENUES			
O & M Assessments	0	0	0
Debt Assessments	0	0	0
Developer Contribution	9,950	9,250	6,744
Interest Income	0	0	0
Total Revenues	\$ 9,950	\$ 9,250	\$ 6,744
EXPENDITURES			
Supervisor Fees	0	0	0
Engineering/Inspections	0	0	0
Management	6,000	6,000	5,500
Legal	2,000	1,500	0
Assessment Roll	0	0	0
Audit Fees	0	0	0
Insurance	0	0	0
Legal Advertisements	625	625	266
Miscellaneous	600	400	298
Dues & Subscriptions	175	175	175
Arbitrage Rebate Fee	0	0	0
Trustee Fee	0	0	0
Continuing Disclosure Fee	0	0	0
Website Management	550	550	505
Total Expenditures	\$ 9,950	\$ 9,250	\$ 6,744
Net Excess/ (Shortfall)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

FUND BALANCE AS OF 9/30/20
FY 2020/2021 ACTIVITY
FUND BALANCE AS OF 9/30/21

\$6
\$0
\$6