



**GROVE
COMMUNITY DISTRICT**

**OKEECHOBEE COUNTY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

MAY 2, 2023

2:00 P.M.

**Special District Services, Inc.
The Oaks Center
2501A Burns Road
Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410**

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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
May 2, 2023
2:00 p.m.

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Lake Okeechobee News
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Okeechobee, FL 34972
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STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF OKEECHOBEE

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared **Katrina Elsken Muros**, who on oath says that she is **Editor in Chief** of the **Lake Okeechobee News**, a weekly newspaper published in **Okeechobee County, Florida**; that the attached copy of advertisement, being a **Public Notice** in the matter of

Public Notice

in the **19th Judicial District of the Circuit Court of Okeechobee County, Florida**, was published in said newspaper in the issues of

10/26/22

(Print Dates)

or by publication on the newspaper's website, if authorized, on

10/26/22, 10/27/22, 10/28/22, 10/29/22, 10/30/22, 10/31/22, 11/01/22

(Website Dates)

Affiant further says that the newspaper complies with all legal requirements for publication in Chapter 50, Florida Statutes.

**GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT
FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 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 1, 2022
January 3, 2023
May 2, 2023
September 5, 2023

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.

If any person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at these meetings, such person will need a record of the proceedings and such person may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made at his or her own expense and which record includes the testimony and evidence on which the appeal is based.

In accordance with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations or an interpreter to participate at any of 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 particular meeting.

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

GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT
www.grovecdd.org
565776 LON 10/26/2022


Katrina Elsken Muros

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of
 Physical Presence Online Notarization
physical presence or online notarization, this
26th day of October, 2022.




(Signature of Notary Public)
STAMP OF NOTARY PUBLIC

GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 1, 2022

A. CALL TO ORDER

District Manager Michael McElligott called the November 1, 2022, Regular Board Meeting and Public Hearing of the Grove Community District to order at 2:10 p.m. at the South Florida Water Management District Service Center, 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 5, 2022 & October 12, 2022, as legally required.

C. SEAT NEW BOARD MEMBERS

It was announced H.M. Ridgely III, Craig McDowell, and Susanne Clemons were elected Board Supervisors.

D. ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE & REVIEW BOARD MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES

Michael McElligott administered the Oath of Office, and reviewed Board Member responsibilities.

E. ESTABLISH QUORUM

Mr. McElligott determined that the attendance of Supervisors H. M. Ridgely, Tyler Pugh, Susanne Clemons, Curt McDowell, and Craig Linton, Jr 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. and General Counsel Ken van Assenderp via phone.

F. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following slate of officers was selected on a **motion** made by Mr. Linton, seconded by Mrs. Clemons. The **motion** carried unanimously.

Chairman	H.M. Ridgely III
Vice Chairman	Curt McDowell
Secretary/Treasury	Michael McElligott
Assistant Secretaries	Craig Linton, Jr. Tyler Pugh, and Susanne Clemons

G. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

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NOVEMBER 1, 2022

There were no additions or deletions.

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

None.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. September 6, 2022, Regular Board Meeting

The minutes of the September 6, 2022, Regular Board Meeting, as presented, were approved on a **motion** made by Ms. Clemons, seconded by Mr. Linton and unanimously passed.

J. OLD BUSINESS

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

Mr. Ridgely updated the Board on the projects. The Dispersed Water Project has now been operational since November 6th, of 2021. The original projection was to store 29,000 gallons and it has actually accepted 49,000 gallons, so the project is very successful so far. The Grove Land Reservoir and Stormwater Treatment Area Project got approved for an additional \$6 million for design and plans. Once we receive the additional \$6 million, which will bring the total to \$19 million, the design and plans should be ready to put out for construction. They are hoping to start moving dirt in 2025. The current plan would be to have the Grove CD manage the project.

There was no action for the Board to take at this time.

K. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider Resolution No. 2022-04 – Adopting an Amended Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2021/2022

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-04

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

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NOVEMBER 1, 2022

Mr. McElligott presented the amended budget for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2022, and recommended approval of the resolution.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Linton, seconded by Mrs. Clemons, and passed unanimously to approve Resolution No. 2022-04, as presented.

L. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Legal Report

Mr. Van Assenderp stated he has nothing further to add.

M. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

There were no additional Board Member's comments.

N. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Chair/Vice-Chair

Secretary/Assistant Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT APPROVING A PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors (“Board”) of the Grove Community District (“District”) is required by Chapter 190.008, *Florida Statutes*, to approve a Proposed Budget for each fiscal year; and,

WHEREAS, the Proposed Budget including the Assessments for Fiscal Year 2023/2024 has been prepared and considered by the Board.

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

Section 1. The Proposed Budget including the Assessments for Fiscal Year 2023/2024 attached hereto as Exhibit “A” is approved.

Section 2. A Public Hearing is hereby scheduled for _____, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. in the Eagle Bay Conference Room of the South Florida Water Management District located at 316 NW 5th Street, Okeechobee, Florida 34972, for the purpose of receiving public comments on the Proposed Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Budget.

PASSED, ADOPTED and EFFECTIVE this 2nd day of May, 2023.

ATTEST:

GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT

By: _____
Secretary/Assistant Secretary

By: _____
Chairman/Vice Chairman

Grove
Community District

**Proposed Budget For
Fiscal Year 2023/2024
October 1, 2023 - September 30, 2024**

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PROPOSED BUDGET
GROVE COMMUNITY DISTRICT
FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024
OCTOBER 1, 2023 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 BUDGET
REVENUES	
O&M Assessments	0
Developer Contribution	9,875
Debt Assessments	0
Interest Income	0
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 9,875
EXPENDITURES	
Supervisor Fees	0
Engineering/Inspections	0
Management	6,000
Legal	2,000
Assessment Roll	0
Audit Fees	0
Insurance	0
Legal Advertisements	600
Miscellaneous	550
Dues & Subscriptions	175
Arbitrage Rebate Fee	0
Trustee Fee	0
Continuing Disclosure Fee	0
Website Management	550
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 9,875
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 2023/2024
OCTOBER 1, 2023 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

	FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022 ACTUAL	FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 BUDGET	FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 BUDGET	COMMENTS
REVENUES				
O&M Assessments	0	0	0	
Developer Contribution	7,235	9,900	9,875	Developer Contribution
Debt Assessments	0	0	0	
Interest Income	0	0	0	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 7,235	\$ 9,900	\$ 9,875	
EXPENDITURES				
Supervisor Fees	0	0	0	
Engineering/Inspections	0	0	0	
Management	6,000	6,000	6,000	No Change From 2022/2023 Budget
Legal	0	2,000	2,000	No Change From 2022/2023 Budget
Assessment Roll	0	0	0	
Audit Fees	0	0	0	
Insurance	0	0	0	
Legal Advertisements	245	625	600	\$25 Decrease From 2022/2023 Budget
Miscellaneous	265	550	550	No Change From 2022/2023 Budget
Dues & Subscriptions	175	175	175	No Change From 2022/2023 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 2022/2023 Budget
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 7,235	\$ 9,900	\$ 9,875	
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)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	