

**PINELLAS PARK WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**  
**6460 35<sup>TH</sup> STREET N**  
**PINELLAS PARK, FL 33781-6221**  
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**January 19, 2017**  
**Regular Authority Meeting # 2**  
**MINUTES**

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director  
 Jennifer Cowan, Attorney  
 Mitch Chiavaroli, McKim & Creed  
 Karen Lowe, CDM Smith  
 Priscilla Sale, CDM Smith  
 Mike Silcott, Resident  
 Edward Kosinski, Resident  
 Lisa Atkinson, PPWMD

Chairman Charles Tingler called to order the Regular Authority Meeting # 2 for January 19, 2017 at 5:30 P.M.

**ROLL CALL**

Mr. Taylor - Present  
 Mr. Farrell - Present  
 Mr. Tingler – Present

Randal A. Roberts stated that the agenda is a little cleaned up and announced that members of the public will have an opportunity to make public comments on each agenda item during the time the agenda item is considered. Then at the end of the meeting if they have anything that is not on the agenda, they are welcome to speak.

**MINUTES**

Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Authority Meeting #1 held on November 17, 2016. Second was made by Mr. Tingler

No discussion. Roll Call:

Voting Aye: Mr. Taylor, and Mr. Tingler

**MOTION APPROVED**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**11-17-2015**

**CHANNEL 1AW – RENEWAL FROM 58<sup>TH</sup> STREET TO**

Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated in your packet under the channel tab, there is a picture looking west on Channel 1AW off 58<sup>th</sup> street on the south side of the channel; this area we had repaired last year for about \$10,000. Karen Lowe and I met with All American Concrete to see if it could be fixed; it is estimated to be a \$60,000 to \$80,000 repair. Mr. Roberts stated he would not recommend spending any more money on repairs to this channel. In the budget, I am recommending to move some money around. The Channel 1AW Renewal From 58<sup>th</sup> Street to Channel #1Project (14-07) is at 90% design and should have the bid documents by March. The Channel 1C Phase 2 Renewal from 90<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 94<sup>th</sup> Avenue Project (10-08), is behind schedule and are waiting for Duke Energy to relocate the power lines. In the attached budget, I am recommending some adjustments to the budget. If you look at Channel 1C Phase 2 Project, highlighted in yellow, the construction costs and the engineering costs are estimated to be almost identical to Channel 1AW Project; the Channel 1AW Project was going to be a project for next year, so I recommend that we move this project ahead of Channel 1C Phase 2 Project, instead of putting in the money to make this repair and then tear it out next year if we choose to approve that project for next year. The Channel 1C Phase 2 Project doesn't appear that Duke Energy will be out there for 3 to 4 months at the earliest; Mitch Chiavaroli stated they are hoping to be completed by the rainy season. Mr. Roberts stated that we are looking at April or May before Duke Energy starts the relocation of the power lines. Mr. Roberts stated that the Channel 1C Phase 2 Project will probably be going into the next budget year anyway. Mr. Taylor asked about photos on Channel 1AW failure; Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated the channel was redone in approximately 2003-2005. The project consisted of placing fabric, compacting material, reshaping the banks and sodding. The picture shows the vertical line approximately two foot off the fence, the fabric gave way, sunk and sluffed off. Mr. Tingler asked what the proposed project on Channel 1AW consisted of? Mr. Roberts stated the channel is going to be concrete lined, we are 90% design and we have SWFWMD Permit. Mr. Farrell asked about the area that failed what does embankment look like? Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated that the embankment shifted and pushed into the canal. Mr. Farrell stated down from that it does look good. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated there is another section on the north side at the end that has done the same thing, but it did hold up during the last storm. This was on the Long-Range Facility Report to concrete line 1AW from 58<sup>th</sup> to 60<sup>th</sup> Street. Karen Lowe, stated that instead of using the minor repair project to correct this failure and then come back later, we are recommending moving this project up, and do the concrete lining and slope failure repair at the same time. Mr. Roberts confirmed that both sides of Channel 1AW all the way from 58<sup>th</sup> to 60<sup>th</sup> Street approximately 700 linear feet are proposed to be concrete lined. These projects are in the Long-Range Facility Report and in the past we have tried different mechanisms for these larger ditches to stabilize the banks with concrete lining being the more permanent method. Mr. Farrell added that the work we are getting ready to do is to correct what we did in 2005. Mitch Chiavaroli stated that the concrete panel lining that is proposed is like what we are doing on other channels, it was proposed for FY 2018. It is lined at 58<sup>th</sup> Street under the bridge all the way out to Tingler Park. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated there is money in the budget for Channel 1C Phase 2 Renewal from 90<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 94<sup>th</sup> Avenue Project (10-08). Mr. Roberts is recommending to move \$3,100,000.00 into the Channel 1AW Renewal From 58<sup>th</sup> Street to Channel #1Project (14-07) from the Channel 1C Phase 2 Renewal from 90<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 94<sup>th</sup> Avenue Project (10-08).

**03-21-15**

**CHANNEL 1AW – REPAIR AT SKYVIEW POOL (14-06)**

Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated that project is going to out to bid January 20, 2017 and will be advertised for two weeks. Karen Lowe, PPWMD Engineer, stated there will be a mandatory site visit on February 8, 2017, with bids due two weeks following the mandatory site visit. Karen Lowe, PPWMD Engineer, stated we will have the bid review and recommendations for award of bid for the next board meeting. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated that we will get a better gauge on what these projects will cost as well.

**09-18-14****CHANNEL 1C – RENEWAL FROM 98<sup>TH</sup> AVE. TO CONFLUENCE OF CH 1 (10-08)**

Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated that we are still waiting for Duke Energy to relocate the power poles prior to construction.

**01-15-2015****CHANNEL 4 - PANEL REPLACEMENT (10-19)**

Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated this is one of the projects that I'm wanting to put on hold; this project is the one that Geoview did the report on. We had a failure on Channel 1B5; that I am recommending to transfer funds from this project to the 1B5 Panel Replacement Project (17-01).

**01-21-2016****DISTRICT'S MODERNIZATION PROGRAM**

Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated that we are up and running with our gauge equipment. We have invited the city to meet either next week or the week after to get them on board should they want to use this information during storms and to get an understanding on what is entailed.

**01-19-2017****CHANNEL 4 – CABLE MAT REPLACEMENT (16-01)**

Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated that we did receive the check from McKim & Creed. The construction project is estimated to be \$1,000,00.00. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated if you look at the financial report, we didn't have any monies available for construction, but we did have money for the budgeted for Channel #4 Panel Replacement Project (10-19) from the Geoview report. I am recommending taking a \$1,000,000.00 from that project and move it to the Channel #4 Cable Mat Replacement Project (16-01). There are no engineering costs, McKim & Creed is providing the engineering services as part of the Settlement Agreement. Mr. Farrell wanted to verify that the panel replacement on Channel 4 at 65<sup>th</sup> Ave has nothing to do with cable mat replacement further downstream. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, replied that was correct. We had Geoview evaluate to replace selective panels on Channel 4 basically from 66 Street all the way out to Joes Creek. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated there is no failure there now but the Geoview report showed that there could be. Certainly, it was a good test

with Hermine and Tropical Storm Debbie; we did not see any significant damage like we did on Channel IB5.

### **01-19-2017**

#### **CHANNEL IB5 – PANEL REPLACEMENT (17-01)**

Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated if you refer to channels tab, first pictures in section are Channel IB5 south side of ditch by Salvation Army. During the storm event, we didn't think they were near as bad as they were. Panels have deteriorated; in 2005 we replaced the north side. We thought we may be able to do this, under the small services contract, by pumping in some grout to stabilize the panels, but, they have gotten worse. The estimated cost for the project (Construction cost \$1,000,000.00 and Engineering cost \$100,000.00) a total of \$1,100,000.00. Mr. Farrell asked if panel replacement is more expensive than the others without panels that had grass. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated he thinks it would be cheaper due to less preparation, excavation and shaping. Karen Lowe stated that you would have an additional cost of removing and demolishing the existing concrete panels which could be recycled, and then pouring the new concrete panels. The drainage system would have to be upgraded as well. We have talked with FEMA regarding reimbursing some of the costs. Karen Lowe, District Engineer stated there is a lot of documentation that you must go through for reimbursement from FEMA; the funds are available due to Hurricane Hermine. If at all, they will reimburse at 75% of costs, but no guarantees. Karen Lowe and I have made several visits out there, and this will need immediate attention. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated there is money in the budget for Channel 4 Panel Replacement Project (10-19). Mr. Roberts is recommending to move \$1,100,000.00 into the Channel IB5 Panel Replacement Project (17-01) from the Channel #4 Panel Replacement Project (10-19). If we get another major storm event, Mr. Roberts stated he is not sure how these panels would hold up.

### **FINANCE**

#### **a) Financial Statement – December 2016**

Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, made a recommendation to transfer funds in the amount of \$30,000.00 from the Suntrust Public Fund Now Account #003203041840 to the Wells Fargo Account #30900079999192 for the funding the District's pension contributions.

Mr. Farrell made a motion to transfer funds in the amount of \$30,000.00 from the Suntrust Public Fund Now Account #003203041840 to the Wells Fargo Account #30900079999192.

No discussion. Roll Call:

Voting Aye: Mr. Taylor, Mr. Farrell and Mr. Tingler

**MOTION APPROVED**

Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, made a recommendation for the First Quarter Adjustment to FY 2016/2017 Budget as noted in the Amended Budget.

Mr. Farrell made a motion to accept the First Quarter Adjustment to FY 2016/2017 Budget.

No discussion. Roll Call:

Voting Aye: Mr. Taylor, Mr. Farrell and Mr. Tingler

**MOTION APPROVED**

Mr. Farrell made a motion to accept the financial statement for December 2016 as presented and on file in the District Office. Second was made by Mr. Tingler.

No discussion. Roll Call:

Voting Aye: Mr. Taylor, Mr. Farrell and Mr. Tingler

**MOTION APPROVED**

**b) Investment Summary – January 2017**

Mr. Farrell made a motion to accept the Investment Summary for January 2017 as presented and on file in the District Office. Second was made by Mr. Tingler.

No discussion. Roll Call:

Voting Aye: Mr. Taylor, Mr. Farrell and Mr. Tingler

**MOTION APPROVED**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Executive Director Comments**

1. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated that we will be going out to bid for mowing services for some of our channels.
2. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated that RFP for Engineering Services will be going out to bid.
3. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated we are working on the 2015/2016 Audit. Lisa has been working very diligently on providing information to the auditors.
4. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated January 27, 2017 is the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Commissioner John Morroni Appreciation Luncheon. Mr. Roberts thanked Jennifer Cowan, District Council and Karen Lowe, District Engineer for their participation in the luncheon.
5. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated that on January 26, 2017, at the City of Pinellas Park Council Meeting, we will be putting on a slide presentation about what the District is about. Mr. Roberts went over the slide presentation with the Board.
6. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated per the District's rules and regulations, it is required all employees are evaluated once a year; Mr. Roberts handed out his annual evaluation to the Board Members.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

1. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, introduced Mr. Mike Silcott and Mr. Edward Kosinski. Mr. Silcott stated he lives at 7641 65<sup>th</sup> Way North and moved into the City in 1978 and was flooded in May 1979; and he knows how important the District is and what we do. When it was decided that something needed to be done about Park Boulevard being a main evacuation route and flooding all the time they came up with a good plan to stop the flooding and it works. Mr. Silcott stated that the project was to redirect the water to Channel #5. Mr. Silcott stated he lives on the pond at Channel #5

and 65<sup>th</sup> Street and his house abuts the pond on the northside and eastside. Mr. Silcott stated his house is the lowest house abutting the pond. Mr. Silcott stated he understands this was a partnership with the City and the District for this project. Mr. Silcott stated his issue is who is responsible for the maintenance of the pond. Mr. Silcott stated during Hurricane Hermine the water goat at 65<sup>th</sup> Street and Channel #5 did a great job and trapped a massive amount of debris and vegetation. The next two days after Hermine the weather was all clear. The following day it rained a lot and all the debris came into the pond over top the water goat; now there are water lilies and debris all over the pond. If someone would have cleaned out the water goat this wouldn't have happened. The City has spent a fortune to try and please the residents around the pond. He suggested the clean out schedule for Channel #5 needs to be picked up a little and if the City won't clean the water goat we get someone out there after a storm event to clean the water goat. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated Mr. Silcott called in about two months ago and I met with him within a week. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated he walked the entire Channel #5 and informed Mr. Silcott we have Channel #5 scheduled to be cleaned three times a year if needed. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated that the pond is the City of Pinellas Park's responsibility and I will reach out to Bart Diebold, City of Pinellas Park to look at the pond. Mr. Taylor stated the District did participate in the project by providing some funding for the very expensive project. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated he will set up a meeting on site with the City and the District within the next week. Mr. Edward Kosinski stated he lives at 7615 62<sup>nd</sup> Street. Mr. Kosinski stated on 63<sup>rd</sup> Street where the apartments are there is a dumpster next to the Channel #5 and during a storm debris blows into the channel. The neighborhood has fought hard to have enclosures around dumpsters and has asked Code Enforcement and different City personnel can't they make sure the lid is closed? Mr. Kosinski asked who is responsible for maintaining the inlets along the roadways? Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director, stated the City is responsible for all the inlets on the secondary streets; FDOT being responsible for the inlets on 66<sup>th</sup> Street and Park Boulevard. Randal A. Roberts, Executive Director stated he will contact Mr. Silcott tomorrow to set up a meeting on site with the City.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

- A. Annual & Bi-Monthly Rainfall/Maintenance Report is in your packets.

The next Regular Authority Meeting #3 is scheduled for Thursday, March 16, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

There was no further business to come before the Board and Mr. Taylor moved we adjourn Pinellas Park Water Management District Board Meeting # 2. Second was made by Mr. Tingler. Meeting was adjourned at 5:59 P.M.

THIS DOCUMENT IS CERTIFIED AS  
APPROVED ON \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman

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Vice Chairman

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Treasurer