

**EL RANCHO FLORIDA METROPOLITAN DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING – January 6, 2021**

The El Rancho Florida Metropolitan District held their regular monthly meeting **virtually** on January 6, 2021 at 6:00 PM. The following Board members attended the meeting:

Steve Swisher - President  
Robin Boucher – Vice President  
David Shipps - Treasurer  
Jim Belcher – Secretary  
Ken Charles

Also, present for the meeting were: Tom Riley & Ryan Bonomini– Water Operators, Robert Ludwig – Water Consultant, Rex Emenegger – Grader Operator and Marsha Moreland – Administrator.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

**AGENDA:** A motion was made approving the agenda for this meeting.

**I. MINUTES:**

A motion approving the minutes of December 2, 2020 (Budget work session) was made, moved, then passed.

**II. WATER REPORT:** (Tom Riley)

a) Tom stated that he continues to lower the chlorine levels. There were a few frozen meters due to the freezing and thawing temperatures this past month. The Wulfhorst tap is back on. No sampling in December and all is quiet. The last actual ‘read’ of the meters for 2020 was done on the 24<sup>th</sup> of December.

**b) LA PLATA ELECTRIC CONSTRUCTION:** (Robert Ludwig)

The application is in and Robert will be meeting with LPEA at the site on Tuesday.

**c) LA PLATA ARCHULETA TIE-IN:**

Steve would like to meet with Ed Nolan and Robert Ludwig in a zoom meeting to discuss logistics.

**d) WATER RATES AND CONSERVATION:**

There are two basic needs to discuss those being educating the residents about the dry summer ahead and formulating a rate structure that is more suitable to needs of summer. The average summer usage per household is 12,338 gallons a month. Education on where the District is at with the water supply and a commitment to send out a monthly newsletter keeping the residents informed. Another letter will be sent out to the ‘Top 10 Club’ of high users encouraging conservation measures in conserving the resource that all are using. If they cannot ‘modify’ their usage then a more appropriate rate will be imposed and possibly fines. Time of day watering is going to be important as well.

Marsha pointed out that a \$100 fine can be imposed, as stated in the Rate Resolution, Section II, #10 for watering infractions. The Board discussed that anything over 30,000 gallons a month could be

considered a commercial surcharge on those users. Jim Belcher offered to draft an educational letter to the residents regarding the water system and what the upcoming summer may bring.

**SHAW SOLAR:** No update.

### **III. ADMINISTRATION:**

- a) Accounts Payable: A motion was made and passed approving the submitted payables.
- b) Accounts Receivable: Brief discussion on report sent out prior to meeting.
- c) Conservation Trust Fund certification was filed with DOLA. Annual report to be filed by January 15<sup>th</sup>.
- d) The DLG-30 Non-Rated Securities and map was filed with DOLA.
- e) Budget 2021 will be filed by January 31<sup>st</sup>.
- f) Mill Levy certification was sent to the County Assessor on December 7, 2020.
- g) Audit 2020 – cost is no more than \$9500 by Ronnie Farmer. The Board approved the audit being done by Farmer for the stated ‘not to exceed’ amount.
- h). The Board approved the resolution to hold ‘virtual’ meetings in 2021 until further notice.

### **IV. ROAD REPORT:**

- a) Rex emailed his report to the board prior to the meeting
- b) Teri Robert’s offer to put plats of the subdivision roads/addresses in the bulletin boards is done, but the board would also like one at Oxford Place and may need a new one at Valley Trail/Valley Place.

### **V. COMMON AREAS:**

- a) NO ice skating at the pond.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 pm.