

**EAST CHARLOTTE DRAINAGE DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'**  
**QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES FOR**  
**OCTOBER 19, 2016 at 9:00 A.M.**

District's Website: [districtsapecial.org](http://districtsapecial.org)

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Mr. Jerry Newlin, President  
Mr. Zachary Varner, Supervisor  
Mr. Leonard Lempenau, Supervisor

**DISTRICT SECRETARY/TREASURER**

Ms. Dana Clement - Absent

**FIELD OPERATIONS SUPERINTENDENT**

Mr. James Shattles

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Ms. Babs Lawton, Secretary

1) **PRESIDENT CALLS THE MEETING TO ORDER**

Mr. Newlin called the October 19, 2016, East Charlotte Drainage District (ECDD) quarterly meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ECDD meetings are held at the Charlotte Harbor Event & Conference Center located at 75 Taylor Street, Punta Gorda, Florida, and are open to the public.

Mr. Newlin said that Ms. Clement was unable to attend.

2) **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3) **OLD BUSINESS**

a) **APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON JULY 6, 2016**

Mr. Newlin said that the minutes of the annual landowner's meeting held on July 6, 2016, were in the Board's meeting packets for review/comments.

Mr. Lempenau made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Mr. Varner seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

b) **MR. WILLIAMS, PAYMENT FOR GRAHAM ROAD USER'S FEE FOR 2015-2016**

Mr. Newlin said that Mrs. Williams had phoned Ms. Clement stating that the check in the amount of \$4,000.00, for the 2015-2016 user's fee for the 80 acres located adjacent to Graham Road, was in the mail.

c) **MR. STEVE VARNER, SECTION 34 EASEMENTS**

Mr. Newlin said, that at the meeting held on April 20, 2016, Mr. Steve Varner stated that he would advise the Board on whether or not he would want to bring the canal easements from Section 34 back into ECDD. At this time, Mr. Varner has indicated that he is going to leave the easements as they are, for the

present time.

4) **SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT**

a) **FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 7, 2016 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 31, 2016, AND FOR OCTOBER 1, 2016 THROUGH OCTOBER 19, 2016**

The financial reports for the period of July 7, 2016 through September 31, 2016, year ending 2015-2016, and October 1, 2016 through October 19, 2016, 2016-2017, were reviewed.

Mr. Varner made a motion to approve the financial reports as submitted. Mr. Lempenau seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

b) **NEW AUDITING FIRM FOR YEAR ENDING 2016, 2017 AND 2018, BAGGETT, REUTIMANN & ASSOCIATES**

Mr. Newlin asked for a motion to ratify the selection of a new auditing firm, Baggett, Reutimann & Associates, for the fiscal years ending 2016, 2017, and 2018.

Mr. Lempenau made a motion to ratify the selection of a new auditing firm, Baggett, Reutimann & Associates. Mr. Varner seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

c) **NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON JANUARY 18, 2017, 9:00 A.M.**

Mr. Newlin said that the next meeting is scheduled for January 18, 2017.

5) **FIELD REPORT**

a) **FIELD REPORT FOR JULY, AUGUST, AND SEPTEMBER 2016**

Mr. Newlin asked Mr. Shattles when he expected the herbicide application to begin in ECDD. Mr. Shattles said that the herbicides have been ordered and that it will probably be about three weeks until the application.

6) **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

None.

7) **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

None.

8) **NEW BUSINESS**

a) **CONFLICT OF INTEREST FORM, JERRY NEWLIN**

Mr. Newlin said, that at the annual landowner's meeting he had recused himself from the vote in regards to renewing the Letter Agreement for administration services to be performed by Joshua Water Control District for the 2016/2017 fiscal year, because he sits on both boards.

Mr. Newlin executed an Ethics Form 8b, Memorandum of Voting Conflict in accordance with Florida Statute 112.3143, which is to be filed in the minute book.

b) **LETTER MODIFICATION TO WUP, DID 6, SECTION 27, BLOCK 1, ABANDON, REPLACE ONE**

Mr. Newlin said that in the far northeast corner of Section 27, block 1, well number six had to be shut down and that a new well will be drilled approximately 230 feet away. Mr. Newlin said that a WUP letter modification was necessary because the well was being moved more than 100 feet from its present location and that the letter modification of the permit will not affect the WUP, except to relocate the well.

9) **CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Newlin called for any public comments. There was none.

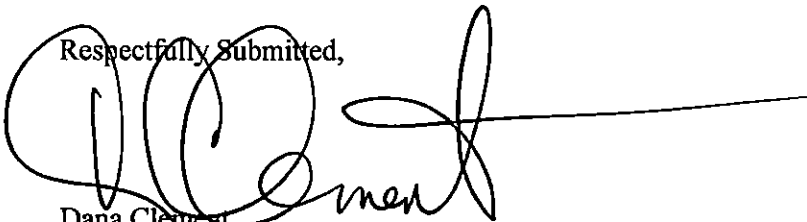
10) **PUBLIC NOTIFICATION**

**"Pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, if any person decides to appeal any decision made by the District with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based."**

11) **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Newlin adjourned the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dana Clement', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Dana Clement  
Secretary/Treasurer  
East Charlotte Drainage District