

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
POINCIANA  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Poinciana Community Development District was held on Wednesday, **May 21, 2025**, at 12:00 p.m. via Zoom Communication Media Technology and in the Gator Room, 385 Village Drive, Poinciana, Florida.

Present and constituting a quorum were:

Jon Cameron	Chairman
Rick McKelvey	Vice Chairman
Tony Reed	Assistant Secretary
Anita Nelson	Assistant Secretary
Robert Zimbardi	Assistant Secretary

Also present were:

Tricia Adams	District Manager
Jan Carpenter	District Counsel
Kathy Leo <i>by phone</i>	District Engineer
Joel Blanco	Field Services
Cherrief Jackson	Clarke Midge Control
Jim Clough	Solivita Fishing Club
Jan Gripp	Solivita Landscape Committee
Residents	

*The following is a summary of the discussions and actions taken at the May 21, 2025, Poinciana Community Development District's Board of Supervisors Meeting.*

**FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Roll Call**

Ms. Adams called the meeting to order and called the roll at 12:01 p.m. All Supervisors were present.

**SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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**THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS****Public Comment Period on Agenda Items**

Ms. Adams opened the Public Comment Period. The following residents addressed the Board:

- Mr. Jan Gripp of Via Monte Napoleone Drive recalled that he obtained permission from the Board to get Christmas tree lights on Palm trees at the end of the street, which he appreciated. However, they found out that two of the trees were owned by the HOA. In the past it did not matter because Floralawn was taking care of them, but when the HOA hired a new vendor, it became an issue. There was discussion about the HOA abandoning the property at the end of Via Monte Napoleone Drive but found no evidence that the HOA ever owned it, as it was owned by the CDD. Floralawn was supposed to replace the plants, but after the plants were installed, it was reasonable for the CDD to inform the HOA that they needed to own them. *Ms. Adams indicated that this topic was on the agenda.*
- Ms. Sharon Burns of 328 Sorrento Road thanked Mr. Blanco for spraying the overgrowth in the pond, as the algae was starting to die and separate. However, the vacant property across the pond, which was owned by a rental company, had not been mowed or maintained and was now overgrown. *Ms. Nelson was sure that the Board would be happy to write a letter to the realty company.*

There being no further comments, Ms. Adams closed the audience comments period.

**FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****Approval of Minutes of the April 16, 2025, Board of Supervisors Meeting**

Ms. Adams presented the minutes of the April 16, 2025, Board of Supervisors meeting, which were included in the agenda package. Corrections were provided by Mr. Cameron, which were incorporated.

On MOTION by Ms. Nelson seconded by Mr. Zimbardi with all in favor the Minutes of the April 16, 2025, Board of Supervisors Meeting were approved as amended.

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**FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****Consideration of License Maintenance Agreement with Solivita Community Association, Inc.**

Mr. Cameron recalled that a situation developed a year and a half ago, with the previous HOA Board, which caused both the HOA and the CDD to have a better understanding of what the CDD owned and that the HOA made improvements on in the last 20 years. It did provide an opportunity for the CDD to then ID all those properties that were CDD parcels with HOA improvements, where there was hardscape such as sidewalks, benches and other improvements like landscaping, irrigation, etc., which were maintained by the developer/HOA and the previous HOA for over 20 years. Thanks to Ms. Carpenter and her perseverance in writing all these letters to the HOA attorney over the last couple of years and quick agreement turnaround, there was now a draft of the agreement. All four HOA Board Members supported going back to the status quo. However, they requested that the CDD continue mowing the entire Shorehaven Park parcel, which made sense as the CDD owned the entire square block. Ms. Nelson asked under this agreement, whether the CDD would have ownership of it and the HOA would maintain it. Ms. Carpenter explained that the license part would give the HOA the authority to come onto the property to provide the maintenance, but it did not give them any legal rights to the property. The maintenance part allowed the HOA to perform the maintenance. If the HOA failed to maintain it, the CDD could charge them. She gave kudos to Mr. Cameron and Mr. Blanco for identifying which parcels they needed to look at. This type of agreement was used in this circumstance.

Ms. Nelson read the agreement and agreed with it. Ms. Carpenter felt that it covered everything. Discussion ensued and Mr. Cameron requested the following changes: 1) Updating the exhibits, as one listed 18 parcels and the other listed 19, 2) The Grant of License on the second page to 20 years, 3) *"No other work without prior written permission of the District"* to *"No other maintenance work without prior written permission of the District,"* 4) Including the legal description for Shorehaven and 5) Including the mailing address in brackets. Mr. Cameron requested that the Board approve it in substantially final form. Mr. Reed questioned the District's liability in the event someone gets hurt and if they could sue both properties. Ms. Carpenter confirmed that the HOA was required to have insurance, and both parties could be sued. Liability would be apportioned among whoever had the obligation to maintain or own it. Ms. Adams indicated that the CDD had a general liability policy that covered all the CDD property.

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On MOTION by Mr. McKelvey seconded by Ms. Nelson with all in favor the License Maintenance Agreement with Solivita Community Association, Inc. in substantially final form was approved and delegated authority to the Chairman to approve final form

Mr. Cameron appreciated the HOA Board recognizing the issue and agreeing to this.

## **SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

### **Review of Earth Day Participation and Discussion of Other Educational Opportunities**

Mr. McKelvey reported that the CDD Board participated in Earth Day this year and it was well received. They met many nice people, a few of which attended this meeting. They passed out a lot of information on Earth Day. There would be no Earth Day next year, as it would be held every other year and Mr. McKelvey wanted to look at other possible opportunities. Mr. McKelvey suggested having a direct link to the agenda on the front page of the CDD website, to make it easier to find agendas on the webpage and having a QR code on the fishing signs, linking to the CDD website, so that people could review the fishing regulations. Ms. Adams would look at website improvements now and QR codes before new signs are installed. Mr. Cameron wanted to have an understanding with the Fishing Club and having them present in a public forum, along with a presentation on what the CDD does, as many people did not understand that there was an HOA and two CDDs and who owned what. Ms. Nelson felt that Earth Day was well done and well worth it. Mr. McKelvey spoke with Dr. Kevin Novak, who was a pond and lake expert, teaching him the difference between a lake and a pond.

## **SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

### **Review of Midge Management Program**

Ms. Cherrief Jackson of Clarke Midge Control introduced herself to the Board. Clarke did the midge management in Poinciana and Poinciana West. The last time that she was here, she discussed the program, which upon inquiring about the origins of determining which ponds are treated, was informed that it was a research-based program. The ponds were chosen based on the number of complaints and what tech was seeing. If feedback becomes more consistent, she recommends that a pond receive larvicide, so they could treat the problem and not just the symptom. Since she started with the project, a few ponds were added, based on

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recommendations from Clarke and the Field Manager. Recently Ponds P-10, P-1F and P-3 were added, as they received over 30 complaints. Every so often, they would get complaints about a pond and never hear from them again. Larvicide would keep the population down, so the midges would not become adults and fly around, which was the first line of defense, other than having the right kind of plants and fish. Then there was the spraying part, when the adults were flying around, so there would be less of them to lay eggs. There were a certain set of ponds that were larvicided every month no matter what and were on the list to be sprayed, but they were receiving complaints about other ponds. Pond P-2 was not having an issue right now and there was no need to spray it but received calls about flying midges at Pond P-10.

Mr. McKelvey questioned whether they should review the list in the future, to see if those ponds were still valid or if they should add extra ones or add fish instead of spraying chemicals. Ms. Adams pointed out that larvicide, adulticide, Gambusia, Grass Shrimp and littoral plantings were different tools to control the midge population, but once they put a new tool into place, they did not want to remove the tried-and-true larvicide, as this was the most effective way to diminish the midge population. Ms. Nelson pointed out if they put fish into the pond as an experiment to help keep the midge population down, Clarke was still treating the larvae. Ms. Jackson confirmed that it was a Midge Management Program and if they removed something, it would get worse. The larvicides that they used would not be bad for the ecosystem. There was no long-term effect of the spraying, because it was meant to dissipate and degrade. It was meant to catch the midges while they were flying, on screens and in bushes. Mr. McKelvey pointed out that since the last meeting, several residents complained to him that the adult midges were still an issue, especially by Pond E-3 and were concerned about the ineffectiveness of the spraying.

Ms. Jackson indicated that she emailed staff about the driving speed of the technicians. Mr. Reed felt that the drivers needed to be aware of which way that they were spraying. Ms. Jackson would address this with the technicians. Ms. Adams confirmed that she had not received any calls regarding the speed of the vehicle that was used for midge spraying, but the sooner that they had that information, the sooner it could be addressed. Mr. Cameron recalled in North Dakota they did larvicide aerial spraying once per year. Ms. Jackson pointed out there was a great deal of activity in March and April and again in the Fall, but there were midges all year round in Florida. Mr. Reed felt that there needed to be a mechanism for identifying new ponds that should be added to the list. Ms. Adams stated if they received midge complaints, the

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complaint was added to the log for tracking and future analysis. She noted this topic was also discussed at the Poinciana West CDD, and ultimately the Board decided if they stopped any of the tools, it left an opportunity for the midge population to flourish and therefore they should leave the tools in place, to have the most effective program. Ms. Jackson compared it to having pest control. Mr. Reed stated if they used dragonflies, they must have a habitat for the dragonflies, to foster the growth and create more of them, instead of waiting for plants to take years to grow. They needed to have a better picture of the big picture. Ms. Jackson would speak to the Operations Manager about the speed of the treatments and the direction that they were spraying. The Board appreciated Ms. Jackson attending and providing clarification.

**EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****Presentation from Solivita Fishing Club  
on Pond Stocking Plan**

Ms. Nelson introduced Mr. Jim Clough of the Solivita Fishing Club, who presented a Pond Stocking Plan, which was included in the agenda package. Mr. Clough reported that the Fishing Club wanted to work in partnership with the CDD. They were not experts on ponds, but they were fishers that know the ponds. If they were not catching fish in the pond, there must be an issue. A couple of the smaller ponds, such as A-3 and A-4, were disgusting, which was a sign of sickness. It was ideal to start with bait fish, for a healthy pond population, such as mosquito fish, guppy like fish in the shoreline of a pond. This was the first link in the food chain, which eat microscopic things. They could also add Golden Shiners and Bluegill that eat mosquito larvae. A healthy pond would have a healthy balance of bait fish and predator fish. Mr. Clough spoke with one company that they could buy product from. The amounts were based on new ponds being developed, but it could be split in half for the developed ponds. It amounted to \$375 per 1,000 and a healthy pond would have 2,000 bait fish. Mr. Clough proposed that a Board Member work with him and the Fishing Club on a plan for a couple of ponds on a test basis that had no alligator activity, to introduce bait fish and see how healthy they could get the Large Mouth Bass population. This would be a five-year plan and not be a quick fix.

Mr. McKelvey talked about this with Mr. Moller, and they see the potential for a good partnership. They talked about encouraging residents, especially ones that have not been trained through the Fishing Club, to fish on ponds that did not have houses around them and having two test ponds. Mr. Reed questioned the objective. Mr. Cameron voiced concern that the Large Mouth Bass would eat the Gambusia fish that they stocked. Mr. Clough stated that they would

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eat anything smaller than them, but all the fish would reproduce. The minnow spawn four or five times per year. It would take ongoing monitoring and possibly replacement, but this would be no different than the basic maintenance of spraying. If there were 100 minnows around the edge of the pond, there were probably 10,000 minnows that they could not see. The purpose of testing a couple of ponds, was to see if they could get a balance. If a year later, they see a healthy population of minnows, it meant that they reproduced. Mr. Cameron asked if this cost would be incurred by the Fishing Club, because it was not a good idea for the Poinciana CDD to expend funds that would benefit a club. Mr. Reed was in favor of having a test pond. Mr. Clough indicated that the benefit of having bait fish were to control mosquito and midge larvae, as well as provide food for the rest of the population. The Fishing Club could purchase the minnows for a test pond. Ms. Carpenter voiced concern that these were stormwater ponds, which could raise issues relating to their use. If there were tournaments, the CDD should be informed, to see if there was insurance to cover it, as it could increase liability. If funds were raised, the CDD should not set up a committee, as their meetings would be public meetings and subject to Sunshine Laws.

Ms. Nelson was impressed with the proposal and hoped to work with the Fishing Club, but fishing was never approved by the Board. Ms. Carpenter confirmed that the CDD had not allowed it, but it could make sense if they wanted to stock the ponds with fish and the Board was looking at allowing fishing. Ms. Nelson pointed out that Poinciana was a retirement community and many people moved there because they wanted to fish in the ponds. Ms. Carpenter stated the decision was up to the Board as to whether it would help the pond health, but the Board needed to be cautious in advocating it. Ms. Adams asked field staff to review the Pond Stocking Plan and Mr. Blanco reviewed it with Mr. Clayton Smith and would report concerns later in the meeting. Mr. McKelvey spoke to someone about the ponds and in the community that they oversee, they introduced Grass Carp to control algae. Mr. Blanco did not oversee any Districts that used Grass Carp but could speak to ones that had ponds like Poinciana and speak to Mr. Smith and Solitude about it and report back to the Board. Ms. Leo confirmed that Grass Carp was typically used for hydrilla control. Mr. Reed pointed out that the CDD did not put the fish that was currently in the ponds, but wanted to see an assessment in the future, to stock a certain number of ponds and evaluate the results. Mr. Blanco suggested placing this item on the Action Items List for tracking purposes for six months to a year.

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**NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****Review of Annual Engineer's Stormwater Inspection Report**

Ms. Leo presented the annual Engineer's Stormwater Inspection Report, which was included in the agenda package. The inspection occurred on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, while water levels were low, with the intent of capturing items that needed to be repaired. There were no surprises, as field staff does a great job with their frequent visits to the site, but there were a few structures that needed to be cleaned out, so that water would flow. There were also a couple of areas where mitered end sections needed to be backfilled, as it was eroded and could cause the concrete to crack. For a system of this size, it was maintained well, but Ms. Leo wanted to make these repairs while the water was low. Ms. Adams indicated that the report was reviewed by the field management team and all the items that needed minor attention could be accomplished with GMS field staff. Mr. Reed pointed out that even though they do an annual inspection, it was only required every two years but doing it every year was more responsible. Therefore, now was the perfect time to do the work, as water levels were low. Ms. Adams suggested delegating authority to the Chairman to approve the form of proposal. Mr. McKelvey felt that timewise it made sense to delegate authority to the Chairman.

On MOTION by Mr. McKelvey seconded by Ms. Nelson with all in favor delegating the Chairman to approve the proposal for stormwater repairs was approved.

**TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****Staff Reports****A. Attorney**

Ms. Carpenter was working this month with Mr. Cameron on the HOA Agreement. Mr. Reed pointed out that some of the photographs show retaining walls on golf course property and their interface with golf course people should indicate their concern. Ms. Carpenter recalled drafting a letter to GMS to send to the golf course over a month ago and would follow up. Ms. Nelson indicated that the golf course was aware of the issue, but they did not own it and only managed it. They sent a request to the builder, but the builder had not approved it. Ms. Carpenter would send a second letter.

**B. Engineer**



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There being no comments, the next item followed.

**C. District Manager**

**i. Action Items List**

Ms. Adams presented the Action Items List, which was included in the agenda package. Several items were discussed. Many items were on the list for monitoring purposes.

**ii. Approval of Check Register**

Ms. Adams presented the Check Register for April 8, 2025, through May 9, 2025, totaling \$219,931.38, which was included in the agenda package, along with the detailed invoices and Check Run Summary.

On MOTION by Mr. Zimbardi seconded by Ms. Nelson with all in favor the April 8, 2025, through May 9, 2025, in the amount of \$219,931.38 was approved.

**iii. Balance Sheet and Income Statement**

Ms. Adams presented the Unaudited Financial Statements through April 30, 2025, which was included in the agenda package. No Board action was required. As of the end of April, the District was fully collected on its assessments. Ms. Nelson noted in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance, there was a negative balance of \$669 for property insurance. Ms. Adams explained that this line item was increased because the insurance company re-evaluated the cost to replace the tunnels. \$21,500 was budgeted based on preliminary information from the insurance company, but when they did the insurance binder, after the annual budget was adopted, the actual amount was \$22,169, leaving a difference of \$669. There was no negative balance, just a variance.

**iv. Form 1 & Ethics Training Reminder**

Ms. Adams reminded the Board that an email was sent from the Florida Commission on Ethics, regarding the annual filing that was due on July 1<sup>st</sup>. If Board Members did not receive it by June 1<sup>st</sup>, they should let her know. The filing is to be done electronically. Board Members should report the ethics training that they did in 2024 on that form.

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**D. Field Manager's Report**

Mr. Blanco presented the Field Manager's Report, which was included in the agenda package. Field staff continued to review CDD owned landscaping throughout the District, which remained in satisfactory standards, with clean and tidy swales at the end of resident property, pond banks at appropriate height levels and edge grasses contained, as they transition to Summer rains. The landscaping vendor continues to mow along the swales bordering retention walls such as PC-2, P-16, and OS-1 on Umbria Dr. during the Spring when they were able to. He received confirmation from the landscaping vendor, that the installation of plantings and mulch on the CDD owned portion of Via Monte Napoleone Dr., was scheduled. The irrigation wet check was completed prior to scheduling. It would be reviewed after plantings were completed. Field staff has continued to review the ponds throughout the District. Several ponds have experienced excessive algae blooms such as PA-9 through 11 on Grand Canal Dr, C-2, A-34 and P-16. Several boat and bank spray treatments have been completed for these ponds. Juniper recently fertilized many lawns and as such, were experiencing algae blooms throughout the District, which the vendor was aware of, and both the vendor and field staff were monitoring. Several ponds were found with dollar weeds and cattails growing at the edges and the vendor was advised to spray. Staff was coordinating the clam purchase with the supplier, and they would be installed tomorrow. He would be taking pictures, video and updating the Board. Once supplier confirms amount in stock, staff will coordinate the pond stocking and advise the Board. These ponds were specifically chosen because of contact that he had with residents that reached out to him, based on fluctuations in the ponds. Ms. Nelson questioned the purpose of the clams. Mr. Blanco explained that the clams eat the algae at the ground level, which they utilized along with the algicide to treat the algae within these ponds.

**i. Presentation of Proposal for Aerator at Pond B-1****ii. Presentation of Proposal for TryMarine at Pond B-5**

Per the Board's request, Mr. Blanco reported that information was provided for aerators to be used at B-1 as a pilot pond and information on a product called TryMarine, to assist with the water quality in the pond muck that he observed at B-5, which would also be a pilot pond. An initial proposal was received for the fish stocking at the ponds. After review, his concern was the same concern that Mr. Cameron expressed, which was if they stock the ponds with mosquito fish, to help with the midges, they would be eradicated, as the Bluegills and Bass would eat

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them. Ms. Nelson asked if there would be an ongoing expense to keep stocking them. Mr. Blanco indicated that to stock the ponds with more fish, would pose a challenge, but if the purpose of putting the Grass Shrimp and Gambusia was to help manage midges, it was self-defeating to have them in the pond along with the Bluegill. Mr. McKelvey pointed out that they wanted to create an ecosystem that be pro-fishing and these two ponds would provide an idea of how it was working. Mr. Blanco indicated that they were retention ponds, and the concern was that they were for the purpose of stormwater management. Stocking it with fish was for recreational use, which was secondary to its primary function. This was a three-tier issue, the first of which was the primary function of the pond, but if they went with the second tier, which was midge management, they were stocking it with specific fish to try to supplement what they were doing with midge management. However, if they were stocking the pond with game fish, they would eventually eradicate the midge larvae eating fish. Mr. McKelvey felt that these two ponds were a good test case, as there were no houses next to them. Mr. Blanco supported the Fishing Club, but did not recommend installing bait fish, as it would be for recreational use, which was the third tier.

Mr. Cameron asked if the introduction of these other species were harmful to what they were doing. Mr. Blanco consulted with Mr. Smith, and he addressed the same concerns. The Bluegill, Sunfish and Bass would eat all the mosquito/Gambusia fish. He recommended putting in the Grass Shrimp and Gambusia along with the littorals. These ponds had healthy littorals, so all they would need was the Grass Shrimp and Gambusia. Ms. Nelson asked if it would require them to re-stock often. Mr. Blanco did not know how much the bait fish would grow, but the Bluegill and Bass would naturally lessen the number of minnows within that pond. Mr. Reed pointed out that once the fish were added, they could not get rid of them and it could get out of control, which was not good and questioned whether they needed to hire a consultant from the University of Florida to provide an opinion, because he did not want to create a disaster that was going to be hard to fix. Mr. Blanco indicated that he consulted with Mr. Smith, who had been involved with Solivita for a long time and performed the research. Mr. Reed questioned how the fishing was. Mr. Clough confirmed that the fishing in most ponds was excellent. The minnows reproduced multiple times per year, but they wanted to perform some experiments and tests because of the predator fish eating all the food source. 100% of their fishing was catch and

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release. Mr. Blanco reported that prior to him being Field Manager, Mr. Smith stocked ponds with Grass Shrimp and Gambusia.

Mr. Cameron asked if Mr. Blanco looked at Pond A-4. Mr. Blanco stated that he reviewed this pond, and it looked like Pond B-1. He reached out to the vendor, and they treated it yesterday. The white substance on the pond, was the chemical that was applied on top of the algae. He would be onsite tomorrow to see if there was progress in the color change. The vendor would re-review the pond to see if any treatments were needed. As a member of the golf course, Ms. Nelson met with the new General Manager for the golf course. She asked if he met with Mr. Blanco and he recalled meeting with Mr. Blanco at one point, to inform him that he could not release the chemical list, as he had to report it directly to the Florida Department of Agriculture. Mr. Blanco recalled him saying that he could not release that information but did not know why. Mr. Cameron met with them last week and was told that the golf course must report all chemicals that they used to the Department of Agriculture and could not release it to anyone else. If the CDD wanted them, they must go through the Department of Agriculture. Ms. Nelson was informed by the General Manager that they were only allowed to use certain types of chemicals in certain areas of Florida, because they were in a wildlife preservation area.

Mr. Blanco reported that he obtained a preliminary proposal for an aerator from Solitude Lake Management and was tasked to select a pilot pond for aerators, which was Pond B-1, given the recent algae bloom outbreak, because it was at the main entrance of the community. The vendor chose eight sections where these aerators would be located and a cabinet that would further from the east portion of the pond. There was also information on the type of aeration system, as well as a short synopsis of the aerator that the vendor recommended and the aerator installation cost, which was \$22,866. Mr. McKelvey asked if it would have eight bubblers. Mr. Blanco replied affirmatively. Mr. McKelvey requested a video from the vendor on different types of aerators. The issue that the CDD had, was the nutrients in the bottom of the pond, as no bacteria could survive, due to low oxygen levels. The purpose of the aerators was not to look pretty, but to get the good bacteria that can break down and get rid of the nutrients. Mr. Reed pointed out that there was no cost proposal to provide the electric to the pumps. Mr. Blanco confirmed that it was preliminary and if the Board wanted him to move forward, he could provide a more comprehensive proposal at next month's meeting. Mr. McKelvey understood that this was the top-of-the-line aerator and asked if it would be solar powered or electrical. Mr.

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Blanco stated that it would be electric powered, as solar power was hit or miss when they had it at Pond E-1. Mr. Reed questioned why this location was selected. Mr. Blanco pointed out according to the Account Manager, it would be placed in an open space, which made for easier access. Mr. McKelvey asked if there was money available. Ms. Adams confirmed that it was not a budgeted expense, but there was money in the general fund available.

Mr. McKelvey thought that it was an excellent idea but recommended that they do water testing before the aerator was installed, by using a kit versus hiring someone to do it. Mr. Reed wanted more proof that it was worth going down this path. Mr. Blanco would provide a more comprehensive proposal at the next meeting and having the Solitude Account Manager field any questions. Mr. McKelvey asked if there were other companies besides Solitude. Mr. Blanco would investigate it. Ms. Leo stated typically the pond vendor would maintain the aeration system. Mr. Reed questioned how many CDDs in Florida used aerators. Ms. Leo worked for CDDs that were now looking at using aerators, due to the better quality than ones in the past. Celebration installed them as an experiment and was considering putting in more. Mr. Reed pointed out that the real issue was the overall cost and impact and whether it was worth the investment. There was Board consensus for staff to obtain additional information. Regarding the proposal for TryMarine at Pond B-5, Mr. Blanco did not yet have a proposal as the vendor had to do more research but indicated that TryMarine was a newer chemical that was more effective and better than Alum, which was used to reduce muck on pond floors and assist with water quality and clarity. He received a pamphlet from Solitude, which he provided to the Board. TryMarine was safe and EPA friendly. Mr. McKelvey noted that it worked like the aerators and improved the oxygen in the lower levels and recommended using it on the small pond by the golf cart trail that goes to Venezia. Mr. Blanco pointed out that the proposal was for Pond B-5, which was subpar.

- iii. **Pond Maintenance Report**
- iv. **Midge Management Report**
- v. **Customer Complaint Log**

Mr. Blanco presented the Pond Maintenance and Midge Management Reports and Customer Complaint Log, which were included in the agenda package.

## **ELEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

## **Supervisor's Requests**

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Mr. Reed stated that any complaints about mosquito control on the Customer Complaint Log, should be reported to the county. Ms. Adams confirmed if it the complaint was about mosquitos, the resident was advised to reach out to Polk County for mosquito treatment. Mr. Cameron reported that he sent a letter to the HOA about letting people come into CDD meetings without scrutiny. At yesterday's HOA meeting, there was a great deal of discussion about gate security. Ms. Carpenter appreciated that, as the gate attendants refused to let her in without showing identification. She refused to show her ID, and they informed her that she had to show it, but they finally let her in after she explained who she was. She requested that the guardhouse be provided with instructions that the public must be allowed entry to attend CDD public meetings. Mr. Cameron asked if there was any follow up to the letters to the three houses across Pond B-21. Ms. Carpenter did not hear anything and would follow up. Mr. Cameron recommended changing the \$18,500 *Landscape Improvement Area Contingency* to *Landscape/Pond Improvement Area*, so they had more flexibility. Ms. Adams suggested changing *Pond Water Improvement* to *Pond/Landscape Improvement*, to consolidate existing line items. There was Board consensus.

Mr. Cameron reported that he met with the golf course management team about the HOA maintenance and the CDD. They discussed one bridge on the golf course that was in bad shape and informed him that two others were in worst shape and advised the developer of all the problems. Their hands were tied as they had no contingency for items like this and had to get the money from the developer. He also informed him about the walls that were failing, which the developer was also aware of. They have been told that they cannot mow down to the banks anymore, because they were told that it was CDD property and they could not touch it. Mr. Cameron informed them that he would verify this with the District Engineer and staff, but this dovetails into the problem that they were trying to fix, about what can and could not be done. He planned to follow up on obtaining the chemical list from the Florida Department of Agriculture and meet with the developer regarding the bridges that were on CDD property and the issue with the retaining walls.

**TWELFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****Other Business**

There being no comments, the next item followed.

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**THIRTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****General Audience Comments**

Mr. Cameron opened the General Audience Comments Period. Ms. Rose Kerr of 389 Sorrento Road felt that no longer spraying the midges was a bad idea, because if they start going backwards, they will see even more midges. She recommended people that were complaining about the midges, not turn on their house lights. The plantings on E-3 were blooming and beautiful. Mr. Reed noted that there were not many. Ms. Kerr pointed out on her bank by her house and on the left-hand side, there were plantings, but no plantings on the other side where the growth was taking place. They used to use ride on mowers, but all sudden, Floralawn was using huge tractors to mow the banks. It was scary to watch them go all the way to the edge and questioned whether the tractor was causing damage to the banks. Mr. Blanco would address that with them. She had a new neighbor that was fishing at 5:00 p.m. with a loose dog. Lastly, if the aerator proposal was for Pond B-1, questioned why not obtain one for Pond E-3, which was the largest pond with the biggest problems. The solar panel were noisy when something was going wrong but were perfectly fine when they were working. The issue with the pond was due to some product that the golf course used. They only had the issue in the last three years.

Mr. Cameron noticed in Glendora, the last three houses had nice green littorals, but at another house, the littorals were dead and questioned whether the homeowner was getting rid of them by themselves, because they did not want them behind his pond. Ms. Nelson stopped people from pulling plants out of the ground on Shorehaven. Mr. Blanco would look at it when he was onsite tomorrow. He had a list of ponds and Glendora was on that list. Some residents in Poinciana West string trimmed the littoral plantings. Mr. Reed asked if they could send out an email blast. Ms. Adams stated it would be best to send out an email blast or put a notice on the website and would work on one.

**FOURTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Next Meeting Date – June 18, 2025, 12:00 P.M.; The Gator Room**

Mr. Cameron stated that the meeting was scheduled for June 18, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. at this location.

**FIFTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS****Adjournment**

May 21, 2025

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On MOTION by Mr. McKelvey seconded by Ms. Nelson with all in favor the meeting was adjourned.

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*Tricia Adams*

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