

MINUTES OF MEETING

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TARA
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT 1

The Budget Workshop of the Board of Supervisors of the Tara Community Development District 1 was held on **Thursday, July 19, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Tara Community Center, located at 7340 Tara Preserve Lane, Bradenton, Florida 34203.

Present and constituting a quorum:

Peter Pfeiffer	Board Supervisor, Chairman
Gerald Wixson	Board Supervisor, Vice Chairman
Darby Connor	Board Supervisor, Assistant Secretary <i>(via speakerphone)</i>
Dan Powers	Board Supervisor, Assistant Secretary

Also present were:

Karen Hartman	District Manager, Rizzetta & Company, Inc.
Audience	

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order and roll call was completed.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Authorization to Advertise for District Engineer

Ms. Hartman stated the next item on the agenda was authorization to advertise for District Engineer. Ms. Hartman asked for a motion from the Board.

On a Motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Wixson, with all in favor, the Board approved to authorize District Management to advertise for District Engineer for the Tara Community Development District 1.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

Authorization to Advertise RFP for Auditor

Ms. Hartman stated the next item on the agenda is an authorization to advertise a Request for Qualification/Proposal for Audit Services. Ms. Hartman asked for a motion from the Board.

On a Motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Wixson, with all in favor, the Board approved to advertise a Request for Proposal for Auditor for the Tara Community Development District 1.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Discussion Regarding the Fiscal Year 2007/2008 Budget

Ms. Hartman stated the next item on the agenda is the discussion regarding the Fiscal Year 2007/2008 Budget. The budget that was submitted to Manatee County Tax Collector was increased \$30,000.00 (contingency to trim). The budget total is \$574,703.00 on the tax roll. Ms. Hartman explained why the budget was increased. The proposed budget was adopted by the Board in May 2007. On June 19, 2007, the District received a bill for March, April and May for the pumping into the aqua range in the amount of \$7,000.00. The previous year's bill for irrigation was \$1,600.00. The current fiscal year bill was \$2,000.00. As of June 19, 2007, the bill for a year's worth of irrigation will cost \$15,000.00. Ms. Hartman stated the District has not paid this invoice as it does not contain any backup or detail attached to the invoice. After receiving the invoice, the Board decided to add \$30,000.00 to the Contingency budget item to cover the increase costs for irrigation.

The result of the \$30,000.00 increase is an adjustment to the per unit tax assessment:

- Condominium \$64.00 increase
- 40' Lot \$100 increase
- 55' Lot \$117 increase
- 65' Lot \$150 increase
- Golf Club \$4,313

The Board has two options. The District could spend \$30,000.00 to install a well or spend \$30,000.00 paying for the electricity to pump the water from the Developer's well.

Ms. Hartman explained the budget line by line to the audience and to the Board. The Landscape budget was increased to accommodate irrigation and replanting. A survey was given to each resident and 21% of the residents responded to the survey. Fiscal constraints and landscape improvements were the top two results of the survey. The Board of Supervisors has insured that community landscaping will be addressed. The Board discussed distributing a quarterly newsletter to help the Board communicate better with its residents. Ms. Hartman stated she would provide Mr. Pfeiffer with a newsletter template and the Chairman will begin work on creating a newsletter for the community.

Ms. Hartman asked if there were any audience comments on the proposed budget. An audience question was asked in regards to the expense for District Engineer. Mr. Pfeiffer stated the Board is in the process of advertising a request for qualification and proposal for a new District Engineer. If the District seeks the well permit, the District Engineer will work additional hours towards establishing a well for the District.

Ms. Hartman asked if there were any additional audience comments. Another audience question was in regards to the landscape replanting increase of \$17,000.00. The Board increased the landscape budget in response to the survey received by residents. The replanting of landscape in the community helps the community look better and helps residents who are trying to sell their property.

Mr. Pfeiffer asked if there were any Board comments or questions. There were none.

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Adjournment

Ms. Hartman asked for a motion to adjourn.

On a Motion by Mr. Wixson, seconded by Mr. Powers, with all in favor, the Board adjourned the Budget Workshop of the Board of Supervisors at 8:15 p.m., for the Tara Community Development District 1.


Secretary / Assistant Secretary


Chairman / Vice Chairman