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# Meeting Minutes

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## **November 2024 Monthly Meeting of the Fort Myers Beach Mosquito Control District**

### **Call to order**

A meeting of the Fort Myers Beach Mosquito Control District was held in the Fort Myers Beach Historical Society building, 161 Bay Road, Fort Myers Beach, Florida on Tuesday, November 12th, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 8:05am. Attendees included: Commissioner Joanne Semmer, Commissioner Steve Johnson, Commissioner Jim Murphy, Director Michael Mills, and Tom Gressman.

**Note:** The previous month's meeting, scheduled for Tuesday October 8<sup>th</sup>, was canceled due the imminent arrival of Hurricane Milton.

### **Approval of minutes**

The September 2024 minutes were read by Commissioner Semmer. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Murphy. Approved 3-0.

### **Public Comment**

No public present.

### **Staff Reports**

- Our shed miraculously survived floating across the canal into neighbor's driveway. It has been re-installed and re-anchored down.
- We still have not received any Ad Valorem revenue.
- Bank Balance as of October 31: \$548,742.80
- Commissioner Semmer expressed great concern about the hole the recurs every storm in the Southeast corner of our property. Commissioner Murphy is confident it is not a sinkhole, and will arrange to have it filled with rock.
- Commissioner Murphy will get quotes to grade and sod ten feet or so back from the seawall for water management.
- Mr Gressman reported on what he learned about Oropouche Virus and backpack sprayers.
- Lee County truck trap runs are over for 2024.

### **Unfinished business**

- Commissioner Johnson spoke to someone at Title Basin (the grant writing service that the Town of FMB and the Fire District are using), we need to send a letter to FDEM. At this late

date he gives us a 10% to 15% of acquiring assistance. They would be willing to look over our letter as a favor, Steve is willing to carry forth with formulating the letter.

- Commissioner Murphy has been in contact with the builder of the prefab home across Lazy Way in reference to get the new building under way.

### **New business**

- The contract for the web site maintenance seems extremely high. Commissioner Semmer feels that we need to shop around for competitive products. No one seems to know why the web site is down. We were not notified in any way regarding expiration of Go Daddy service.
- Attorney Pringle notified Commissioner Johnson that our website is not in compliance, and he was to have gotten us a checklist of the actions required.
- Insurance: EGIS quote seems high, Commissioner Semmer suggests we pay the annual premium of \$10,000 now, and then shop around for competitive bids. Motion to pay the bill by Commissioner Johnson, second by Commissioner Murphy. Motion passed 3-0.
- Report from Lee County Mosquito Control was very vague and confusing... Commissioner Semmer will contact LCMCD for clarification.

### **Announcements**

- Lengthy discussion about allowing use of our property, particularly the boat ramp by the public. It has always been our policy to not allow use, if for no other reason than liability. We need to be consistent.

### **Adjournment**

Motion made by Commissioner Johnson, Second by Commissioner Semmer. Approved 3-0.

November 12, 2024 at 9:21am.

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Secretary

Date of approval