

**Minutes**

**December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

is called to order the regular scheduled meeting of the Lee County Mosquito/Hyacinth Control (LCHCD) on December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 10:01 am, in the William Opp Training Center at District Homestead Road, Lehigh Acres, Florida.

**PRESENT:**

Seat 1- Commissioner Ed Brantley, Vice Chair  
Seat 2- Commissioner Brian Farrar, Secretary/Treasurer  
Seat 3- Commissioner Mike Ellis  
Seat 4- Commissioner Steve Bowen  
Seat 5- Commissioner George T. Mann, Jr.  
Seat 6- Commissioner T. Hart  
Seat 7- Commissioner Bruce Scott  
Legal Counsel – Douglas B. Szabo, Edward P. Canterbury and John A. Noland

**STAFF:**

Director- T. Wayne Gale	Assistant Director –Dr. David Hoel
Chief Financial Officer- Russ Baker	Public Information Assistant- Jamie Fowler
Deputy Director, PIO- Eric Jackson	HR Director- Jackie Small
Executive Assistant to the Director- Summer De La Cruz	Manager, Scientific Intelligence- Milton Sterling
Deputy Director, Lee County Hyacinth Control District- Kevin Watts	

**VISITORS:**

Ndakhte Ndiaye- Saint James City	Jamie Saunders- Pine Island
Virginia Skorupski- Bokeelia	Debbie Memoli- Pine Island
Ed Franke- Unknown Address	
Gabriele Solteria- Bokeelia	

**OATH OF OFFICE:** Russ Baker CFO read the oath of office to Commissioner T. Hart.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

The following citizens addressed the Board:

Debbie Memoli  
Gabriele Solteria  
Virginia Syorupski  
Jamie Saunders  
Ndakhte Ndiaye

**MINUTES APPROVAL:** *Commissioner Ellis requested board approval for the month of November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 meeting minutes. Commissioner Farrar moved to approve the November 15<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes. Commissioner Bowen seconded the motion to approve the minutes as presented. The board unanimously approved.*

**LEE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT REPORTS:** Jennifer Roth, Director of Epidemiology did not attend this month's meeting.

**WOODSTOCK AIRPORT PURCHASE:** Director T. Wayne Gale asked for the attorneys to recap on Woodstock.

John A. Noland introduces his present staff and roles. Edward P. Canterbury recaps on last board meeting on the board electing not to renew the lease and reminded the board since the lease was terminated, a closing will happen on December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Edward P. Canterbury explained that since there is litigation, Lee County Mosquito Control District can terminate the contract and receive money back or, close on the property despite the litigation. If Lee County is prepared to vote the closing can happen on December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Mr. Canterbury also adds if Lee County Mosquito Control District closes on Monday the district will save around \$4600 to \$4800 in rent money that has been unearned from seller. Mr. Canterbury briefly touched base on the easement

Commissioner Farrar made a motion to authorize contribution to the LCMCD/LCHCD RHITF from LCMCD in the amount of \$1,200,000 and from LCHCD in the amount of \$35,000 in December 2018. Commissioner T. Hart seconded the motion. The board approved unanimously.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Wayne Gale, Director of Lee County Mosquito/Hyacinth Control District thanked the Board of Commissioners as this would be his last Directors report; he retires December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Commissioner Mike Ellis recaps on Directors Gales accomplishments during his time here at LCMCD/LCHCD.

**FISCAL REVIEW:** Commissioner Farrar presented the District Treasures report for November 2018. Commissioner Brantley moved to approve the Mosquito Control District financials. Commissioner Scott seconded the motion and the board approved unanimously.

Commissioner Farrar presented the Hyacinth Control District Treasures report for November 2018. Motion to approve the Hyacinth financials was made by Commissioner Mann, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Bowen, and the board approved unanimously.

**ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS:** Ellis explained the rotation of the election of officers.

Nomination:

**Chair-** Commissioner Farrar nominated Commissioner Brantley for chair. Mann seconded the motion, the board approved unanimously.

**Vice Chair-** Commissioner Hart nominated Commissioner Scott for Vice Chair. Farrar seconded the motion, the board approved unanimously.

**Treasurer-** Commissioner Mann nominated Commissioner Farrar for Board Treasure. Scott seconded the motion, the board approved unanimously

**RESOLUTION:**


RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Lee County Mosquito and Hyacinth Control Districts, at its regular meeting held Friday, December 14, 2018, hereby recognizes the long and valued service of Director T. Wayne Gale and by this resolution expresses gratitude for his farsighted and untiring efforts on behalf of the people of Lee County, and the State of Florida, resulting in more efficient and effective mosquito and aquatic plant control, and thereby making Lee County an even better place in which to live, and

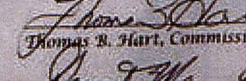
**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this Resolution be furnished to T. Wayne Gale and copy placed upon the minutes of this meeting.

**WE HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Lee County Mosquito and Hyacinth Control Districts at the regular meeting on Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

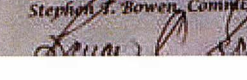
By:   
 Mike Ellis, Chairman


  
 Ed Brantley, Commissioner


  
 Brian Farrar, Secretary-Treasurer

  
 Thomas R. Hart, Commissioner

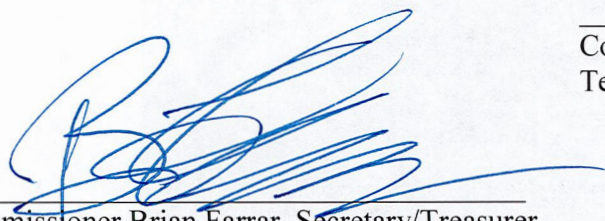
  
 George J. Mann, Jr., Commissioner

  
 Stephen J. Bowen, Commissioner


  
 Susan P. Scott, Commissioner




*There being no further business, Commissioner Ellis moved to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 11:04 a.m.*



Commissioner Brian Farrar, Secretary/Treasurer  
Term: Term: November 2018 – November 2022



Commissioner Ed Brantley, Chair  
Term: December 2016 – November 2020