

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES OF THE
SAN CARLOS ESTATES WATER CONTROL DISTRICT AGENDA**

TUESDAY January 20, 2026, 6:00 PM.

GULF SHORE CHURCH, 25300 BERNWOOD PKWY, BONITA SPRINGS FL 34135

1. Call Meeting to order. 6:00p.m.
2. Roll Call of the Board of Supervisors: Chair and President, Jim Bradford (Jim); Vice-Chair and Vice President, Jennifer Finazzo (Jennifer) – via phone and Supervisor, James Gilchrist (James) ; Engineer Ron Edenfield, Attorney Richard Pringle, John Cellucci, Manager and Superintendent of Operations, Shanelle Cruz Secretary/Treasurer and guests: 13(approx.)
3. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.
4. Receive Engineer's Report on District Works:
 - Applications
 - Open: 31 Received: 1 Finalized: 1 Inspections: 15
 - Finalized contract with McShay for striping.
 - Were asked to evaluate the need for barriers at retention ponds. There may be areas that should be looked at for potentially hazardous conditions.
 - Received 3 bids for FEMA canal restoration projects, all have exceeded the FEMA estimated cost. Discussing with FEMA liaison and have asked for and have received an extension to complete the work.
 - Investigated compliance related issues, regarding obstruction on Bonita Bill and would like to get some board direction on how to proceed.
 - Provided cost estimates for litigation attorney
5. Manager's Report
 - Inspected several driveways
 - Worked with a homeowner on Cock Robin who had a young family member drive through the swale. The homeowner repaired it.
 - Worked 4 times on gate, suggest the board revisit getting a lift arm gate.
 - Worked with engineer to visit areas where there are concerns from I5 fiber construction
 - Spent 3 evenings working with McShay striping

- Issues with people drag racing/burn outs on side streets

6. Chair's Report

- Manager has turned in his resignation and would like to thank him for his time

7. Treasurer's Report

- Received a few checks for CIP Phase 2

- Waiting on Brooks check

- Continuing to work with auditor

8. Attorney's Report

- Judge has entered an order granting summary judgement on the Montiero lawsuit

9. Amendments to the Meeting Agenda - NONE

10. Public Input on Business Agenda items (3-minute limit) - NONE

11. Business Agenda items (Agenda Items Requiring Action)

a. Meeting Minutes Approval – for December 15, 2025 Board Meeting.

James motioned to approve, Jennifer seconded, all in favor.

b. Financial Reports Approval – 12/31/2025 Bank Statements and 12/31/2025 Financial Reports.

James motioned to approve, Jennifer seconded, all in favor.

c. i5 Fiber Representative to discuss next steps on Construction of fiber optics

d. Filtration ponds discussion of fencing or no fencing

Jim motioned to be continued next month, James seconded, all in favor

e. Bonita Bill and Rodas still being blocked by a fence and a no trespassing sign what does the board want to do regarding this matter

- Need to follow policy, manager can write letters, but going to defer any questions about fencing to the engineer.

f. Approval of low bidder for canal restoration work of damage from Hurricane Ian, related to FEMA number 4673DR / damage number 1266256

- Low bid came in at approx.. \$237,000. FEMA estimated \$160,000.
- Will get with Peter and schedule a phone call with FEMA to review documents and submit bids to have FEMA reevaluate their pricing.
- Engineer will seek to get a better estimate from FEMA and bring back to board.

g. Hiring of a New Water District Manager

- Chairman would like new signs put up
- Would like to ask Sec/Treasurer to step in temporarily until a replacement is found.
- James motioned to temporarily appoint Shanelle as an interim manager at same compensation amount, Jim seconded, all in favor.
- Jim motioned to authorize James to setup a profile on FGCU website, Jennifer seconded, all in favor.

12. Public Input (3-minute limit)

- Several owners had comments about the blocking of Bonita Bill
- Darlene Smith thanked John for his time as a manager and questioned what happened to the Bonita Banner newsbox

13. Supervisor Comments

- James mentioned getting contracts in place for maintenance

14. Adjournment 7:36 pm