



Captiva Erosion Prevention District
March Board Meeting
Monday, March 7th, 2022
Tween Waters Inn, Ding Darling
Room
15951 Captiva Drive
Captiva, Florida 33924
Public Attendance via Zoom

<https://www.mycepd.com/2022-03-07-board-meeting>

1. Call to Order

- Chairman Silvia called to order the regular Board meeting of the Captiva Erosion Prevention District (CEPD) at approximately 1:00 pm on March 7th, 2022.

2. Roll Call

- The following persons were in attendance:
 - CEPD Commissioners:
 - Seat 1, Linda Laird, Commissioner
 - Seat 2, René Miville, Vice Chairman
 - Seat 3, Bob Walter, Commissioner
 - Seat 4, John Silvia, Chairman
 - Seat 5, Richard Pyle, Treasurer
 - CEPD Staff:
 - Jennifer Nelson, Executive Director
 - Daniel Munt, Director of Operations
 - James Elston, Administrative Director
 - Lindsey Ford, Legislative Administrative Aide
 - Laura Pegler, Social Media Director
 - Ralf Brookes, CEPD Attorney

3. Approval of Minutes

- February 7th, 2022 Board Meeting
 - Commissioner Laird motioned for the approval of minutes.
 - Commissioner Walter seconded the motion.

- The motion was voted on and passed unanimously, 5-0.

4. **Changes to the Agenda (see video at 0:08:02)**

- Chairman Silvia nominated Commissioner Laird to come up with a performance review form with attorney Brookes and after discussion Commissioner Laird agreed to take the role.
- Vice Chairman Miville wanted to add his PDF presentation to section 8A2. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Miville to add this change to the agenda. Chairman Silvia seconded that motion. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

5. **Public Comments – Limit 3 minutes per person (see video at 0:12:04)**

- Public comment was invited
 - Mike Campbell provided an update to blind pass.
 - Treasurer Pyle stated that he thought there was an inclusion in our permit for the renourishment project that covered maintaining the flow of Blind Pass which the Director of Operations confirmed but Sanibel chose not to take part this time around.
 - Joel Caouette from the City of Sanibel gave an update on why Sanibel did not participate in the 2021 renourishment.

6. **Financial Report (see video at 0:29:01)**

- February Financials
 - Treasurer Pyle reviewed the February financials.
 - Treasurer Pyle expressed concern over the lack of grant redemptions.
 - Chairman Silvia suggested the way the budget is done be reviewed.
 - Vice Chairman Miville commented about the economic study done by Dr. Stronge.
 - Vice Chairman Miville asked to have the metrics for the economic study reviewed.

7. **Old Business (see video at 0:43:48)**

- Dune Planting Protection Update
 - Confirmed that Earth Balance would start the installation of the ropes and polls next week,
 - Chairman Silvia asked that next time we do a renourishment, we should be prepared to put signs, ropes, and poles up as soon as it is completed so there are no delays.

8. New Business

- Performance Review and Salary Adjustment (**see video at 0:58:18**)
 - Treasurer Pyle thought it was too soon to do a performance review for the Executive Director
 - After some discussion a motion was made by Chairman Silvia to postpone the review until September after the apportionment was complete.
 - Seconded by Treasurer Pyle.
 - Vote was held and passed unanimously
- Salary Adjustment (**see video at 1:16:39**)
 - A slideshow comparing salaries of other special districts was shared by Commissioner Miville.
 - Discussion ensued about the CEPD staff
 - Commissioner Walter suggested that the staff fill out reviews when they are due in September as well.
 - Commissioner Laird made a motion to discuss salary for Executive Director Nelson
 - Seconded by Treasurer Pyle
 - Discussion was held
 - Vote was held and motion failed 4 to 1
 - Chairman Silvia: Nay
 - Vice Chairman Miville: Nay
 - Treasurer Pyle: Nay
 - Commissioner Walter: Nay
 - Commissioner Laird: Yay
- Board Member Emeritus Nomination (**see video at 1:57:50**)
 - Chairman Silvia made a motion to make Mike Mullins the Board Member Emeritus.
 - Commissioner Walter seconded the motion.

- Discussion was held
- Vote was held and passed unanimously

9. Administrative Report (see video at 2:00:32)

- Executive Director Nelson briefed the commissioners on her meeting with State Representatives.
- Executive Director Nelson informed the commissioners that she needed approval to post the meeting dates in the paper
- Vice Chairman Miville made a motion to approve the \$2,817.00 for the News-Press ad.
- Commissioner Laird seconded the motion
- Vote was held and passed unanimously

10. Commissioner Comments (see video at 2:05:10)

- Commissioner Laird expressed her interests in having sea level rise workshops in the near future.
- Executive Director Nelson stated she had a meeting with APTIM the next day and agreed to email the commissioners to let them know how it went
- Funding Requests for the Tourist Development Council (TDC) were submitted.
- Chairman Silvia stated he wanted no workshops for March
- It was brought to the attention of the board by Vice Chairman Miville and attorney Brookes that workshops can be done via Zoom.

11. Adjournment (see video at 2:24:24)

- Chairman Silvia made a motion to adjourn the meeting
- Vice Chairman Miville seconded the motion
- All commissioners were in favor
- Meeting adjourned

Action Items

Meet with Sebastian Inlet- Daniel Munt

Sea Level Rise Workshop in April– James Elston, Vice Chairman Miville, Commissioner Laird

Redo budget process– Jennifer Nelson, Commissioner Walter, Jason Smith

Blind Pass follow-up- Vice Chairman Miville

Dune measurement poles- Jennifer Nelson, Ralph Brookes