

**LAKE EDGEWOOD CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**  
Board of Directors Meeting  
September 12, 2023 / 7:00 pm  
Minutes

Those in attendance: Chairman Stege, Director Rakowski, Director Nealy, Financial Clerk Horn, and 23 Freeholders.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Reading of the Minutes** – Secretary Stuard read the August 8, 2023 meeting minutes. There was a change in the wording from painting and structures to building and structures in the presented minutes. Director Rakowski motioned to accept the minutes as presented, and Director Nealy seconded the motion. All were in favor with no opposition.

**Financial Reports** – Financial Clerk Horn had nothing to submit at this time.

**Web/Email Changes** – Director Nealy has the website up and running and commented that anything not presented for the 2023 calendar year has been archived. She stated that the community text messaging application has been working intermittently, so she will work on improving that before the next meeting.

**2024 Budget Public Meeting** – Financial Clerk Horn presented the budget increase to \$122,700, which is a 2.3% increase from the 2023 budget. He stated the budget line items haven't changed from the 2023 year, just slight increases in certain areas. The budget adoption will be presented at the October meeting.

**LECD Rules Update** – A draft copy of the potential rules and regulation changes will be posted on the LECD website for all freeholders to review. The October Meeting will hold a vote to adopt the draft copy of the changes.

**HOA and County Zoning** – There was discussion on how and when the LECD community could get on the County Commissioners Meeting Agenda to discuss short-term rentals within a Conservancy District. Some freeholders stated that this action was unnecessary due to a law already in effect. Others at the meeting feel this action is necessary to try and solidify this law with our County Commissioners Office. Director Nealy was going to make a call to see about getting on the October Agenda; in the meantime, more community discussion will occur at the next meeting.

**2024 Nominations** – New positions will be needed for Area 2 Director, Financial Clerk, and Board Secretary. Nominations will run until the end of October, and all forms are due by December 1, 2023.

**Lake Lowering** – The lake will start to be lowered on October 20, 2023. The lake will be reduced by approximately 1.5 inches a day until the lake has been lowered a total of 3'.

**Miscellaneous** – The dam signal will be turned off. Director Nealy was going to check to see if the LECD Board meetings need to be presented virtually per a new regulation starting in 2024.

**Public Comment** – Thanks was given by a freeholder to the LECD Board Member for their time and effort in making our community better. A freeholder expressed that he had heard much negative feedback about the sand at the community beach. Director Rakowski stated that sand was added last season, and excavating the sand out of the beach shoreline needs to happen now. It was mentioned that the time to do that would be after the lake lowered.

**Adjournment** – A motion to adjourn was submitted by Director Rakowski and seconded by Director Nealy

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Stuard  
Secretary