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## South Florida Water Management District

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### Governing Board Special Meeting Public Hearing on FY2010-11 Tentative Millages and Tentative Budget **MEETING MINUTES**

September 8, 2010

5:15 PM

District Headquarters - B-1 Auditorium  
3301 Gun Club Road  
West Palm Beach, FL 33406

Members Present:

**Sandy Batchelor**  
**Charles Dauray**  
**Kevin Powers**

**Eric Buermann**  
**Shannon Estenoz**  
**Glenn Waldman**

**Joe Collins**  
**Jerry Montgomery**

**1. Call to Order** - Eric Buermann, Chairman, Governing Board

Chair Buermann called the meeting to order at 5:27 p.m.

**2. Changes to Agenda** - Annette Carter, Director, Office of Governing Board & Executive Services

Annette Carter, Director, Office of Governing Board & Executive Services, read into the record:

Section 120.525, Florida Statutes, allows the District to change the published agenda for good cause shown, as determined by the presiding officer. The Chairman has determined good cause exists. These changes are being made in order to permit the Governing Board to accomplish necessary public business at this meeting and to reflect the items on the agenda that have been deleted, revised, added or postponed. These changes have been listed in the Addendum available to the public at the entrance to this meeting room and provided to the Governing Board.

- 3. Explanation of the Percentage Increase, if any, in Millage Over the Rolled-Back Rate Necessary to Fund the FY2010-2011 Budget, and the Specific Purposes for which Ad Valorem Tax Revenues are being Increased - Mike Smykowski, Director, Budget Office (ext. 6295)**

Mike Smykowski, Director, Budget Office, provided information on each of the District millage rates necessary to fund FY2010-2011 Budget. There was no increase in taxes to be discussed.

- 4. Presentation of the Tentative FY2010-2011 Budget - Mike Smykowski, Director, Budget Office (ext. 6295)**

Mr. Smykowski presented an overview of the tentative FY2010-2011 budget and reported the tentative budget is \$1,071,755,407.

- 5. 2010-935B A Resolution of the Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District approving the Tentative Millage Rates for the South Florida Water Management District, the Okeechobee Basin of the South Florida Water Management District, and the Everglades Construction Project within the Okeechobee Basin for fiscal year 2010-2011; providing an effective date (Mike Smykowski, ext. 6295).**

Motion made by Shannon Estenoz, seconded by Jerry Montgomery, to approve Resolution No. 2010-935B (Agenda Item 5). Vote called. Voting yes: Eric Buermann, Shannon Estenoz, Charles Dauray, Joe Collins, Sandy Batchelor, Kevin Powers, Jerry Montgomery, Glenn Waldman. Motion passed 8-0.

- 6. 2010-936B A Resolution of the Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District approving the Tentative Millage Rates for the South Florida Water Management District and the Big Cypress Basin of the South Florida Water Management District for fiscal year 2010-2011; providing an effective date (Mike Smykowski, ext. 6295).**

Motion made by Jerry Montgomery, seconded by Shannon Estenoz, to approve Resolution No. 2010-936B (Agenda Item 6). Vote called. Voting yes: Eric Buermann, Shannon Estenoz, Charles Dauray, Joe Collins, Sandy Batchelor, Kevin Powers, Jerry Montgomery, Glenn Waldman. Motion passed 8-0.

- 7. 2010-937B A Resolution of the Governing board of the South Florida Water Management District adopting the Tentative Budget for fiscal year 2010-2011; providing an effective date (Mike Smykowski, ext. 6295).**

Motion made by Shannon Estenoz, seconded by Jerry Montgomery, to approve Resolution No. 2010-937B (Agenda Item 7). Vote called. Voting yes: Eric Buermann, Shannon Estenoz, Charles Dauray, Joe Collins, Sandy Batchelor, Kevin Powers, Jerry Montgomery, Glenn Waldman. Motion passed 8-0.

- 8. A Presentation of the Everglades Agricultural Privilege Tax Roll, C-139 Basin Agricultural Privilege Tax Roll, Incentive Credits, Vegetable Classified Acreage, and Disaster Deferrals - Marcie Daniel, Section Leader, Budget Office (ext. 6469).**

Marcie Daniel, Section Leader, Budget Office, presented information on the Everglades Agricultural Privilege Tax Roll, C-139 Basin Agricultural Privilege Tax, Incentive Credits, Vegetable Classified Acreage and Disaster Deferrals.

- 9. 2010-938B** A Resolution of the Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District relating to the Everglades Agricultural Privilege Tax; determining the amount and application of the EAA-wide incentive credit; providing the disposition of applications for individual farm credits; providing the disposition of applications for classification as vegetable acreage; applying the deferral of agricultural privilege taxes for the 1996 and 2000 vegetable classified acreage; approving and certifying the Everglades Agricultural Privilege Tax Roll; and providing an effective date. (Marcie Daniel, ext. 6469)

Motion made by Shannon Estenoz, seconded by Jerry Montgomery, to approve Resolution No. 2010-938B (Agenda Item 9). Vote called. Voting yes: Eric Buermann, Shannon Estenoz, Charles Dauray, Joe Collins, Sandy Batchelor, Kevin Powers, Jerry Montgomery, Glenn Waldman. Motion passed 8-0.

- 10. 2010-939B** A Resolution of the Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District relating to the C-139 Agricultural Privilege Tax; providing the disposition of applications for classification as vegetable acreage; approving and certifying the C-139 Agricultural Privilege tax Roll; and providing an effective date. (Marcie Daniel, ext. 6469)

Motion made by Shannon Estenoz, seconded by Jerry Montgomery, to approve Resolution No. 2010-939B (Agenda Item 10). Vote called. Voting yes: Eric Buermann, Shannon Estenoz, Charles Dauray, Joe Collins, Sandy Batchelor, Kevin Powers, Jerry Montgomery, Glenn Waldman. Motion passed 8-0.

**11. Public Comment**

Chair Buermann reported on the number of emails and voicemails the Board has received from citizens requesting no increased taxes. They will be part of the record. Chair Buermann emphasized that the agency is not raising taxes.

Public Comment: Charles Lee, Audubon, requested that the Board revisit and increase funding in the final budget for the Payment for Environmental Services Program.

Public Comment: Martha Musgrove, citizen, commented on all the Water Management Districts using carry-over money to fund the 2011 budget. She supports raising taxes for the purchase of the U.S. Sugar land acquisition.

Ms. Estenoz would like staff to review funding availability to increase the Payment for Environment Services Program. Ms. Estenoz would also like the Florida City Flood Control Structure funded (\$350,000).

**12. Adjourn**

Chair Buermann adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Motion made by Jerry Montgomery, seconded by Shannon Estenoz, to adjourn the meeting. Vote called. Voting yes: Sandy Batchelor, Kevin Powers, Joe Collins, Charles Dauray, Eric Buermann, Jerry Montgomery, Shannon Estenoz and Glenn Waldman. Motion passed 8-0.

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Eric Buermann  
Governing Board Chairman  
South Florida Water Management District Governing Board

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