

MINUTES OF MEETING
VILLAGES OF BLOMMINGDALE
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Villages of Bloomingdale Community Development District was held on Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at the HCC at the Regent, 6437 Watson Road, Riverview, Florida, 33578.

Present and constituting a quorum were:

Dave Moore	Chairman
Todd Cole	Vice Chairman
Curtis Brown	Assistant Secretary
Jackie Darden	Assistant Secretary

Also present were:

Jason Showe	District Manager
Mike Eckert	District Counsel by phone
Joe Montagna	Amenity Manager
Geno Montagna	Vesta
Drew Haight	Vesta
Heather Alexandre	Vesta

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Roll Call

Mr. Showe called the meeting to order and called the roll. All Supervisors were present with the exception of Ms. Darden and Ms. Campbell.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Public Comment Period

Mr. Showe stated we will open the floor for any members of the audience that would like to provide any comments on the agenda. I will note for purposes of the recording, only members of staff and the Board are present.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

**Approval of Minutes of January 17, 2018
Board of Supervisors Meeting**

Mr. Showe stated the minutes were provided as part of your agenda package and we can take any corrections or changes at this time.

Ms. Darden joined the meeting.

On MOTION by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Cole, with all in favor, the Minutes of the January 17, 2018 Board of Supervisors Meeting were approved, as presented.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS Unfinished Business

Mr. Showe stated there is no unfinished business.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS New Business/Supervisor’s Requests

A. Discussion of Memo Regarding Annual Adjustments on Additional Services with River X, LLC

Mr. Showe stated District Counsel prepared a memo about the River X, LLC additional services. Mike, do you want to go over that?

Mr. Eckert responded yes. We provided the memo because, over time, the District has the ability to modify the amount charged to the property for trash pick-up and extra security. We just wanted to get that on the record, so the Manager has it and you can review that in accordance with our budget process each year. Sometimes we enter into agreements and they get signed and filed, but then we all forget we agreed to handle things in the future. I wanted to get that into the agenda. Beyond that, we are locked in right now, but in a couple of years, we have the ability to make adjustments as we see fit.

Mr. Showe asked are there any questions on the memo? We will keep it for reference. As we go through the budget process, we will look at it every year and see if we need to make any adjustments.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS Staff Reports

A. Attorney

There being none, the next item followed.

B. Amenity Service Manager

i. Presentation of Amenity Manager’s Report

Mr. Joe Montagna stated Geno has been involved with the Villages of Bloomingdale for over 10 years now. He managed other districts in Apollo Beach. He will be taking over the day-

to-day managerial duties. We also have Rudy and Heather with Vesta here today who will assist him. Geno submitted the Manager's Report.

Mr. Geno Montagna stated we had the tile and grout cleaned in lobby, kitchen and bathrooms like we do every year, to get ready for spring. The ponds were treated and inspected by Aquagenix. The pool report was in your agenda. Everything was okay. Diversified Landcare did their monthly wet checks for the irrigation. They were going to get back to me on one issue, but said that they would be able to fix small items.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated such as some of the decoders by the Clubhouse.

Mr. Geno Montagna stated exactly. We collected three proposals for the Clubhouse pool deck building painting, which are under separate cover, showing prices and what they are going to do. The pressure washing for the Clubhouse playground and entrance signs will be completed before the painting. We already called Rainmaker who did it years before and told him what is going on. He said, *"Let me find out when you are going to do the painting and we will just do everything around the same time."* In fact, one of people that gave us a painting quote is a person he knows, which happens to be number three. Turner Pest Control treated the Clubhouse on the 26th of this month. There are no issues to report. There were a few items, like out in the playland area where there were ants. They treated that and everything seems to be okay. The gym equipment is being maintained with no issues to report. They replaced some bearings a couple of weeks back, but now I noticed it starting to make noise again, so I called them. I was told that they were going to send a person out.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated that would be under our warranty.

Mr. Geno Montagna stated they fixed it.

Mr. Moore stated it seems like they come out and it works okay for a week or two.

Mr. Geno Montagna stated part of it is that the equipment is getting old.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated its probably one of those rocker arms. The good thing about having them come back, is everything is maintained and under warranty, so we don't have to worry about it. If we called an outside company, it would be a different situation.

Mr. Moore stated I don't mind doing it.

Mr. Geno Montagna stated the pool is being maintained twice a week, increasing to three times a week starting in March, like it does every year. There are no issues to report with the

pool. The new pool company is so much different than the guys we had there before. I know that monetarily, is the reason why we stayed with Commercial Pools.

Mr. Moore stated it actually looks like a pool.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated there is a big difference.

Mr. Geno Montagna stated I go out there with the net, but it's doing everything it's supposed to do. I'm looking forward to Spring Break coming up. It's upon us.

Mr. Brown asked how are we doing with the Sheriff's Department? We were going to be making a break room.

Mr. Joe Montagna responded they contacted Drew. I don't know what the situation was with that, whether they set a certain time or date to come in and do it. The Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office wanted to use the Clubhouse after hours for use of the restrooms.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated I will check with Drew.

Mr. Brown stated I was just curious because they are patrolling in the community.

Mr. Geno Montagna stated they are patrolling the community, because there is a lot of activity.

Ms. Darden stated there are more kids than ever.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated we will follow up to see what actually transpired.

Mr. Geno Montagna stated if they came in after hours, someone has to come into the main building and turn the alarm on.

Ms. Darden stated at the west end of Progress Boulevard, there is a gas station and gym. That might be where they would choose to hang out, because there's coffee. They are still in close proximity, but it would not impact our security.

Mr. Cole asked why couldn't we have a lock box with a card and a temporary alarm code that we could give out, so when they come, they can open the lock box, have a key and the alarm code, use the bathroom and hang out. It's more important for the car to be at the Clubhouse, so that it could be seen on a regular basis. That way, any deputy can come, not just one. If they don't have the code to the lock box, they can call somebody who can give it to them.

Mr. Brown stated there are ways of working with them.

Mr. Cole stated that's going to be the most cost-effective way to do it.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated they will need a key, card and alarm code.

Mr. Cole stated you can buy a lock box for \$15 to \$20.

Mr. Brown stated Jackie, to answer your question, they want them away from places where they might get ambushed while they are in their quiet time.

Mr. Geno Montagna stated one Security Guard who worked from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m., went down the street and came back on purpose and saw activity by the playground. He thought to himself "*Do I go over and confront them? I'm off duty. What do I do?*" It's a concern. They watch me leave.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated it's nice to know that we have extra coverage with HCSO. Obviously, that would alleviate the problems.

Mr. Brown asked do you experiment with staggering his schedule temporarily to see if that changes anything?

Mr. Joe Montagna responded we scheduled them from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m., because of the movie theater schedule.

Mr. Moore stated I don't think we can change those hours.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated it has been good because there haven't been any incidents from that time period. It wouldn't be a good idea to change it. I think having deputies come around to use the facility and making an appearance, is going to help tremendously.

Mr. Moore stated the sooner we can arrange it, so that its convenient for the Sheriff's Office to come in, the better off we are going to be. It's almost like having free security. Just their presence is going to make a difference. If they are coming and going as they please, they are not going to have a set schedule, which is going to be a huge upside. People aren't going to know when the Sheriff comes. The Sheriff can pull up at any minute. If we can get that up and running and as smooth as possible, let's do it.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated I will have Geno work with Drew. I know that he was working on that. We will move forward and get that implemented.

Mr. Cole asked in the meantime, why wouldn't you have staggered hours. Instead of having them come in at 9:00 p.m., have them come in at 10:00 p.m. on some days. It's the same number of hours. If you do it 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m., everybody knows what's going to happen at 1:00 a.m.

Mr. Moore stated when we negotiated with the theater people, we looked at their hours.

Mr. Cole stated I understand that, but we haven't had any issues. It's not a big issue with the people at the theater.

Mr. Moore stated but they are paying for it.

Mr. Cole stated regardless, it's still the same number of hours. You are just shifting an hour one way or the other.

Mr. Moore stated but the theater people has already been saying that the hour from 1:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. has nothing to do with the theater, so why are they paying for it?

Mr. Cole responded the worst that can happen is they say no. Some nights we like for them to come in at 10:00 p.m.

Mr. Moore stated they weren't very accommodating when we negotiated it.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated it is difficult to find a security company that will work within those parameters. 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. is a very short shift.

Mr. Cole stated I understand that, but it's still four hours.

Mr. Brown stated the invoice does not show times on it. It shows how many hours they work, but it doesn't show 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

Mr. Showe stated there is detail.

Mr. Moore stated we negotiated 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Their last movie gets out around 12:30 a.m.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated we looked at the schedule.

Mr. Brown asked what do they have at the movie theater after 1:00 a.m.?

Mr. Joe Montagna responded they don't have any showings after 12:15 a.m.

Mr. Brown stated I mean for security. I know I have seen security guards.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated they have a lot of off-duty deputies that come through there. Off-duty officers get paid close to \$45 an hour.

Mr. Brown stated from 1:30 a.m. to 2:00 a.m., they have issues.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated that's if the theater is closed at 1:00 a.m. and staff vacates.

Mr. Brown stated it's the perfect parking lot to do something. It's even better than the playground area.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated that's not our property.

Mr. Brown stated if they have somebody there, that may be what's driving them to come over to us.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated that's why we did that. We looked at the movie theater schedule. We could always ask U.S. Securities if they would be willing to accommodate us, but

I think with the way things are right now, they are probably going to stick to the 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. schedule. It's very difficult to find a security company that would only work four hours.

Mr. Brown stated most shifts are six hours.

Mr. Cole stated I understand.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated that's how we were able to get the price of \$15 an hour. If it was armed security, it would've went up past \$18 an hour and maybe into the \$20 range.

Mr. Moore asked how does that fit in with we budgeted and looked at earlier?

Mr. Joe Montagna stated it fits in with the increases for years three, four and five.

Mr. Moore stated if we have up to a 25% increase, can it cover that? That may be something we need to consider when we get past year two.

Mr. Joe Montagna responded you also have to consider that this includes extra trash collection by the landscaping company. Right now, we are right where we need to be from a budgetary standpoint. It wouldn't allow for any increases until years three through five.

Mr. Cole stated right. What I'm saying is after we get done through year two, which is coming up in six months or eight months, we may look at upgrading to armed security.

Mr. Moore stated if the 25% increase is in there and the theater people agree to pay it and its already budgeted for, why wouldn't you do the stronger security?

Mr. Joe Montagna stated sure.

Ms. Darden stated right.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated once year three comes up and we are getting close to year three, we will bring that issue up again and see what the quote would be for armed security, but I know that it's going to be at least \$3 an hour more.

Mr. Moore stated if we are paying \$15 and it goes up \$3, that's not 25%. We are going to be able to increase our budget 25%.

Mr. Brown stated we are paying \$15 an hour now, but the guard itself is getting less than \$10 an hour.

Mr. Moore stated if the increase after year two would allow us to strengthen our security, I don't why we wouldn't do it.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated that's an internal matter with them.

Mr. Moore stated its not coming from us.

ii. Presentation of Aquatic Services Report

Mr. Joe Montagna stated Dwayne the tech met with Geno on Monday the 6th. If you are looking at Pond 1, one thing you are going to notice is that the ponds are in good shape, as far as the amount of rainwater that's in there, compared to typical winter months, last year and years previous. Trash was picked up. Any grasses and algae were spot treated. Water levels were slightly higher after Sunday's rain, which is good. The same thing with Pond 2. The water level was high and the pond looks good. Pond 3 was the only one where the water level stayed lower, because it's such a wide pond. Still, there's more water in there now, compared to where it was last February. In Pond 4, the water level is great right now. Some of our beneficial grasses were treated and trash was picked up. The same thing with Ponds 5 and 6. Pond 5 behind the Clubhouse has some submerged grasses that pop up. They were treated and typically it takes about 10 days for that treatment to activate and take full effect. The 10 days are now up. Water levels are still low on Pond 6. Trash was picked up. Pond 7 looks great. Water levels are definitely up from the last visit. I keep bringing the water levels up, because, typically we would see almost like a sand bar in wintertime, but you are not seeing that. If we get heavy rains this spring and summertime, obviously we have the infrastructure and it can handle all of the water. Jason knows with all of the other Districts with ponds, this is a better place to be in right now for February.

Mr. Moore stated I actually have a different question, which may be related to the water levels. In that drainage ditch, behind where I am, rats are becoming a major issue. I thought it was just our row, but it turns out that everyone bordering the drainage ditch has a rate problem. There are quite a few. It's not small numbers. They have actually seen them coming out of there. Is there anything that any other communities have done successfully or is it just an individual thing with each townhouse? Have you heard of that issue in any other communities?

Mr. Showe responded there are some traps that you can use, but if there's a high concentration of them and they are already in the townhomes or in the buildings, it's a little hard to get rid of them.

Mr. Brown stated people are getting them treated, but some people are spending thousands and thousands of dollars to get them out. It turns out that its literally almost everybody.

Mr. Geno Montagna asked are they coming out of the ponds?

Mr. Brown responded that's where people have seen them.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated it's tough to say where the rats originally came from.

Mr. Brown stated the exterminator companies have all said that the rats were coming mainly through the air conditioning in back of the units. It reinforced where people have said they have seen them coming out of the pond. They are not coming out of the pond. They are coming from the drainage.

Mr. Moore stated I've seen some tiny ones when I had plants out there during the summertime and I ended up killing one or two of them, but I haven't seen one for quite some time. That was in a different area.

Ms. Darden stated he's backed up to a ravine.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated the HOA probably told you that it was the homeowners responsibility to treat it.

Mr. Brown stated the HOA sent a letter out that they were going to force treat residences, but I don't think they actually did. I just wanted to bring it up in case you had any treatments in other Districts other than setting routine traps.

Mr. Showe stated typically when it comes to wildlife, there's not a whole lot you can do, especially in the conservation areas.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated we have had rats in other Districts, but it's basically the same thing. There are other animals down south like the wild boar situation in some of the other Districts and raccoons and bats.

Mr. Brown stated we have tons of those.

Ms. Darden asked can we get an update on the bat houses? There were four bat houses installed and there have been some complaints on the HOA side about the bats, so I said that I would ask about the bat houses. My initial thought was how you were going to direct the bats to the bat houses.

Mr. Brown responded unfortunately, that was a missed opportunity at implementation, but the question would be if the sensors picked up anything. I bet the answer was no.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated it's the same company that we used at Dupree Lakes. If you reach out to them, have them do an annual inspection when they come out. They are on the other side of the State.

Ms. Darden stated I just wanted to follow-up with the HOA.

Mr. Joe Montagna asked do you remember when the season was that they were protecting?

Ms. Darden responded it was twice a year, right?

Mr. Joe Montagna stated I believe that it was March through the end of May.

Ms. Darden stated that's their mating season.

Mr. Brown stated if there was a plan of anything that you would do, it would have to occur at the end of May.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated I remember two years ago, they came out and said that there was activity inside of the boxes and they were being utilized.

Mr. Brown stated oh they did, because originally the sensors had shown no one went in.

Ms. Darden asked do they show pictures?

Mr. Moore responded they have it on camera.

Ms. Darden asked is there any way that they can do something that can drive them there, like a sonic signal, because it's really bad in people's homes? The bats are in their homes and they are smelling it.

Mr. Joe Montagna responded with other Districts, I think they said that there wasn't any signal or scent that they could put in there. Once a few starts, it triggers the rest. They surveyed the property and put them in the best locations to draw them. We will ask them that question.

Ms. Darden stated thank you.

Mr. Moore stated if there are some in there already, I don't know what more you can do.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated other than adding additional boxes. Those boxes hold quite a few, like a couple hundred in each box.

Ms. Darden stated there's a couple of hundred in one house.

Mr. Brown stated I think those boxes cost a couple thousand dollars.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated we got a larger size box.

Mr. Brown stated I saw them at a presentation.

Mr. Moore stated the bat box by Pond 7 is huge. It could collect literally thousands of bats.

Ms. Darden asked is this near you?

Mr. Moore responded yes, behind my house.

Ms. Darden stated you can't see it?

Mr. Moore responded I can see them from my house, but I haven't walked down to it for quite some time.

Ms. Darden stated I'm going to take a walk over there.

Mr. Moore stated thousands of bats can fit in there. I remember when we approved buying these, they said that each one can hold thousands.

Ms. Darden stated getting the bats to the box is the issue.

Mr. Moore stated my understanding was if you can get a few to go into the box, then it becomes a party.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated the rest will start following.

Mr. Moore stated other than that, I don't know what else you can do.

Ms. Darden stated the estimate, right now for cleaning them out of the house is upward to \$1,400 at the owner's expense.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated there's no guarantee from the company that they are going to get them into the boxes. You put them in the best places.

Mr. Geno Montagna stated you would think that they had some kind of smell or something that would draw them or bait the box.

Ms. Darden stated yes, that is what I would do.

Mr. Showe stated we will ask them if there's anything they can do.

Mr. Moore stated maybe we should put some mosquitos in front of the box.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated I will take a look and see what they have out there.

iii. Consideration of Proposals for Painting Services

Mr. Joe Montagna stated we asked a lot of different vendors to come out and supply quotes. Some were reluctant to come out and give us quotes, but we were able to get three competitive quotes, between Drew and Geno. They are all the same like and kind. They are going to paint the pool deck, pressure wash, seal and do the exterior of the building. They are also going to do the ceilings, sidewalks and walkways on the patio area. The first one is from the company that was recommended to us by Rainmaker who does our pressure washing once a year. As you go through these, they are basically the same type of job, but with different prices. We increased the budget this year to \$12,500, for extra facility maintenance, with the idea that we were going to paint the outside of the building and pool deck this year. All three companies

are qualified, they have the insurance in place to do this, but there are three totally different quotes and dollar amounts.

Mr. Brown asked have you dealt with any of these vendors in other communities?

Mr. Joe Montagna responded Drew dealt with Garrison Painting in other communities and have seen their work. We also dealt with Amber Pavers. They do an excellent job; however, their price was almost twice as much as the second quote.

Mr. Moore asked are all three of these companies going to scrape, patch, sand, refill with spackling and smooth it before they paint? I wasn't sure if it was included in the lower one.

Mr. Brown responded the third proposal lays it out a lot more than the others.

Mr. Moore stated maybe I was not seeing it in the Garrison one. It seemed that 360° Painting was a little more thorough, even though they are slightly more expensive. It may be a preventative maintenance type thing, because one company is just going to scrape the old paint off and not worry about the places that need to be patched, sanded and spackled. It will cost us more money down the road.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated if you are going to do this, do it the right way the first time and have all of the cracks taken care of and then treated the right way. If you want to authorize a not-to-exceed dollar amount, we can always go back to any of these companies or Garrison to see if they would include that for a certain dollar amount. We want to get this done this month or early March before there's heavy usage of the pool.

Mr. Brown stated I suggest going back to Garrison and sharing the 360° quote with them, but taking out the price and asking if they will be doing the exact same thing for the price they are quoting. If they say "Yes," I would go with Garrison.

Mr. Moore stated I would agree with that. With the price difference, the sanding and spackling isn't going to cost \$1,500 more, so perhaps Garrison can include those things. I was looking for preventative maintenance.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated absolutely.

Mr. Moore stated let's do it right, if we are going to do it and if things need to be sanded and re-spackled and those types of things, that's going to be preventative maintenance. Otherwise, a painting company is just going to come in and paint over the stuff that probably needed to be repaired first and we are going to have more expenses down the road. I would go back and ask them.

Mr. Brown stated in addition, I would ask about the quality of paint that they are using, such as a premium paint. I think it's important for them to say "*This is the paint that we are using.*"

Ms. Darden stated that's probably why the quotes are so different.

Mr. Brown stated the difference in quotes could be due to the number of people on the job. Garrison is going to take 7 to 14 days, because you are paying less people.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated they are a smaller company with less people.

Mr. Brown stated if you are comparing apples-to-apples, that's why I would go back and share 360's bid with Garrison to see if they will do the same exact thing.

Mr. Moore asked should the job take 7 to 15 days?

Mr. Brown responded yes, if you have less people. If you have 10 people on the job, versus having three, it's going to take more time.

Mr. Moore stated I understand.

Mr. Brown stated you have to take rain into consideration. They built in a padding.

Mr. Moore stated that's probably why it's a good idea for us to get this approved while it's still fairly dry.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated exactly. That's why I was trying to do it before the rainy season starts.

Mr. Brown stated none of them really talk about the paint or the guarantee that comes with the paint.

Mr. Moore stated no. That's why I asked about it. It didn't say. We need to determine who is using what paint, in order to get an accurate comparison. That might be why some of these quotes were much higher. They are using the higher quality paint. We have no idea who is using what.

Mr. Geno Montagna stated they have to use a non-slip sealer on the pool deck.

Mr. Moore stated I just want to be sure that it's not the cheap stuff.

Mr. Brown asked do we want to approve something that gives them the leeway to operate in, so they can move forward if they get quotes that they are comfortable with?

Mr. Moore asked like a not-to-exceed?

Mr. Showe responded we can do a not-to-exceed.

Mr. Brown stated otherwise we are holding on another month.

Mr. Moore stated the motion would be not-to-exceed the 360° bid.

Mr. Brown stated we could designate it to the Chair.

Mr. Showe stated we can set a not-to-exceed, as long as he shares it with the Chair and gets approval. That way the Board has set a cap on it, as long as it comes in under and the Chair is agreeable.

Mr. Moore stated if we are going to set it up that way, I would say to go with a cap. That way when we go back to Garrison, if they would match everything that 360° is quoting and they come in under that, it's under the cap.

Mr. Brown asked wouldn't we want to approve the maximum, in case they are using a higher quality paint, with the idea of going to the middle amount? In other words, if these people say that they are using the highest quality paint, and these other two aren't, that's the difference.

Mr. Showe responded you can approve a higher amount. You can approve whatever amount the Board is comfortable with.

Mr. Brown stated I'm saying to approve the amount on the first invoice, but aim for the higher price, in case they come back with a major difference in the paint. I don't think they are going to.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated Curtis is alluding to the very first invoice.

Mr. Moore asked the \$8,800?

Mr. Brown responded the one from the paving company. I'm aiming for the middle one. That way, you are protected if there really is a difference in the paint.

Mr. Moore stated that would make more sense.

Mr. Showe stated the motion would be to approve a not-to-exceed of \$8,800 for painting services.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated that's fine.

Mr. Showe stated once they secured their final quote, they need approval from the Chairman to execute.

On MOTION by Mr. Brown, seconded by Ms. Darden, with all in favor, authorizing a not-to-exceed amount of \$8,800 for painting services and authorizing the Chairman to execute the proposal, was approved.

C. District Manager's Report

1. Approval of Check Register

Mr. Joe Montagna stated you have the operation and maintenance (O&M) expenditures for January. What stood out were U.S. Security invoices from late November to January. They came into the Clubhouse in January and said "*We are not being paid on our invoices, so what's happening?*" I said "*I noticed that you haven't been sending them in, what happened?*" For some reason, they switched the address for your office. They had the suite number mixed up and the wrong zip code. I don't know how that happened on their end, but I provided them with the correct address and everything was sent over.

Mr. Brown stated you mentioned last time that you were not getting them.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated I wondered what was going on, so when they came in, now we know what's going on. That was the only difference and why you see so many for January. I called Frontier Communications in October to renew the plan with them. Frontier does not offer the same packages as Verizon. That's why there's a price difference in what they are offering, compared to what the bills were previously. When we changed from Verizon, Frontier honored the Verizon contracts until they ran out, which was December of last year. In the last month, we had a credit, because they had an overpayment with the digital receivers. I talked to them and they said \$329 with tax and everything is about the best price that they can get it down to, because that's the package that's the most comparable to the one that they had with Verizon. They are going to look for other additional discounts. Jason, how is our Frontier bill compared to other Districts?

Mr. Showe responded it's about right there. Unfortunately, with utilities you don't get a lot of choice, so you just have to negotiate the best you can.

Mr. Cole asked has anyone reached out to Spectrum?

Mr. Joe Montagna responded we want to reach out to Spectrum and have them price it out.

Mr. Moore stated I know that it is for TV and internet, but the TV in the Clubhouse is basic. The price that they are charging us seems way out of whack.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated it does. I looked at the video portion. Its \$100 a month for the television.

Mr. Moore stated we don't have high definition or any premium or sports channels. There's nothing extra. Is it \$100 for basic?

Mr. Joe Montagna stated we have a regional sports channel, Sunshine Sports.

Mr. Moore stated as long as we are getting it.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated we are getting it. We are also getting ESPN and some of the other sports channels.

Mr. Moore stated I just didn't understand why we were getting charged for high definition when we have no high definition TV.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated I asked them if this was the best that they could do. We will see what Spectrum can offer.

Mr. Moore stated it wouldn't hurt, because we are over the \$300 mark.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated I know that we haven't budgeted for that.

Mr. Geno Montagna stated I mentioned something to them about what they could do for us. He wanted to see a bill. I told them that I didn't have a bill in front of me. He was up around \$360. I told them that I would get back to them.

Mr. Brown stated the rest of the world is streaming.

Mr. Moore stated that's the route I went in.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated its difficult to do that.

Mr. Moore stated we can't do it at a business. It would be difficult.

Mr. Geno Montagna stated they also said that we were not residential, we were commercial and it was a different rate. The prime rate is for homes.

Mr. Moore asked what are the qualifications to be commercial as opposed to residential?

Mr. Geno Montagna responded I told them that we were a non-taxed District and they said no.

Mr. Showe stated the difference is that it could be viewed by anyone versus just your personal use at home. Some of our Districts get into this issue with a music license, where they have to pay \$300 a year for the privilege of paying music in the Clubhouse.

Mr. Cole stated I pay Frontier \$99 for two lines and Internet. Have you spoken to the Retention Department?

Mr. Joe Montagna responded yes. That's who we are talking to.

Mr. Cole stated check with Spectrum to see what they can offer, and if it's cheaper and the same services, go with Spectrum. Who knows, in six months, we may go back to Frontier.

Mr. Moore stated we are going back and forth. We are letting them charge what they want to charge, without at least some kind of pushback.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated when I talked to them in October, they said *"We are trying to bundle this to give you the best discount possible."*

Mr. Moore stated I'm looking out for our best interest.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated this is the first bill. The other ones had credits, so it was misleading. I asked what the average amount was and I was told that it was \$290. You can't get around the tax and universal billing charges. There are a lot of other ancillary costs that add another \$30 to the bill. I believe that Spectrum probably had the same thing.

Mr. Brown stated check with Spectrum and see what they offer.

Mr. Joe Montagna stated I have nothing else to report on the O&M.

On MOTION by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Cole, with all in favor, the September through December Operations and Maintenance Check Register, excluding the Vesta expenses were approved.

On MOTION by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Brown, with Ms. Darden, Mr. Brown and Mr. Cole in favor, and Mr. Moore abstaining, the January Vesta expenses were approved. (Motion Passed 3-1)

2. Balance Sheet and Income Statement

Mr. Showe stated no action is required by the Board. Most of those account items are in line and what we expect. We are continuing to watch assessments. We are at 73% collected now, which for the District is normal for this time of year, but as we get more of those tax monies in, we will keep an eye on it. Are there any questions on the financials?

Mr. Cole asked do we typically compare where we were last year at this time, versus this year at this time?

Mr. Showe responded historically, you are about where you are normally at.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Other Business

There not being any, the next item followed.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Supervisor's Request

There not being any, the next item followed.


NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Adjournment

On MOTION by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Cole, with all in favor the meeting was adjourned.



Secretary/Assistant Secretary



Chairman/Vice Chairman