

1 **LELY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**
2 **NAPLES, FLORIDA**
3 Workshop Meeting of the Board of Supervisors
4 June 21, 2023

5 The workshop meeting of the Lely Community Development District Board of
6 Supervisors was held on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. at the LCDD
7 Maintenance Building, Naples, Florida.

8 **SUPERVISORS PRESENT**

9 William Lee, Chair
10 Frank LoMonte, Vice-Chair
11 Gerry Campkin, Treasurer
12 Anne Marie Bularzik, Secretary
13 Kenneth Drum, Supervisor

14 **ALSO PRESENT**

15 Neil Dorrill, Manager, Dorrill Management Group
16 Kevin Carter, Operations Manager
17 Lenore Brakefield, Assistant District Counsel
18 Freddie Bowers, Director of Community Patrol
19 Christopher Dorrill, Field Manager

20 **WORKSHOP - HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS**

21 Mr. Carter addressed the Board and said we've learned a lot over the last few years.
22 One of the most important things they've done is clear the roadways. They have a
23 really good plan with one of the vendors, Wherry Trucking, who has committed to being
24 a first responder if they are needed to clear the roadways again this year.

25 The Hurricane Center is predicting a near normal hurricane season this year. We
26 should see fewer storms than in the last few years. Moving from La Niña weather cycle
27 into El Niño weather cycle which is more favorable to not having hurricanes.

1 Specifically for Lely, there are certain things they do every year. Some of the most
2 important things include tree trimming, which for the most part is completed. Renting a
3 lift next week for some lower hurricane prep trimming. The rental equipment will also be
4 used to put up the Fourth of July banners.

5 In addition, they also go through and check the fuel and diesel stores to make sure
6 those are topped off. Lely has a good relationship with the fuel company and propane
7 gas company. They fill all trucks and patrol vehicles with fuel and keep an inventory of
8 chainsaws. The chainsaws are stored without oil and gas in them, so they are able to
9 sit without anything happening to them. New chainsaws are purchased every year.

10 They make sure all the parts that go along with the chainsaws are stocked up and keep
11 tree staking equipment on hand. They keep flashlights and backup batteries on hand,
12 and still have some of these items from last year. Will go through and test them to
13 make sure they are still good.

14 They work with wherry trucking or a horticultural trash removal service to have the big
15 pile of debris removed from over by the pump station, about half was removed earlier
16 this week and they will continue to remove that.

17 Have been able to source a lot of tarps through emergency services system at the
18 library and keep the basics, gloves, ropes, chains. Have several first aid kits. Plenty of
19 batteries for flashlights etc.

20 In the event of a hurricane warning, they make sure everything is tied down, the
21 community patrol vehicles are fueled up, all first aid supplies are stocked up, and that
22 the 5-gallon containers of gas are ready to go. They also have some power bar type
23 foods on hand so in the event of a power outage they have enough food to get through
24 4-5 days. Would also like to purchase a pallet of water.

25 The final things they do during a hurricane warning are to shut down the pump station,
26 turn off water at the horse monument, take a walk around the building to make sure to
27 bring all loose items inside. Take down and store the American flags. They talk to all
28 staff members, which includes community patrol and landscape staff, to make sure they
29 keep themselves safe and have their homes secure. At that point the staff members
30 come in to help the Community prepare.

31 A lot has been learned from past hurricanes.

1 When in a hurricane warning, they have a guy go out about every three hours to check
2 the weir gate to make sure it is free of debris and algae.

3 Dr. Bularzik asked in the event of a hurricane if someone is positioned here during the
4 whole time of the hurricane. All staff are pretty good about staying, incentivized them in
5 years past and about 95% of staff stayed through past hurricanes. They are paid a few
6 hundred dollars a day to stay.

7 Mr. Carter was asked when clearing the streets are they not clearing the streets in
8 communities that are gated? Mr. Carter answered no, they do not. Their focus is only
9 to clear the main roads. The HOAs should already be aware of this.

10 Mr. Dorrill informed the board that FEMA has taken a liberal approach to the last two
11 hurricanes and picked up horticultural debris from private or gated neighborhoods. For
12 this reason, they require you to keep a right of entry form on file in advance.

13 As an aside, Mr. Dorrill states that Christopher and his staff have looked at the tenure of
14 some Lely's employees. The board will be asked to recognize these employees at the
15 budget meeting next month. Have some plaques that will be passing around and
16 suggest paying a small bonus to these employees as well.

17 Mr. Dorrill asked how reliable is the backup generator? Mr. Carter said it tests itself
18 every week, there is a maintenance plan in place, and they come out twice a year to
19 change the oil.

20 A five-minute break was then taken in the proceedings.