

MEETING OF THE DISTRICTS
Tuesday, May 07, 2024
9:30 AM
600 S. Commerce Ave. Sebring, FL 33870
AGENDA

DISTRICTS LIST

AVON PARK ESTATES S. B. D.	ORANGE VILLA MOBILE HOME ESTATES S. B. D.
HIGHLANDS PARK ESTATES S. B. D.	PLACID LAKES S.B.D.
HIGHWAY PARK S. B. D.	RED HILL FARMS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
LAKE HAVEN ESTATES S. B. D.	SEBRING ACRES S. B. D.
ORANGE BLOSSOM ESTATES S. B. D.	SEBRING COUNTRY ESTATES S. B. D.
ORANGE BLOSSOM UNIT 12 S. B. D.	SEBRING HILLS S. B. D.
COUNTYWIDE FIRE DISTRICT	THUNDERBIRD ROAD WASTEWATER S. B. D.
ISTOKPOGA MARSH WATERSHED IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT	
SUN 'N LAKES OF LAKE PLACID RECREATION DISTRICT	
OAK MANOR AVENUE ROAD PAVING MUNICIPAL SERVICE BENEFIT DISTRICT	

1 MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

2 PRESENTATIONS:

3 PUBLIC COMMENT

4 CONSENT AGENDA

- 4.A *Request approval of the April 2, 2024, Meeting Minutes of the Special Districts.*
[040224SPC.pdf](#)

5 PUBLIC HEARING

- 5.A *Public hearing to consider Resolution No. 23-24-111 pertaining to the re-imposition of Chapter 9, Article VII (7), Placid Lakes Special Benefit District special assessment.*
Rosa Morales, Budget Analyst II / NAV
Tanya Cannady, Business Services Director
The fiscal impact will be an increase to Fund 107 (Placid Lakes Special Benefit District) of approximately \$81,225 annually as the previous assessment collection was \$243,675 and will now be approximately \$324,900 if assessment is set at the requested rate of \$40 for FY 2023-24.
[Placid Lakes Final Assessment Resolution 23-24-111.SGS.pdf](#)
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6 ACTION AGENDA

7 ADJOURN

Any person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board of Supervisors of any of the Special Districts of Highlands County, Florida, in a public hearing or quasi-judicial proceeding is hereby advised that he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record will include the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

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**HIGHLANDS COUNTY
COUNTY COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM**

DATE OF ACTION REQUEST: May 7, 2024.

PRESENTER:

SUBJECT/TITLE: Request approval of the April 2, 2024, Meeting Minutes of the Special Districts.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Move to approve the April 2, 2024, Meeting Minutes of the Special Districts.

Attachments: [040224SPC.pdf](#)

MEETING OF THE SPECIAL DISTRICTS, April 02, 2024

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:47 a.m., in the Highlands County Board of County Commission Chambers at 600 S. Commerce Ave., Sebring, Florida, with the following members present:

Commissioner Kevin J. Roberts
Commissioner Arlene Tuck
Commissioner Chris Campbell

Commissioner Scott A. Kirouac
Commissioner Don Elwell

Also, present: Laurie Hurner, County Administrator; Nick Sawyer, Deputy County Administrator/Chief of Staff; Sherry G. Sutphen, County Attorney; Sally Hood, Accounting and Finance Director; Jill Ann Shields and Savannah Demeri, Deputy Clerks.

2. PRESENTATIONS

No presentations.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Michael Roge, Lake Placid resident, expressed his disagreement with the Placid Lakes Subdivision tax increase and stated he has attempted to get lot lines between his 8 lots removed and turned into one parcel, to reduce the amount of taxes, however, he was denied. He also mentioned various code enforcement violations that occur after business hours and proposed the help from the Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Kirouac verbalized that this would have been proposed under public comment as it regards agenda item 5A and advised Mr. Roge to visit the Property Appraisers Office to get clarification on the conjoining of his lots. Sherry Sutphen, County Attorney, stated that if his lots are platted, he will not be able to get them joined. She also added if his property has conservation traits, he will be able to speak to the Property Appraiser, and or Value Adjustment Board, to possibly alleviate a portion of his taxes.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Elwell moved approval of the consent agenda as presented. Commissioner Campbell seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, all Commissioners voted aye. The motion carried.

- A. Request adoption of Resolution 23-24-88 for Budget Amendment 23-24-075 for road improvements of McDuffy Rd and Andretti Dr in the Sebring Acres Special Benefit District.**
See Res. Book 35 Page 92 & SMB 153 Page 254.

5. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. Public hearing to consider proposed Resolution 23-24-82 pertaining to the re-imposition of Chapter 9, Article VII (7), Placid Lakes Special Benefit District special assessment.**

Tanya Cannady, Business services director, presented the request to increase the Placid Lakes Special Benefit Districts assessment.

Chairman Roberts opened the floor for public comment.

Greg Dunlop, president of Placid Lakes Home and Property Owners Association, stated he agrees with the increase and believes it will help Placid Lakes due to the cost of upkeep among the community.

Commissioner Campbell moved approval of the Public Hearing as presented. Commissioner Tuck seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, all Commissioners voted aye. The motion carried. ***See Res. Book 35 Page 93 and SMB 153 Page 255.***

6. ACTION AGENDA

No action items.

7. ADJOURN

Chairman Roberts moved to adjourn the Meeting of the Special Districts. Commissioner Kirouac seconded the motion.

Chairman Roberts called for those in favor. The ayes have it and the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

**HIGHLANDS COUNTY
COUNTY COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM**

DATE OF ACTION REQUEST: May 7, 2024

PRESENTER: Rosa Morales, Budget Analyst II / NAV
Tanya Cannady, Business Services Director

SUBJECT/TITLE: Public hearing to consider Resolution No. 23-24-111 pertaining to the re-imposition of Chapter 9, Article VII (7), Placid Lakes Special Benefit District special assessment.

STATEMENT OF ISSUE

On March 4, 2024, a special town hall meeting was held for property owners to discuss upcoming budget request. During this meeting, various property owners suggested an increase to the assessment. The current assessment is \$30 per lot or fraction thereof with a max rate of \$50. The assessment rate may be increased in any incremental amount not exceeding \$10.00, each year as needed to help with recreational improvements throughout the district. The property owners would like to increase to \$40 per lot or fraction thereof.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Move to adopt Resolution No. 23-24-111 pertaining to the re-imposition of Chapter 9, Article VII (7), Placid Lakes Special Benefit District special assessment.

FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal impact will be an increase to Fund 107 (Placid Lakes Special Benefit District) of approximately \$81,225 annually as the previous assessment collection was \$243,675 and will now be approximately \$324,900 if assessment is set at the requested rate of \$40 for FY 2023-24.

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RESOLUTION NO. 23-24-111
(Final Annual MSBU Assessment for Fiscal Year 2024-25)

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLACID LAKES SPECIAL BENEFIT DISTRICT (MSBU) PERTAINING TO THE FINAL RE-IMPOSITION AND INCREASE OF THE MSBU ASSESSMENT; PROVIDING FOR LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND INTENT; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FOR FINAL RE-IMPOSITION AND INCREASE OF THE MSBU ASSESSMENT; PROVIDING FOR ASSESSMENT ROLE; PROVIDING FOR APPLICATION OF ASSESSMENT PROCEEDS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Highlands County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 9, Streets, Highways and Public Improvements, Article VII (7) Placid Lakes Special Benefit District (hereafter referred to as the “County Code”), authorized the imposition of an assessment against the benefitted properties for the purpose of carrying out the projects of the MSBU, which include but are not limited to the ownership, construction, operation and maintenance of flood, erosion control, reclamation and irrigation facilities, water and sewer systems, public roads, fire protection, recreation and community center facilities, removal of nuisances, security services, mosquito control, signage, administrative costs to Highlands County and other benefits as determined by the MSBU Board (hereinafter referred to as “MSBU Projects”); and

WHEREAS, the MSBU assessment is imposed each fiscal year in an equitable and efficient method of allocating and apportioning the same, in order to pay for the cost of providing for the ownership, construction, operation and maintenance of MSBU Projects; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on April 2, , 2024, wherein the MSBU Board adopted preliminary assessment Resolution 23-24-82; and

WHEREAS, the MSBU desires to impose a final assessment and provide for increases in its annual assessment for the purpose of funding MSBU Projects; and

WHEREAS, notice of this public hearing has been published to provide all interested persons of the opportunity to be heard and the proof of the publication of said notice is attached hereto as **Exhibit “A”**; and

WHEREAS, by this Final Assessment Resolution, the MSBU hereby re-imposes and provides authorization for incremental increases in the annual assessment which is imposed by the MSBU against the benefitted lots and parcels of real property located in the area of the MSBU for the purpose of completing MSBU Projects.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLACID LAKES SPECIAL BENEFIT DISTRICT IN HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. The MSBU has complied with all requirements and procedures of Florida law in processing this Resolution. The above findings are hereby adopted.

SECTION 2. Authority. This Resolution is adopted pursuant to the provisions of the County Code and other applicable provisions of Florida law.

SECTION 3. Final Re-Imposition and Increase of the MSBU Assessment. The lots and parcels of real property, or portions thereof, located in the area of the MSBU are hereby found to be specially benefited by the provision of ownership, construction, operation and maintenance of flood, erosion control, reclamation and irrigation facilities, water and sewer systems, public roads, fire protection, recreation and community center facilities, removal of nuisances, security services, mosquito control, signage, administrative costs to Highlands County and other benefits as determined by the MSBU Board.

A. The following assessment shall be imposed against the benefitted lots and parcels of real property, or portions thereof, located in the area of the MSBU for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2024, and shall continue each year thereafter until discontinued or changed:

Property Category	Rate Per Parcel
Lot or portion thereof	\$40.00

B. The above stated Assessment rate may be increased in any incremental amount not exceeding \$10.00, each year, so long as the total annual Assessment rate to exceed \$50.00, for each lot or parcel or portion thereof, and provided a public hearing is conducted prior to September 1 of each such year with the adoption of a Resolution reflecting the approved increase. Notice of the public hearing required for any such future increases, as set forth herein, shall be provided by publication only.

C. MSBU Assessments shall constitute a lien upon the benefitted property so assessed and shall be equal in rank and dignity with the liens of all state, county, district or municipal taxes and other non-ad valorem assessments. Except as otherwise provided by law, such lien shall be superior in dignity to all other liens, titles, and claims, until paid. The lien for a MSBU Assessment shall be deemed perfected upon the MSBU's adoption of this Assessment Resolution. Upon perfection, the lien for a MSBU Assessment collected under the Uniform Assessment Collection Act shall attach to the property included on the Assessment Roll as of the prior January 1, the lien date for ad valorem taxes imposed under the tax roll.

SECTION 4. Assessment Roll. The County Administrator is hereby directed to prepare, or cause to be prepared, a final Assessment Roll for the Fiscal Year commencing October 1, 2024. The final Assessment Roll shall include all benefitted lots and parcels of real property, or portions thereof, located in the area of the MSBU.

SECTION 5. Application of Assessment Proceeds. Proceeds derived by the MSBU from this assessment will be utilized for the ownership, construction, operation and maintenance of flood, erosion control, reclamation and irrigation facilities, water and sewer systems, public roads, fire protection, recreation and community center facilities, removal of nuisances, security services, mosquito control, signage, administrative costs to Highlands County and other benefits as determined by the MSBU Board. In the event there is any fund balance remaining at the end of the Fiscal Year,

such balance shall be carried forward and used only to fund ownership, construction, operation and maintenance of flood, erosion control, reclamation and irrigation facilities, water and sewer systems, public roads, fire protection, recreation and community center facilities, removal of nuisances, security services, mosquito control, signage, administrative costs to Highlands County and other benefits as determined by the MSBU Board.

SECTION 6. Savings Clause. All prior actions of the MSBU pertaining to the final assessment which is the subject of this Resolution, as well as any and all matters relating thereto, are hereby ratified and affirmed consistent with the provisions of this Resolution.

SECTION 7. Scrivener's Errors. Typographical errors and other matters of a similar nature that do not affect the intent of this Resolution, as determined by the Highlands County Administrator and County Attorney, may be corrected.

SECTION 8. Conflicts. All Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict with any of the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed.

SECTION 9. Severability. If any Section or portion of a Section of this Resolution proves to be invalid, unlawful, or unconstitutional, it shall not be held to invalidate or impair the validity, force, or effect of any other Section or part of this Resolution.

SECTION 10. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 7th day of May, 2024.

**PLACID LAKES SPECIAL BENEFIT
DISTRICT**

KEVIN J ROBERTS, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

Jerome Kaszubowski, Clerk of Court

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

HIGHLANDS NEWS-SUN

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SEBRING, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLOPRIDA

**Case No. NOTICE OF HEARING TO RE-IMPOSE
AND PROVIDE FOR AN INCREASE OF THE ASSESSMENT
OF THE PLACID LAKES SPECIAL BENEFIT DISTRICT**

**STATE OF FLORIDA,
COUNTY OF HIGHLANDS**

Before the undersigned authority, Janet Emerson, personally appeared who on oath says that she is the Classified Advertising Legal Clerk of Highlands News-Sun, a newspaper published at Sebring in Highlands County, Florida; that the attached copy or reprint of the advertisement, to the right, being a Public Notice, was published in said newspaper by print in the issues of or by publication on the newspaper's website, if authorized, on:

APRIL 14, 2024

Affiant further says that the Highlands News-Sun newspaper complies with all legal requirements for publication in chapter 50, Florida Statutes.

SIGNED:



Janet Emerson

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of April, 2024

by Janet Emerson, who is personally known to me.



Nancy Y. Whirley, Customer Service Supervisor, Notary Number: HH 293555

Notary expires: July 26, 2026



NANCY Y. WHIRLEY
Notary Public
State of Florida
Comm# HH293555
Expires 7/26/2026



MARC VALERO/STAFF
Alan Jay Choice Award winner Jocelyn Flores of Lake Placid Elementary shows off her artwork on a license plate to Alan Jay Wildstein.

PLATE

FROM PAGE 1A

and thanked the parents for coming out.

The program wouldn't be possible without the teachers, he added.

Superintendent Brenda Longshore thanked Wildstein and said the program is a beautiful example of the community working together.

Champion for Children CEO Liz Prendergast also thanked the teachers for supporting the program.

The tags offer a colorful mix of familiar Florida images such as sun, palm trees, alligators, citrus,

birds and other wildlife, fishing, "Florida" spelled out and some include an outline map of the state.

The top 42 also included one that would be classified as a specialty plate stating, "Fight for Farmers" with an image of a pig with eyeglasses.

Zwayer said all of those present are winners, but there are four tags that are chosen for the Choice Awards Presentation.

Those tags are installed on one of the sponsor's vehicles for one year.

The Choice Award Winners were:

- Champion for Children Choice Award, presented by Liz Prendergast — Daxtyn

Hines of Cracker Trail Elementary.

- Alan Jay choice Award, presented by Alan Jay Wildstein — Jocelyn Flores of Lake Placid Elementary.

- Tax Collector's Choice Award, presented by Eric T. Zwayer — Avery Arnesen of Lake Country Elementary.

- Superintendent's Choice Award, presented by Brenda Longshore — Sofia Perez of Avon Elementary.

Zwayer noted the reception in previous years was held at the Circle Theatre, but it is undergoing some changes in connection with the HGTV program.

CRUZ

FROM PAGE 1A

and analysts from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement took the stand. They each gave testimony on ballistics matching the projectiles and casings to the murder weapon. Distance, trigger pressure and how casings would have been discharged from the handgun were all admitted.

Hrdlicka and his client readily said Cruz shot and killed Cowger. However, they felt the shooting was justified because the defendant feared for his life. Cruz took the stand in his own defense and testified he believed Cowger was reaching into his car for a gun. No gun was found.

Cruz had a legally concealed handgun in his pocket and shot Cowger three times and missed him with a fourth shot.

Cowger was hit in the center of his chest, and in the upper left and right chest.

Medical Examiner Dr. Stephen Nelson performed Cowger's autopsy and testified to the victim's fatal wounds on Thursday. The damage inflicted by the bullets resulted in damage to the heart, liver and collapsed both Cowger's lungs. He had both internal and external bleeding. Cowger's toxicology report showed methamphetamine, amphetamine and fentanyl.

As further evidence, an admittedly poor-quality audio from a Ring-type surveillance system was entered by the State. In it, the jury had to decipher for themselves what was being said. The gunshots were clearly heard.

On the morning of Aug. 8, Cruz was visiting the home of his sister Hazel. The two were sitting outside and Cowger drove up. Cowger got out of

the car and was acting "aggressive," per Hazel. When words were exchanged between the diminutive Cruz and Cowger, who stood over 6 feet and weighed over 200 pounds, Hazel went in her home to get her phone in case things went south. She testified she heard the gunshots and ran out of the house, thinking her brother was dead. Instead, her brother was "just shaken up a bit," she said on the stand.

After being shot, Cowger ran across the street and died in between houses. Witnesses rendered aid as did law enforcement, to no avail. She returned inside to get a towel to staunch Cowger's blood. Castillo pointed out Cruz did not render aid but left in his car to his father's house, where he was arrested a short time later.

No sentencing date was scheduled as of close of business on Friday.

TRUMP

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column in 2016 but lost it four years after to Biden, who was born in the northeast city of Scranton and has long talked about his roots in the city. Biden plans to deliver a major address Tuesday in Scranton on tax fairness.

Trump is navigating four separate criminal prosecutions while running to avenge his loss to Biden, creating an unprecedented swirl of legal and political chaos.

Jury selection starts Monday in New York in his trial where he is charged with seeking during his 2016 campaign to bury stories about extramarital affairs by arranging hush money payments.

It will be the first criminal trial ever of a former U.S. president. And it will limit Trump's availability on the campaign trail, though he is expected to speak to the media after court often and has for months fundraised and campaigned on the felony charges he faces, arguing political opponents are

pursuing them to stop him from winning the White House again.

Biden has argued Trump's lies about losing the 2020 election are dangerous for the country. He has said Trump poses a fundamental threat to democracy and U.S. alliances abroad — rhetoric that Trump has argued applies to Biden.

In recent weeks, both candidates have tried to stir up their voting bases and tear apart their opponent's coalitions, a strategy that will be tested over the coming months.

Trump recently said that any Democratic-leaning voters who support Israel should back him instead, as Biden has criticized Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's actions in his war against Hamas. The Republican said Wednesday that "any Jewish person who votes for a Democrat or votes for Biden should have their head examined."

He also has new ammunition to criticize Biden's handling of the economy, as the government said Wednesday that inflation jumped 0.4% in March to 3.5% annually.

But Biden has also put Trump on the defensive over the issue of abortion, a key weakness for the GOP as many voters have opposed new restrictions that some states have placed on the procedure after justices that Trump appointed to the Supreme Court helped overturn Roe v Wade in 2022.

Trump tried to defuse the controversy and appease women voters by saying the matter should be settled by the states, instead of the federal government.

But that argument became problematic this past week as Arizona's top court ruled that the state could enforce an 1864 law criminalizing abortion, prompting Trump on Wednesday to suggest the 19th century law was too restrictive for his taste.

Trump has instead tried to make immigration the central issue of the campaign. The Republican has sought to portray Biden as feckless on border security, given the record-high numbers of individuals who have crossed the southern border illegally during his administration.

NOTICE OF HEARING TO RE-IMPOSE AND PROVIDE FOR AN INCREASE OF THE ASSESSMENT OF THE PLACID LAKES SPECIAL BENEFIT DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that the Highlands County Board of County Commissioners sitting in its capacity as the Board of Supervisors of the **PLACID LAKES SPECIAL BENEFIT DISTRICT** will conduct a public hearing on **May 7, 2024**, to consider the re-imposition and increase of the Placid Lakes Special Benefit District Assessment imposed for the purpose of ownership, construction, operation and maintenance of flood, erosion control, reclamation and irrigation facilities, water and sewer systems, public roads, fire protection, recreation and community center facilities, removal of nuisances, security services, mosquito control, signage, administrative costs to Highlands County and other benefits as determined by the MSBU Board, against the benefitted lots and parcels of real property, or portions thereof, located within the area of the **PLACID LAKES SPECIAL BENEFIT DISTRICT** for the **Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2024**.

The public hearing will be held at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, on May 7, 2024, in the Board Chambers at the Highlands County Administration Building, 600 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida, 33870, for the purpose of receiving public comment on the proposed assessments. This public hearing may be continued to a future date or dates. The times, places, and dates of any continuances of a public hearing shall be announced during the public hearing without any further published notice.

All affected property owners have a right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections with Highlands County within 20 days of this notice. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board of Supervisors with respect to any matter considered at the hearing, such person will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Human Resources, ADA Coordinator no later than seven (7) days prior to the proceedings: Telephone (Voice) (863) 402-6509 or by Florida Relay Service 711 or by E-mail to: HRManager@Highlandsfl.gov.

The following assessment shall be imposed against the benefitted lands or property located in the area of the **PLACID LAKES SPECIAL BENEFIT DISTRICT** for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2024, and shall continue each year thereafter until discontinued or changed:

Property Category	Rate Per Parcel
Lot or parcel, or portion thereof	\$40.00

The above stated Assessment rate may be increased in any incremental amount not exceeding \$10.00, each year, so long as the total annual Assessment rate does not exceed \$50.00, for each lot or parcel, or portion thereof, and provided a public hearing is conducted prior to September 1 of each such year with the adoption of a Resolution reflecting the approved increase.

Copies of the Final Annual Assessment Resolution for Placid Lakes Special Benefit District, which is the subject of this hearing, and the assessment roll, and other documentation related to the proposed re-imposition and increase of the annual assessment for the Placid Lakes Special Benefit District are available for inspection in the County Administrator's office located in the County Administration Building, 600 S. Commerce Avenue, Sebring, Florida 33870, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The assessments will be collected on the ad valorem tax bill to be mailed in November 2024, as authorized by Florida Statutes, Section 197.3632. Failure to pay the assessment will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the property which may result in a loss of title.

If you have any questions, please contact the County at (863) 402-6500 between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.