CEDAR KEY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT
P.O. BOX 309/510 THIRD STREET
CEDAR KEY, FL 32625

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Board of Commissioners
August 10, 2026

Board Members Present: Leslie Sturmer, Joe Hand, Michael Borelli, Sue Colson, Johnathan Ferguson.

Other Presents: Evan Rosenthal, John Rittenhouse, Alicia Johns, Gabe Doty, Doris Hellerman, Stephen Rosenthal, Mandy Offerle, Frank Offerle, Greg Lang, Tim Norman, Mike Tribble, David Keough, Tyler Lee, Feddie Donovan.

1. Meeting called to order at 5:01 p.m. by Michael Borelli, Chair.

2. Pledge and Moment of Silence.

3. Public Comment. No Public Comment at this time.

4. Adoption of Agenda. **Motion** by Leslie Sturmer to accept tonight's agenda. **Second** by Joe Hand. Passed by vote 5-0.

5. Consent Agenda for: Minutes of the July 13th and 27nd Board Meetings; Checkbook Activity; Employee Leave. **Motion** by Sue Colson to accept the consent agenda. **Second** by Joe Hand. Passed by vote 5-0.

6. CDBG-DR Grant Oral Presentations. Two engineering firms; CPH (formally Mittauer & Associates) and DHG (formally Baskerville Donovan); submitted proposals for the CDBG-DR Grants and both were selected to present Oral Presentations. CPH presented first and DHG presented second. Both engineering groups have a positive record with CKWSD. The Board listend to both presentations and asked each of the presenters questions to help them make the best decision possible in selecting an Engineer for the CDBG-DR projects. The scores for each presenter are CPH 485 and DHG 418. Motion by Johnathan Ferguson to Approve the Award of Contract to CPH Engineers and to allow Evan and Mr. John to initiate the Contract between the CKWSD and CPH Engineers. **Second** by Sue Colson. Passed by vote 5-0.

7. General Manager's Report. Mr. John advised that Evan was working on the Contract between the District and Fred Fox to be reviewed to proceed with negotiations. Mr. John and the Board discussed the leak in the #1 Lift Station to be repaired. Mr. John and the Board discussed the letter that was sent to the Auditor General about the District's Audit James Moore & Company has yet to complete. Mr. Johnathan ask that Mr. John and Evan work together on what the District's next steps should be and possibly sending James Moore & Company a letter in regards to the Audit being late and they are in breach of the Audit Agreement. The Board and Mr. John discussed the Preliminary FY26-27 Budget with the Water Rates proposed at 8% increase and Sewer Rates at 10% increase at the recommendation of the FRWA Asset Management Study. Under Ad Valorem Taxes, the Board was given three different option to choose from. Mr. John recommended that the Board decide which option they would like by the August 27th Board Meeting to be finalized at the September Board Meetings. Salaries are set at 5% with an extra $1.00 bump for Alicia, Nick, and Gabe, with Billy and Mr. John only at 5%. Mr. John and the Board discussed all proposed options presented in the Preliminary FY26-27 Proposed Budget. Mr. Johnathan discussed with the Board the possibility of purchasing a home to provide housing for any future GM to use while working for the District and it can also be used as temporary office space in case another hurricane displaces the office staff. The Board decided to discuss the purchase of a home at the next Board Meeting. Mr. John let the Board know that the Ethics Training will be online and needs to be completed by December 31, 2026.

The Board discussed the District's Charter Amendment and what items in the Charter will be changed and how it will affect the citizens in the Sumner/Rosewood area if approved.

8. Waccasassa Water and Wastewater Cooperative Report. Mrs. Sue let the Board know that Bronson will meet with W3C in Otter Creek on Tuesday, August 18th at 10:00 am to discuss some of the issues between the two parties. The W3C will meet at 1:00 pm the same day at the CKWSD Office for its regular meeting.

9. Financial Reports: Balance Sheet; Budget Report; Past Due Accounts Report. Mr. John and the Board discussed the Financial Reports. **Motion** by Leslie Sturmer to accept the Financial Reports as presented. **Second** by Sue Colson. Passed by vote 5-0.

10. Bill Adjustment Requests. **Motion** by Johnathan Ferguson to approve the Bill Adjustment for Billy Quinn. **Second** by Leslie Sturmer. Passed by vote 5-0.

11. Commissioner Comments. No Commissioner Comments.

12. Public Comment. Stephen Rosenthal discussed his understanding of the TRIM notice with the Board.

13. Adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm.

Michael Borelli, Chairperson

Leslie Sturmer, Commissioner & Secretary of the Board