Mastodon Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes Thursday November 6, 2025

A Public Hearing for the Lake Mary Special Assessment District held by the Mastodon Township Board was called to order at 5:31pm by Supervisor Chad Skinner.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

PRESENT BY ROLL CALL: Mike Bjork, Karen Mallon, Chad Skinner, Dave Smith. Absent: Stacey Watters.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Skinner requested that a second Public Comment item be added to the agenda. Motion by Bjork to approve agenda as presented. Support: Watters. Call to vote: All ayes; no nays. Motion carried.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING TO PUBLIC COMMENT: Skinner annoucned that the public hearing was open to allow property owners to voice their objections to the Special Assessment. No public comments were made.

REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF ASSESSMENT ROLL AND ANNUAL COST: Assessment roll and annual cost was presented to the Board. The Lake Mary Special Assessment for Weed Eradication will be \$180.00 annually for a three-year term beginning 2026 and ending 2028. Assessments will be collected beginning with the Winter 2025 tax season. There are 81 parcels to be assessed. The Assessment Roll has been certified by both the Supervisor and Assessor.

FURTHER BOARD DISCUSSION: Members of the Board discussed the costs associated with the Lake Mary Special Assessment. Mallon advised the Board that in contacting other government units that administer special assessments, most use a flat fee for the administrative costs which include wages and materials which would be \$1,500.00 for the first year and \$500.00 for both the second and third years. Smith inquired why the subsequent years would only be \$500.00. Mallon stated the lower cost is tied to work that would be done, and most work on the SAD was done during the first year. She further advised that the costs will be adjusted to true and real costs as necessary.

Mallon advised that the one cost that is a true unknown variable is the cost for weed management by Cason.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 2025-1106-001: Motion by Mallon to adopt the Lake Mary Aquatic Weeds – Special Assessment District Resolution 2025-1106-001. Support: Skinner. Roll Call: Mallon – yes; Skinner – yes; Watters – yes; Smith – No; Bjork – yes. Motion carried. Resolution 2025-1106-001 adopted.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Joanne Burns of Lake Mary Association advised the Board that if there is a increase fee from Cason, the Lake Association would pay the difference.

Public discussion was made regarding the Mastodon Township Zoning Ordinance and short term rentals. Bjork advised that the Planning Commission is currently working on amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and is looking at Short Term Rentals.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Bjork to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 pm. Support: Watters. Call to vote. All ayes; no nays. Motion carried.

I hereby certify that the minutes contained herein are the draft minutes of the November 6, 2025, Lake Mary Special Assessment Public Hearing. Signed herein by the Mastodon Township Clerk, Karen Mallon on this the 12 th day of November, 2025

Karen Mallon, Clerk