

**FLORIDA COMMUNITIES TRUST GOVERNING BOARD
QUARTERLY MEETING SUMMARY
AUGUST 14, 2024**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mara Gambineri, (Chair) Deputy Secretary for Land and Recreation, Deborah Denys, Former elected official of a county government, Noah Valenstein, Representative of a nonprofit organization, Frank Mingo, Former elected official of a metropolitan municipal government, Vacant, Representative of the development industry.

STAFF PRESENT

Linda Reeves (Program Manager); Shauna Allen (OMC Manager); Patricia Henry (Senior Attorney); Melanie Orozco (Planner, Region 1); William McMahon (Planner, Region 3); Callie DeHaven (Director of State Lands); Andy Fleener (Deputy Director of State Lands); Jeremy Pe (Division of State Lands); Reilly Allman (Division of State Lands); Creshonda Wilson (Division of State Lands); La'Datrea Manatee (Division of State Lands).

OTHERS PRESENT

NONE

VIRTUAL VIA GoToWEBINAR

Kelli McGee, Megan Wepfer, Carolin Ciarlariello, Terry Bentley, Vanessa Bauzo, Haley Cox, Sue Colson, Samantha Gibbs, Tanya Williams, Lakesha Morris-Moreau, Shelley Tarbox, Carolyn Cassidy, Mara Johnson, Rafael Casals, Jared Lee, Debra Woithe, Carla Burrmann, Brian Burket, Ken Grudens, Reuben Franklin, Juan C. Ruiz, Lauren Chappell, Sheila Theus, Dave Fuss, Nathan Otter, Brooke Coulter, Lynne Ladner, Jamie Baccari

**Item 1: Opening
 Roll Call/Establish Quorum
 Call to Order**

Chair Gambineri called the August 14, 2024, meeting of the Florida Communities Trust Governing Board to order at 9:00 a.m.

Linda Reeves was introduced as the moderator for FCT Governing Board meeting. Shauna Allen was introduced as the facilitator for the meeting. The quorum was established with four members present.

Item 2: Announcements

No announcements from the Board members.

Shauna Allen provided a few housekeeping rules for the meeting including Public Comment Instructions.

Staff presented the new logo for Florida Communities Trust in celebration of the 30th anniversary of Florida Communities Trust.

The Land and Recreation Grants section's 'Save the Date' is available for all upcoming grant application cycles. The Parks and Open Space application cycle will run from November 1, 2024, through January 15, 2025.

Item 3: Consider the February 13, 2024, Meeting Summaries.

Staff recommended approval of the meeting summaries.

No comments or questions from the Board.

No comments or questions from the Public.

The item was approved by general consent with no objections.

- APPROVE**
- APPROVE WITH MODIFICATIONS:**
- WITHDRAW**
- NOT APPROVE**
- OTHER:**

Item 4: Consider the Upcoming Calendar Year 2025 Board Meeting Dates

Chair Gambineri announced the proposed Calendar Year 2025 meeting dates.

Calendar Year 2025 Meeting Dates:

- **February 12, 2025**
- **May 14, 2025**
- **August 13, 2025**
- **December 10, 2025**

Staff recommended approval of the of the upcoming Calendar Year 2025 Board meeting dates.

No comments or questions from the Board.

No comments or questions from the Public.

The item was approved by general consent with no objections.

APPROVE

APPROVE WITH MODIFICATIONS:

WITHDRAW

NOT APPROVE

OTHER:

Item 5: Staff Reports

A. FCT # 20-004-FF21 Gladys E. Douglas Preserve
The acquisition has closed.

B. FCT # 20-001-FF21 Jumping Gully Preserve Phase II
The acquisition has closed.

C. FCT # 18-014-FF19 Quay Bayside Acquisition
The acquisition grant agreement was terminated.

D. Region I Workshop, Northwest Florida
The Northwest Florida regional workshop occurred on Wednesday, June 26, 2024, to assist grant recipients with stewardship reporting and general compliance.

The item was provided for information only.

Item 6: Final Approval of the FCT Parks and Open Space 2024 Priority Ranking List

Staff discussed site visit findings on the priority list approved at the February 13, 2024, board meeting. Staff recommended changes to the scores for Projects #23-008-FF24 and #23-011-FF24 and final approval of the FCT Parks and Open Space 2024 Priority Ranking List.

Comments or questions from the Board.

Deborah Denys asked what challenges staff faced with not meeting 100% compliance.

No comments or questions from the Public.

Motion by: Noah Valenstein

Second by: Deborah Denys

The motion passed unanimously.

- APPROVE**
- APPROVE WITH MODIFICATIONS:**
- WITHDRAW**
- NOT APPROVE**
- OTHER:**

Item 7: Closing Comments

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Gambineri adjourned the meeting by unanimous consent with no objections at 9:26 a.m.