

CANDIDATES

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

The biographical information below has been provided by the candidates and none of the candidates' statements have been endorsed or approved by the District or the Board of Supervisors.

Name: Bob Berman – Eastside Resident

Comments: Resident since 1980 and involved with every issue affecting SIRWCD: 1) Formed the PBCE Landowners Association and served on multiple boards; 2) Built entry signs to PBCE; 3) Facilitated paving of all County owned roads in Jupiter Farms and PB Country Estates; 4) Brought potable water to PBCE; 5) Donated land for the community park; 6) volunteered 10,000+ hours to the COP program; 7) Developed Egret Landing; 8) Served 1999-2010 on SIRWCD board; 9) Berman Realty sold 3,000+ Jupiter Farms lots and 1,400+ PBCE Lots.

Current board is out of control. A 90% vote for capital improvements is ludicrous and violates SIRWCD legislation. Let's return to democracy, bring SIRWCD into the 21st century and pave all the remaining roadways. For the stupid perpetual cost of maintaining dirt roads they could be gold plated. Dirt roads are unhealthy, unsafe, ugly and reduce property values. Jupiter Farms should be allowed to vote on city water to get fire hydrants and stop drinking water below septic tanks. Please vote for me to bring balance, common sense and good judgment back to SIRWCD and "Do things that improve the quality of life and increase property values".

Name: Stephen Hinkle – Westside Resident

Comments: I have been a resident of SIRWCD since 1994, a Supervisor for the past six years, and the President of the Board for the past three years. During my time on the Board we have been able to develop several cost saving measures. One of the first was the addition of canal crossings on our interior and perimeter canals that have reduced machine and operator hours. We have added and modified equipment to maintain our main canals and outfalls that were once done by hand. We changed the mindset of the District maintenance program by fixing or solving a problem now, instead of a quick patch in order to deal with it at a later time. One of the most important has been the development of the driveway culvert replacement program that has improved our secondary drainage system. During this time we have also listened to the landowners and changed the policy for Capital Improvements on Roads to give the majority of the landowners the power to make their own decision on the type of road they desire adjacent their property. I pride myself that I have been a Supervisor for the entire District and not just an East or West Supervisor. I'm asking for your support for another three years as a Supervisor so we can continue the focusing on water control in SIRWCD.

Name: John Meyer – Westside Resident

Comments: I am a 24-year resident of Jupiter Farms with 38 years of public service experience, including 22 years with the SFWMD and 18 years supervising and managing staff in the review and approval of road, drainage and environmental projects throughout South Florida. I am honored to have been elected and to have served on the Board of Supervisors for the last three years. During these years, your Board has made very difficult decisions to eliminate practices of the past that have benefitted special interests, at the expense of the District's core mission, which is to provide water control and management. If elected, my pledge is to continue the progress this Board has made to represent the interests of all landowners with respect, fairness and transparency, seeking to retain a high-quality rural lifestyle by valuing our natural areas, making sure we have a seat at the table on decisions made that affect our communities, keeping tax assessments in check, and, most importantly, providing the highest level of flood protection possible.