

# Indian River County Florida

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## **Solid Waste Disposal District Meeting Minutes - Draft**

**Tuesday, July 13, 2021**

**Commission Chambers**

### **Board of Commissioners**

*Chairman, Joseph E. Flescher, District 2  
Vice Chairman, Peter D. O'Bryan, District 4  
Commissioner Susan Adams, District 1  
Commissioner Joseph H. Earman, District 3  
Commissioner Laura Moss, District 5*

**Jason E. Brown, County Administrator  
Dylan Reingold, County Attorney  
Jeffrey R. Smith, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller  
Rhonda D. Zirkle, Deputy Clerk**

**B. Solid Waste Disposal District**

The Board of County Commissioners reconvened as the Board of Commissioners of the Solid Waste Disposal District. The minutes will be approved at an upcoming Solid Waste Disposal District meeting.

**15.B.1. 21-0687** Approval of Leachate Treatment Agreement with Indian River Sustainability Center

**Recommended Action:** Solid Waste Disposal District (SWDD) staff recommends that its Board: a) Approve the Wastewater Treatment Services Agreement between Indian River County SWDD and Indian River Sustainability Center, LLC; b) Authorize the Chairman to sign upon approval of legal sufficiency by the County Attorney and receipt of insurance; and, c) Authorize the Budget Director to bring a budget amendment to the Board for approval at a future meeting to cover the funds for this project.

**Attachments:** [Staff Report](#)  
[Wastewater Treatment Services Agreement](#)

Managing Director Himanshu Mehta referred to staff's memorandum dated July 1, 2021, while announcing that a successful leachate treatment agreement had been negotiated with the Indian River Eco District, LLC, dba Indian River Sustainability Center, LLC, Heartland Waste Technology, Inc., and Proximo Energy. He requested that the Board approve the proposed Wastewater Treatment Agreement.

Vice Chairman O'Bryan inquired and received confirmation from County Administrator Jason Brown and County Attorney Dylan Reingold that they were satisfied with the terms and conditions of the contract. Director Mehta provided clarification to the Vice Chairman that the landfill gas would be used for the leachate treatment project until the renewable natural gas facility was up and running. He made mention that the long-term goal would be to use the landfill gas for both projects.

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman O'Bryan, seconded by Chairman Flescher, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Chairman Flescher, Vice Chairman O'Bryan, Commissioner Adams, Commissioner Earman, and Commissioner Moss

**15.B.2. 21-0688** Work Order No. 13 to Geosyntec for Title V Air Operations Permit Renewal

**Recommended Action:** Solid Waste Disposal District (SWDD) staff recommends that its Board approve the following: a) Approve Work Order No. 13 with Geosyntec for \$71,198 to provide engineering services for preparation and submittal to the

Florida Department of Environmental Protection an application for renewal of the Title V air operation permit; and, b) Authorize the Chairman to execute the same, as presented.

**Attachments:** [Staff Report](#)

[Work Order No 13 - Geosyntec](#)

There was no discussion regarding this item.

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman O'Bryan, seconded by Commissioner Adams, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Chairman Flescher, Vice Chairman O'Bryan, Commissioner Adams, Commissioner Earman, and Commissioner Moss

**15.B.3. 21-0689** Beach Basket Pilot Campaign - One-Year Update

**Recommended Action:** For informational purposes only - no action required

**Attachments:** [Staff Report](#)

Recycling Education and Marketing Coordinator Sue Flak utilized a PowerPoint presentation to introduce the one (1) year update of the Beach Basket Pilot Campaign (the Campaign), which began with beach clean-up basket stations placed at three (3) County beaches in February 2020. She informed the Board that the Campaign had generated a great amount of media coverage, and that basket stations would be installed at five (5) additional County beaches in July 2021.

Kendra Cope, representing Coastal Connections, Inc., a collaborative partner with a like-minded vision, pointed out her organization's responsibility for tracking, monitoring, cleaning and sanitizing the baskets. She added that beach basket stations were placed at five (5) City access points in July 2020, and that all baskets had been marked for the purpose of tracking them between where they were originally placed and where they ended up. Ms. Cope went over the rate of loss, noting that the cost per basket was \$8.98. She stated that other counties, municipalities and groups had voiced interest in applying the beach basket concept to their local area.

**No Action Taken or Required**