



Indian River County Florida

Meeting Minutes

Board of County Commissioners

Indian River County
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Bob Solari, Chairman, District 5
Susan Adams, Vice Chairman, District 1
Joseph E. Flescher, District 2
Peter D. O'Bryan, District 4
Tim Zorc, District 3

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

Tuesday, June 4, 2019

9:00 AM

Commission Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Chairman Bob Solari
Vice Chairman Susan Adams
Commissioner Joseph Flescher
Commissioner Peter O'Bryan
Commissioner Tim Zorc

2.A. A MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR FIRST RESPONDERS

2.B. INVOCATION

Pastor Alex Pappas, Oceans Unite Christian Centre

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dylan Reingold, County Attorney

4. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA / EMERGENCY ITEMS

A motion was made by Commissioner Flescher, seconded by Commissioner Zorc, to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

5. PROCLAMATIONS and PRESENTATIONS

5.A.

Chairman Solari read and presented the Proclamation to Sasan Rohani, who was joined by staff members, friends, and family. Commissioners and staff expressed their sincere thanks for Mr. Rohani's years of dedicated work on behalf of the County and its

citizens.

Read and Presented

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

7. INFORMATION ITEMS FROM STAFF OR COMMISSIONERS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

- 7.A.** Letter to Governor DeSantis re: Veto of HB 771
No Action Taken or Required
- 7.B.** Letter to St. Johns River Water Management District re: Support for Fellsmere Water Management Area Boat Ramp
No Action Taken or Required
- 7.C.** Proclamation Honoring Steven Schraw on His Retirement From Indian River County Board of County Commissioners Department of Emergency Services/Fire Rescue with Thirty Years of Service
Chairman Solari thanked Steven Schraw for his thirty years of service with Indian River County Fire Rescue.
No Action Taken or Required
- 7.D.** Proclamation Honoring David H. Bishop on His Retirement From Indian River County Board of County Commissioners Department of Emergency Services/Fire Rescue with Thirty Years of Service
Chairman Solari thanked David H. Bishop for his thirty years of service with Indian River County Fire Rescue.
No Action Taken or Required
- 7.E.** Update on All Aboard FL Expenses
No Action Taken or Required
- 7.F.** Proclamation Recognizing the Month of May as Drug Court Month.
No Action Taken or Required

8. CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Flescher, seconded by Commissioner Zorc, to approve the Consent Agenda as amended, pulling Item 8.E. for discussion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

8.A. Checks and Electronic Payments May 10, 2019 to May 16, 2019

Approved

8.B. Checks and Electronic Payments May 17, 2019 to May 23, 2019

Approved

8.C. Quarterly Investment Report for the Quarter Ending 03/31/19

Accepted

8.D. Quarterly OPEB Trust Report for the Quarter Ending 03/31/19

Accepted

8.E. Quarterly Tourist Development Tax Report for the Quarter Ending 03/31/19

Commissioner O'Bryan observed that although there was a decrease in tourist development tax, there seemed to be a lot of tourism during the active season.

Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller Jeffrey Smith explained that much of the decrease pertained to non-compliance (non-payment of tourist tax), and staff is working on this situation.

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Bryan, seconded by Commissioner Flescher, to accept the Quarterly Tourist Development Tax Report for the quarter ending 03/31/2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

8.F. Diventure LLC's Request for Final Plat Approval for Bent Pine Preserve Phase I [SD-15-01-01 / 96010108-79637]

Approved staff's recommendation

8.G. Work Order No. 11 - Morgan & Eklund, Inc. 2019 Beach Profile Monitoring Surveys (Summer)

Approved staff's recommendation

8.H. Release of Retainage - Work Order No. 6 Morgan & Eklund, Inc. Sector 5 Beach and Dune Restoration Project Erosion Control Line Survey

Approved staff's recommendation

8.I. FDOT Amendment Number One to County Incentive Grant Program (CIGP) Agreement FM No. 431759-2-54-01 and Resolution Authorizing the Chairman's Signature for the Construction of Intersection Improvements at SR-60 and 43rd

Avenue, IRC-0853

Approved staff's recommendation and Resolution 2019-038, with the Florida Department of Transportation, authorizing the Chairman's execution of Amendment One to County Incentive Grant Program Agreement FM Number 431759-2-54-01 for construction and construction engineering inspection services for intersection improvements at State Road 60 and 43rd Avenue.

8.J. Work Order No. 2018029-4 APTIM: Sector 5 Beach Restoration Project - Construction Administration

Approved staff's recommendation

8.K. Work Order No. 7, REI Engineers, Inc. - Design for Roof Replacements at the Indian River County Central Wastewater Plant, IRC-1829

Approved staff's recommendation

8.L. Award of Bid 2019047 - Annual Bid for Lift Station Rehabilitation

Approved staff's recommendation

8.M. Reclaimed Waterline Corrosion Evaluation - Bowman Work Order No. 2

Approved staff's recommendation

8.N. Award of Bid 2019048 - Annual Bid for Utility Operations Warehouse Stock

Approved staff's recommendation

8.O. Miscellaneous Budget Amendment 011

Approved Resolution 2019-039, amending the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget.

9. CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS and GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES

9.A.1. Indian River County Sheriff Deryl Loar: Request that \$72,725 from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund be used to Purchase Equipment and Support Programs and Agencies as Authorized in Florida Statute 932.7055

Sheriff Deryl Loar pointed out that the proceeds from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund cannot be used for employee salaries or benefits.

A motion was made by Commissioner Flescher, seconded by Commissioner O'Bryan, to authorize the Sheriff's Department to expend \$72,725 from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund for equipment and support of programs and agencies as specified in the Sheriff's memorandum. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

10. PUBLIC ITEMS

A. PUBLIC HEARINGS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK TO THE BOARD

10.A.1.

Public Hearing Continued From April 16, 2019 BCC Meeting: Consideration of the Disposition of County Owned Surplus Properties for Affordable Housing (Administrative)

PROOF OF PUBLICATION FOR THIS HEARING IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK TO THE BOARD

Community Development Director Stan Boling announced that this public hearing regarding County-owned surplus properties is being continued from the April 16, 2019 Board Meeting. In his PowerPoint Presentation, he provided background and detailed the eight (8) County-owned properties that might be appropriate for affordable housing. Director Boling advised that pursuant to the Board's direction, staff had reached out to the non-profit organizations to ascertain their interest in any of the surplus lots. He continued that Every Dream Has A Price (EDHAP) had submitted a request for three (3) of the lots to be donated to them for the construction of affordable housing rental units.

The Chairman opened the Public Hearing.

Jens Tripson, 2525 14th Street, representing EDHAP, thanked the Board for donating the surplus property.

There were no additional speakers; the Chairman closed the Public Hearing.

Chairman Solari acknowledged the work of EDHAP in providing affordable housing.

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Bryan, seconded by Commissioner Flescher, to approve staff's recommendation and Resolution 2019-040, approving the list of County owned properties appropriate for the provision of affordable housing and providing for the disposition of those properties . The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

B. PUBLIC DISCUSSION ITEMS

10.B.1.

Request to Speak from Peyton Fecca & Andrew Cassera, Vero Beach High School Students, Regarding TNR-Community Cats of Indian River County

Peyton Fecca and Andrew Cassera, Vero Beach High School students, gave a presentation advocating for the cessation of the practice of euthanizing cats to

control feral cat populations. They provided examples of successful Trap Neuter Vaccinate and Return (TNVR) programs used to reduce the size of free-roaming/feral cat populations, and presented data showing that 95.7% of local free-roaming/feral cats tested negative for two prevalent feline diseases.

No Action Taken or Required

C. PUBLIC NOTICE ITEMS

- 10.C.1.** Notice of Two Public Hearings Scheduled for June 11, 2019: Two Separate Public Hearings Will be Held on Two Separate Land Development Regulation Amendments (Legislative)

County Attorney Dylan Reingold read the notices into the record.

No Action Taken or Required

11. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR MATTERS

12. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS

A. Community Development

B. Emergency Services

C. General Services

1. Human Services

2. Sandridge Golf Club

3. Recreation

D. Human Resources

- 12.D.1.** Approval of Time and Attendance Software - Kronos Workforce Ready and Workforce Accruals

Human Resources Director Suzanne Boyll stated that the proposed time and attendance system, provided by Kronos, would allow staff to accomplish the payroll in a more efficient and effective manner.

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

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

12.D.2.

Medical and Pharmacy Benefit - Recommendations for Plan Year 2019/20

Human Resources (H.R.) Director Suzanne Boyll reviewed the information contained in her memorandum of May 28, 2019 regarding the proposed changes to the County's group health insurance plan. She provided details on the existing plan, which is classified as a Premier Gold Plan. H.R. Director Boyll reported that additional funding and plan changes would be needed to continue to provide affordable, competitive, and sustainable benefits for covered members. She detailed staff's proposal to introduce a second plan, the Premier Silver Plan, which is more affordable for employees. Ms. Boyll disclosed the costs for the Premier Gold and Silver Plans and noted that the provider network for both plans would remain Florida Blue. She also advocated implementing a Clinical Advantage Program (CAP) for the pharmacy benefit which puts in cost controls (such as implementing a review process) related to medicines that are either high claims or of low clinical value.

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Bryan, seconded by Commissioner Flescher, to continue with today's discussion, and to table the vote on this item to the June 18, 2019 County Commission meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

Commissioner Flescher advocated for an open forum allowing the H.R. Director to review the proposed health plan changes with County employees.

A motion was made by Commissioner Flescher, seconded by Chairman Solari, to direct the Human Resources Director to hold a Workshop Meeting regarding the revisions to the County's health plan for all the County employees, including Constitutional Officers' employees. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

Commissioner O'Bryan expressed concerns about the medication reviews of the pharmacy benefits. He wanted to ensure that the employees are receiving the medications that they depend on.

H.R. Director Boyll explained that RXBenefits, the Pharmacy Benefits Administrator, provides concierge customer service and oversight.

Jennifer Dimura, Clinical Pharmacist, for Lockton Companies (the County's professional benefits consultant), discussed the claim review process.

County Administrator Jason Brown acknowledged Commissioner O'Bryan's

concerns, and affirmed staff's goal to provide a good health plan while identifying any obvious misuses of the system which would drive up medical costs.

Commissioner Flescher echoed Commissioner O'Bryan's concerns about interfering with an employees' medications.

A discussion ensued, with input from Ms. Dimura, regarding ways a medication might be deceptively marketed or misused.

Commissioner Zorc sought and received information on the structuring of the proposed health plan into two tiers (Employee Only and Family), and about plans offered by other jurisdictions.

The following speakers voiced concerns about the affordability of the proposed increase in the premium for the Premier Gold Plan:

Indian River County Sheriff Deryl Loar also noted that the Open Enrollment period for the Sheriff's staff is approaching, and that salary increases might be nullified by the premium increase.

John O'Connor, President, International Association of Firefighters, Local 2201, mentioned that the County needed to be competitive in the marketplace to retain personnel.

Detective Chris Lester, Indian River County Sheriff's Office, suggested that a lower-cost option be implemented for employees who seldom use the health insurance.

Detective Bob Sunkel, Indian River County Sheriff's Office, commented on income versus expenses.

H.R. Director Boyll noted that the County's financial contributions will also be increased in order to help keep the employees' health insurance costs down. She noted, however, that the trend for medical and pharmacy costs is to increase.

Administrator Brown suggested that staff explore the alternative of phasing in the premium increases. He stressed that the County needs to take action and address the issue of rising costs proactively while balancing the needs of the employees.

No Action Taken or Required

E. Office of Management and Budget

F. Public Works

12.F.1. Purchase Order for Mast Arms, Indian River Boulevard and Grand Harbor Boulevard Mast Arm, IRC-1806

Public Works Director Rich Szpyrka recalled the Board's approval in May 2019 for a contractor to provide design services for a signalized intersection at Indian River Boulevard and Grand Harbor Boulevard. He highlighted two quotes from mast arm suppliers, noting that the project is scheduled for construction in November 2019, and conveyed staff's request to waive the bid requirement and purchase the mast arms from DOT Lighting, Inc., so they can be available when the project commences.

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

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

G. Utilities Services

13. COUNTY ATTORNEY MATTERS

14. COMMISSIONERS MATTERS

A. Commissioner Bob Solari, Chairman

B. Commissioner Susan Adams, Vice Chairman

C. Commissioner Joseph E. Flescher

D. Commissioner Peter D. O'Bryan

E. Commissioner Tim Zorc

Commissioners Open Dialogue

15. SPECIAL DISTRICTS AND BOARDS

A. Emergency Services District

B. Solid Waste Disposal District

C. Environmental Control Board

16. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 10:51 a.m.

