

Indian River County Florida

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, October 10, 2017

9:00 AM

Commission Chambers

Board of County Commissioners

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

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

ROLLCALL

Present: 4 - Chairman Joseph Flescher
Commissioner Susan Adams
Commissioner Bob Solari
Commissioner Tim Zorc

Absent: 1 - Vice Chairman Peter O'Bryan

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

2.B. INVOCATION

Stan Boling, Community Development Director

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Jason E. Brown, County Administrator

4. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA / EMERGENCY ITEMS

Delete: Public Discussion Item 10.B.1, Request to Speak from Ardra Rigby and Bill Rigby Regarding Drainage in Wabasso Community

A motion was made by Commissioner Solari, seconded by Commissioner Adams, to approve the Agenda, as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chairman Flescher, Commissioner Adams, Commissioner Solari, and Commissioner Zorc

Absent: 1 - Vice Chairman O'Bryan

5. PROCLAMATIONS and PRESENTATIONS

5.A. 17-1043 Presentation of Proclamation and Retirement Award Honoring Jeffrey Valentino on His Retirement From Indian River County Board of County Commissioners Department of Emergency Service/Fire Rescue Division with Thirty Years of Service

Attachments: [Proclamation](#)
[Service Award](#)

Jeffrey Valentino was not in attendance to receive his Proclamation.

No Action Taken or Required

5.B. 17-1046 Presentation by Sergeant Curtis Paulisin, Vice President and Outreach Director, Veterans Council of Indian River County, on Family and Community 3rd Annual Picnic Saturday, October 21st, 2017

Recommended Action: Presentation Only - No Action Required

Attachments: [Veterans 3rd Annual Picnic Flyer](#)

Sergeant Curtis Paulisin, Vice President and Outreach Director, Veterans Council of Indian River County, with the assistance of Kryse Manson and Al Davis, American Legion Post 181, provided details on the Family and Community 3rd Annual Picnic that is scheduled to be held at Gifford Park on Saturday, October 21, 2017 from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Chairman Flescher expressed his excitement about the upcoming event and commended the veterans for their hard work in making the event a success. He explained that there would also be a re-dedication of the park held prior to the opening of the event in recognition of Victor Hart, Sr.

Sergeant Paulisin made mention that Memorial Island suffered extensive damage from Hurricane Irma, and provided details for hurricane cleanup days scheduled on Wednesday, October 19, 2017 and Saturday, October 21, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.. He suggested that volunteers could help with the cleanup in the morning, and then afterwards head over to eat at the Picnic on Saturday afternoon.

No Action Taken or Required

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

7.A. 17-1050 Fairgrounds License Agreement - State of Florida, Department of Children & Families Services - Disaster SNAP Program

Recommended Action: Informational Only - No Action Required

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Indian River County Fairgrounds License Agreement](#)
[DCF Disaster SNAP Food Assistance Program](#)

No Action Taken or Required

8. CONSENT AGENDA

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

Aye: 4 - Chairman Flescher, Commissioner Adams, Commissioner Solari, and Commissioner Zorc

Absent: 1 - Vice Chairman O'Bryan

8.A. 17-1029 Appointments to the Economic Opportunities Council of Indian River County, Inc.

Recommended Action: The County Attorney recommends that the Board reappoint Jennifer Proper, Linda McConkey and Donald Hart, Sr. and appoint Charles Pope to the Economic Opportunities Council of Indian River County, Inc.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[17.09.28 EOC Committee Appointments w Ltr Notice-Attach](#)

Approved staff's recommendation

8.B. 17-1048 Fiscal Year 2017/2018 Blanket Authorization for Commissioners, County Officers, and Staff for Out of County Travel

Recommended Action: Approval

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

Approved staff's recommendation

8.C. 17-1044 Out of County Travel to Attend the 2018 Governor's Hurricane Conference to be held May 13 to 16, 2018 in West Palm Beach

Recommended Action: Informational

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Florida Governor Hurricane Conference Registration Form](#)
[Florida's EM and Hurricane Conference - Why You Should Attend the GHC](#)

Approved staff's recommendation

8.D. 17-1049 Authorization to Attend FGFOA and GFOA Annual Conferences and FGFOA School of Government Finance

Recommended Action: Staff Recommends the Board Confirm Travel Authorization for the County Administrator

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

Authorized the County Administrator to attend the Florida Government Finance Officers Association Annual Conference (FGFOA), Government Finance Officers Association Annual Conference (GFOA), the Florida Government Finance Officers Association School of Governmental Finance and the quarterly meetings of the Treasure Coast Chapter of the Florida Government Finance Officers Association.

8.E. 17-1039 Authorization to Attend Public Funds Investment Seminar

Recommended Action: Board Authorization for County Administrator to Attend Public Funds Investment Seminar

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Public Funds Investment Seminar](#)

Approved staff's recommendation

8.F. 17-0910 Release of Retainage - Donadio and Associates Architects, P.A. Amendment No. 3 to Indian River County Public Shooting Range Hunter Education Classroom

Recommended Action: Staff recommends the Board of County Commissioners approve Donadio and Associates Architects, P.A. Invoice No. 2015-67.015, dated August 8, 2017 in the amount of \$4,209.84 for payment.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Donadio and Associates Architects, P.A. Invoice No. 2015-67.015](#)

Approved staff's recommendation

8.G. 17-1033 David Krebs' Request for Release of Easements at 11655 Old Dixie Highway (Sebastian Grove Estates Subdivision)

Recommended Action: Staff recommends that the Board, through adoption of the resolution, approve release of the common side lot line drainage and utility easements described in the resolution.

Attachments: [Staff report](#)
[Maps depicting easements](#)
[Proposed resolution releasing easements](#)

Approved **Resolution No. 2017-106**, releasing certain easements on Lots 21, 22, 23 and 24, Block 4, Sebastian Grove Estates Subdivision.

- 8.H. 17-1034** Seafood Atlantic Inc.'s Request for Release of Easements at 11628 High Street (Sebastian Grove Estates Subdivision)

Recommended Action: Staff recommends that the Board, through adoption of the resolution, approve release of the two common side lot line drainage and utility easements described in the resolution.

Attachments: [Staff report](#)
[Maps depicting easements](#)
[Proposed resolution releasing easements](#)

Approved **Resolution No. 2017-107**, releasing certain easements on Lots 5 and 6, Block 4, Sebastian Grove Estates Subdivision.

- 8.I. 17-1037** Utility Easement Purchase Agreement

Recommended Action: Staff requests the Board of County Commissioners recommend the purchase of the subject perpetual utility easement, and authorize the Chairman to sign the Agreement to Purchase and Sell Real Estate between Indian River County, and Harold and Christine Hall.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Agreement to Purchase and Sell Real Estate between IRC and Halls](#)

Approved staff's recommendation

- 8.J. 17-1038** Approval of Agreements for Continuing Environmental and Biological Support Services for Engineering Projects RFQ# 2017053 Project No. IRC-1720

Recommended Action: Staff recommends approval of the fee schedules and agreements between the County and the four (4) firms selected and further requests the Board to authorize the Chairman to execute the agreements.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Ecological Associates, Inc. Agreement and Fee Schedule](#)
[Environmental Science Associates Agreement and Fee Schedule](#)
[GK Environmental, Inc. Agreement and Fee Schedule](#)
[Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc Agreement and Fee Schedule](#)

Approved staff's recommendation

8.K. 17-1040 Release and Satisfaction of Demolition Lien (Lot 1, Albrecht Grove Subdivision)

Recommended Action: Authorize the Chairman to execute the Release and Satisfaction of Lien for recordation in the Public Records of Indian River County, Florida.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Release and Satisfaction of Lien](#)

Authorized the Chairman to execute the Release and Satisfaction of Demolition Lien releasing Hector Bello, and the property located at Lot 1, Albrecht Grove Subdivision, for recordation in the Public Records of Indian River County, Florida.

8.L. 17-1041 Partial Satisfaction of Demolition Lien (Lot 7, Less the East 70 feet thereof, Block 14, Tropicolony, Inc. Number Four)

Recommended Action: Authorize the Chairman to execute the Partial Satisfaction of Lien for recordation in the Public Records of Indian River County, Florida.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Partial Satisfaction of Lien](#)

Approved staff's recommendation

9. CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS and GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES**10. PUBLIC ITEMS****A. PUBLIC HEARINGS****B. PUBLIC DISCUSSION ITEMS****10.B.1. 17-1045** Request to Speak from Ardra Rigby and Bill Rigby Regarding Drainage in Wabasso Community

Recommended Action: Public Discussion Item - No Action Required

Attachments: [Request to Speak Form](#)

This item was deleted from the Agenda at the request of Ardra and Bill Rigby.

C. PUBLIC NOTICE ITEMS**11. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR MATTERS****11.A. 17-1047** Meetings of the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners - Proposed 2018 Meeting Dates

Recommended Action: Staff requests direction from the Board.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Draft 2018 BCC Meeting Dates](#)

Commissioner Zorc noted that he had two (2) potential conflicts with meeting dates for next year, but would work to resolve those conflicts as they arose.

A motion was made by Commissioner Solari, seconded by Commissioner Adams, to approve the proposed schedule of Board meeting dates for 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chairman Flescher, Commissioner Adams, Commissioner Solari, and Commissioner Zorc

Absent: 1 - Vice Chairman O'Bryan

12. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS

A. Community Development

B. Emergency Services

C. General Services

1. Human Services

2. Sandridge Golf Club

3. Recreation

D. Human Resources

E. Office of Management and Budget

F. Public Works

12.F.1. 17-0997 Update on the ongoing Pilot Plant Study for a Full-Scale Managed Aquatic Plant Pollutant Removal System Treating Water from the North Relief Canal

Recommended Action: No Recommendation - Agenda item presented for information purposes only

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Pilot Plant Presentation](#)

Keith McCully, Stormwater Engineer and Dr. Matthew Van Ert, Ph.D., Van Ert, Nemoto and Associates, LLC, provided an update on the results obtained from the investigation of a managed aquatic plant pollutant removal system along the

Indian River Farms Water Control District's (IRFWCD) North Relief Canal. Through the use of a PowerPoint Presentation, Engineer McCully described the basics of the project and detailed the four (4) stages involved with the Pilot Plant Study.

Engineer McCully, with the assistance of Dr. Van Ert, explained the objectives of Stage 1 of the Study and provided the levels of nitrogen, phosphorus, micronutrients, heavy metals, and herbicides found in the canal during the testing period. Throughout the Presentation, Dr. Van Ert answered Commissioner Zorc's inquiries regarding the nature and origin of the organic nitrogen levels found in the water quality samples, water lettuce growing seasons, and if the water temperature had any influence on the growth of the lettuce.

Engineer McCully went on to explain the goals of Stage 2 of the Study, which was to compare two systems to determine the most efficient Low Energy Aquatic Plant System (LEAPS), and to measure the amounts of nutrients in harvested plants over a particular time period. He summarized the findings in both systems, and that Stage 3 of the Study would consist of continued testing on the LEAPS system, focusing on the harvesting and monitoring of the plant tissue and water quality.

Commissioner Zorc sought and received information regarding the value of the harvested material, and if the by-products of the process could be used in an alternate form. Engineer McCully, assisted by Dr. Van Ert, discussed the possibility of composting the harvested material, and mentioned that past experiments had been done with water lettuce and algae, and that both paper and plastic products had been made from the by-products. Dr. Van Ert stated that there was value in the composted material, but that it would be challenging to market because of the large volume needed to sustain a business.

Commissioner Zorc asked if Dr. Van Ert could develop a document that detailed the findings and the basic chemical composition of the plants for distribution to similar agencies to determine if there was any interest in the product.

Engineer McCully continued with his Presentation, noting that as the tanks were being harvested, it was noticed that a sludge layer had accumulated in the bottom of both of the water lettuce tanks. He provided an analysis of the sludge amounts, and determined that a sludge removal mechanism would need to be created and incorporated into the final design of the project.

A discussion ensued about the findings, with Dr. Van Ert and Engineer McCully offering solutions to the Board's questions about the disposal and handling of the sludge, as well as other possibilities for its use. Engineer McCully summarized the major advantages of the LEAPS system, pointing out that one substantial advantage was that there was no loss of the crop during power outages.

Dr. Van Ert also clarified that he was working with Engineer McCully on how to integrate an influent pumping system for a full-scale LEAPS that would allow pumping during the worst conditions, regardless of the water levels in the canal.

No Action Taken or Required

G. Utilities Services

13. COUNTY ATTORNEY MATTERS

14. COMMISSIONERS MATTERS

A. Commissioner Joseph E. Flescher, Chairman

B. Commissioner Peter D. O'Bryan, Vice Chairman

C. Commissioner Susan Adams

D. Commissioner Bob Solari

E. Commissioner Tim Zorc

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 10:01 a.m.