



Indian River County Florida

Meeting Minutes 4

Board of County Commissioners

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Vice Chairman Joseph E. Flescher
Commissioner Tim Zorc
Commissioner Peter D. O'Bryan
Commissioner Bob Solari

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

Tuesday, June 16, 2020

9:00 AM

Commission Chambers

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1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2.A. A MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR FIRST RESPONDERS AND MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES

2.B. INVOCATION

Stan Boling, Gracespring Covenant Church

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Joseph E. Flescher, Vice-Chairman

4. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA / EMERGENCY ITEMS

Moved: Emergency Services District Items 15.A.1 and 15.A.2 to be heard following Public Hearing Item 10.A.4.

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

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

5. PROCLAMATIONS and PRESENTATIONS

5.A. Presentation from Curtis Paulisin of Vietnam Veterans of Indian River Count re: Rescheduled Mary Snyder Golf Tournament Date

Curtis Paulisin with the Vietnam Veterans of Indian River County (VVIRC) announced that the Mary Snyder Annual Veteran Golf Tournament held at the Sandridge Golf Club was rescheduled to August 1, 2020.

Victor Diaz, Treasurer, spoke on the VVIRC's mission to help veterans in need and their partnership with the non-profit organization, Every Dream Has A Price.

Donna Katen-Bahensky, former West Palm Beach VA Director, and Cheryl Carradini, US Navy Veteran member and Marketing and Events Coordinator, spoke on the VVIRC programs and events.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

8. CONSENT AGENDA

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

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

8.A. Checks and Electronic Payments May 29, 2020 to June 4, 2020

Approved

8.B. Final payment, Release of Retainage and Change Order No. 2 for Sector 5 Beach and Dune Restoration Project (IRC-1923)

Approved staff's recommendation

8.C. Final Payment, Release of Retainage and Change Order No. 1, Indian River Boulevard and Grand Harbor Boulevard Signalization (IRC-1806)

Approved staff's recommendation

8.D. Approval of Utility Conflict Resolution on 43rd Avenue Corridor

Approved staff's recommendation

9. CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS and GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES

10. PUBLIC ITEMS

A. PUBLIC HEARINGS

PROOF OF PUBLICATION FOR THESE HEARINGS IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK TO THE BOARD.

10.A.1.

Biosolids Moratorium Extension Ordinance - LEGISLATIVE

County Attorney Dylan Reingold reviewed the information in his memorandum dated May 13, 2020, regarding a draft ordinance to extend the Biosolids Temporary Moratorium for an additional 180 days, beginning on July 5, 2020, consistent with Senate Bill 712.

Chairman Adams opened the Public Hearing.

Bob Auwaerter, Vice Mayor for the Town of Indian River Shores, applauded the Board for their efforts in regards to the biosolids temporary moratorium.

Steve Boyle, 285 Riverway Drive, was in support of extending the biosolids temporary moratorium.

There being no further speakers, the Chairman closed the Public Hearing.

Commissioner Solari requested the Board's consideration in revisiting the biosolids temporary moratorium extension prior to his final meeting in November. A discussion followed regarding the transition from a temporary moratorium to a permanent prohibition on biosolids.

A motion was made by Commissioner Solari, seconded by Vice Chairman Flescher, to adopt Ordinance 2020-008, authorizing an extension of the temporary moratorium for an additional 180 days, or until a comprehensive review of the impact on the County's ecosystem is completed, within the unincorporated areas of Indian River County prohibiting land application activities of Class B biosolids; providing for additional study and possible regulation of Class B biosolids application activities; providing for exhaustion of administrative remedies; and providing for severability, repeal of conflicting provisions, and an effective date. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

10.A.2.

Authorization to Submit an Application for a Federal Transit Administration Grant for CARES Act Operating Assistance (Section 5307) - Legislative

Brian Freeman, Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Staff Director, provided information on the grant application for the Section 5307 program which provided funding assistance through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act allocated for both the capital and operating costs

associated with Indian River County's public transportation system. He pointed out that no local match was required to receive the CARES Act funds.

Chairman Adams opened the Public Hearing. There being no speakers, the Chairman closed the Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Bryan, seconded by Commissioner Zorc, to approve staff's recommendation and Resolution 2020-050, authorizing the filing of applications for grant funding assistance from the Federal Transit Administration. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

10.A.3.

Authorization to Submit Applications for Federal Transit Administration Grants for Capital Assistance (Section 5307) and Bus Replacement (Section 5339) - Legislative

Brian Freeman, Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Staff Director, spoke on the Federal Transit Administration Grants for its Sections 5307 and 5339 programs, which would cover most of the capital expenses associated with the GoLine and Community Coach.

Chairman Adams opened the Public Hearing. There being no speakers, the Chairman closed the Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Flescher, seconded by Commissioner O'Bryan, to approve staff's recommendation and Resolution 2020-051, authorizing the filing of applications for grant funding assistance from the Federal Transit Administration. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

10.A.4.

Request from iTransit, LLC for a Class E1 Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide Wheelchair transports originating from Indian River County (Administrative)

Director of the Department of Emergency Services Tad Stone reviewed the information contained in his memorandum dated June 8, 2020 regarding a request from iTransit, LLC for a Class E1 Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide Wheelchair transports.

Chairman Adams opened the Public Hearing. There being no speakers, the Chairman closed the Public Hearing.

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

following vote:

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

B. PUBLIC DISCUSSION ITEMS**C. PUBLIC NOTICE ITEMS****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.** Medical and Pharmacy Benefit - Recommendations for Plan Year 2020/21 -
Continued from June 2, 2020

Human Resources Director Suzanne Boyll recapped the discussion from the June 2, 2020 Board meeting regarding the funding requirements for the upcoming Medical and Pharmacy Benefit Plan Year 2020/21. She projected that an additional \$3 million in funding would be needed to cover current benefit levels. She stated that the Board directed staff to meet with employee groups and receive feedback on whether plan changes or premium increases were preferred, provide information regarding a high deductible health plan option, an employee health clinic, and a Telemedicine proposal. She shared the sentiments from the employee groups regarding the various options.

Ms. Boyll went over the current plan year 2019/20 funding, the anticipated funding shortfall for the 2020/21 plan year, plan design options, funding for the Telemedicine proposal, and the premium contribution options. Ms. Boyll concluded that staff recommended Premium Contribution Option 3 with Plan Design Option B with an increase employer paid monthly premium of \$40 for single coverage/\$80 for family coverage for both the Premier Silver and Premier Gold plan and increasing the monthly employee premium under the Premier Gold

plan by \$40 for single coverage/\$80 for family coverage. There would be no increase in the employee contribution under the Premier Silver Plan.

A discussion ensued among the Board and Ms. Boyll regarding the Telemedicine proposal and whether there was a way the Teladoc Health web or mobile app could measure the cost savings by utilizing the service versus urgent care, what services and types of medications could be provided through the service, as well as Martin County's employee clinic approach, and partnering with a community health center with various locations within the County.

The following speakers addressed the Board with their concerns regarding the higher benefit costs, employee retention, and a comparison of salaries and benefits of other counties.

John O'Connor, President, International Association of Firefighters, Local 2201.
Steve Boyle, 285 Riverway Drive
Joseph Karman, President of the Indian River Deputies Association
Katherine Gibson, Secretary and Treasurer of the Indian River Deputies Association

Commissioner Solari sought and received clarification from County Administrator Jason Brown on the financial details of Premium Contribution Option 2 with Plan Design Option B (Option 2B), noting that an additional \$250,000 would be needed to cover the shortfall. A discussion followed on funding for Option 2B, which included plan design changes. Commissioner O'Bryan warned that health care costs would continue to increase and reiterated that there would probably be additional increases next year.

A motion was made by Commissioner Solari, seconded by Commissioner Zorc, to approve, effective with the plan year beginning October 1, 2020, Premium Contribution Option 2 with Plan Design Option B providing for an increase in the employer paid monthly premiums by \$40 for single coverage and \$80 for family coverage for both the Premier Silver and Premier Gold Plans, increasing the monthly employee premium under the Premier Gold Plan by \$25 for single coverage and \$50 for family coverage, providing for no increase in the employee contribution under the Premier Silver Plan, implementing the plan design changes totaling \$250,000 (Option B), and adding a telemedicine benefit with a \$10 primary care provider copay and \$20 dermatology copay for the telemedicine visit. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Chairman Adams expressed her concern regarding the increase in the health care costs, noting her opinion that next year would be no different. She felt that the County

should look at options related to an employee health clinic to provide some value and benefit for the employees. She was in favor of staff bringing back to the Board, preferably at the first of the year, a summary of options for discussion on an employee health clinic, and she believed the work could be done in-house rather than going through a consultant. A discussion followed in support of staff looking into employee health clinics and bringing back the information in a workshop.

A motion was made by Commissioner Solari, seconded by Commissioner Zorc, to direct staff to bring back a proposal related to employee health clinics via a workshop.

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

The Chairman called a recess at 10:26 a.m., and reconvened the meeting at 10:33 a.m., with all members present.

E. Office of Management and Budget

F. Public Works

12.F.1.

Research Review Phase of the IRC Lagoon Management Plan: Update 1

Molly Klinepeter, Lagoon Plan Environmental Specialist, presented the first update of the Research Review Phase of the Indian River County (IRC) Lagoon Management Plan (IRL Plan). In her PowerPoint Presentation, she acknowledged the IRC Staff Task Force who assisted in the research of the data for the updates, and reviewed the research plan timeline of the IRL Plan. She then reviewed the Research Review Phase and indicated that 17 key factors were identified as potential impacts to the health of the Lagoon within the County. She focused on the areas where more information may be needed to determine what impacts were occurring: Annual Rainfall Data, Best Management Practices, Biosolids, Ecosystem Functions and Habitat Use (Part1), Sea Level Rise, and Land Use Changes (Plan 1). She concluded that the public would be made aware of the research efforts through the dissemination of infographics.

Each Commissioner, in response to the presentation, gave input on removing the muck from the Lagoon, public education through infographics, prioritizing the projects, the long term costs involved with gathering the current scientific and data-based information and then implementing the project, offsetting the costs by piggybacking from other Lagoon project resources, and partnering with the water control and drainage districts.

Chairman Adams asked if there were any comments from the public.

Stephen Boyle, 285 Riverway Drive, thanked the Board for continuing to be being proactive with cleaning up the Indian River Lagoon.

No Action Taken or Required

G. Utilities Services

13. COUNTY ATTORNEY MATTERS

14. COMMISSIONERS MATTERS

A. Commissioner Susan Adams, Chairman

B. Commissioner Joseph E. Flescher, Vice Chairman

C. Commissioner Tim Zorc

D. Commissioner Peter D. O'Bryan

E. Commissioner Bob Solari

15. SPECIAL DISTRICTS AND BOARDS

A. Emergency Services District

[Clerk's Note: These items were heard following Item 10.A.4., and placed here for continuity.]

The Board of County Commissioners reconvened as the Board of Commissioners of the Emergency Services District. The minutes will be approved at an upcoming Emergency Services District meeting.

15.A.1. Approval of Minutes Meeting March 03, 2020

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Flescher, seconded by Commissioner O'Bryan, to approve the Minutes Meeting of March 3, 2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

15.A.2. Sole Source Purchase of Five (5) Stryker Lucas v3.1 CPR Compression Devices

There was no discussion regarding this item.

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

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

The Board of Commissioners of the Emergency Services District reconvened as the Board of County Commissioners, and the regular meeting resumed with Item 12.D.1.

B. Solid Waste Disposal District

C. Environmental Control Board

16. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:16 a.m.