

# Indian River County Florida

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

**Wednesday, September 15, 2021**

**Preliminary Budget Hearing**

**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  
Terri Collins-Lister, Deputy Clerk**

**6. INDIAN RIVER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SITTING AS SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL DISTRICT BOARD**

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

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 meeting.

6.A. Announce 2021/2022 Proposed Charge and Budget.

**21-0817** Solid Waste Disposal District

**Attachments:** [SWDD Fund](#)

Management and Budget Director Kristin Daniels disclosed that the FY 2021/22 Solid Waste Disposal District (SWDD) proposed budget is \$19,375,997.

The FY 2021/22 proposed charges and Budget for the SWDD were outlined by Budget Director Daniels as follows:

1. \$84.76 per Residential Waste Generation Unit (\$135.62/House)  
(8.15% increase from current year)  
\$47.64 per Commercial Waste Generation Unit  
(7.01% increase from current year)  
Readiness-to-Use Fee \$29.51  
(7.62% increase from current year)
2. \$19,375,997 Budget

Chairman Flescher opened the public hearing.

Daniel Richey, 2625 63rd Street, came before the Board to address the citrus packing houses and the Solid Waste Fee Structure. He explained to the Board how the SWDD rate was calculated on a square foot measurement and that the State dictates the waste fee. He complimented Nancy Allen from the SWDD for her help on the matter. He described the state of the citrus industry today compared to the past and felt there should be a hybrid of determinations when calculating the SWDD rate for citrus packing houses.

County Administrator Jason Brown stated the Board planned on re-evaluating the assessments on properties in the near future and make adjustments accordingly; however, he suggested for the short term having staff work with Mr. Richey to resolve the issue.

Property Appraiser Wesley S. Davis made the Board aware of a petition filed with the Value Adjustment Board based on the non-ad valorem assessment for landfill fees from a citrus packing house located on 90th Avenue.

Managing Director Himanshu Mehta stated that staff was working with Mr. Richey and was still in the process of gathering information regarding the current disposal from the property to determine a calculated waste generation. He stated the County was purchasing scales to put on Waste Management trucks going to businesses to weigh containers to determine the waste generation from the various commercial sectors throughout the County.

There being no other speakers, the Chairman closed the hearing.

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman O'Bryan, seconded by Commissioner Adams, to approve the Solid Waste Disposal District (SWDD) rates of \$84.76 per Residential Waste Generation Unit (\$135.62/House), a 8.15% increase from current year; \$47.64 per Commercial Waste Generation Unit, a 7.01% increase from current year; and Readiness to Use Fee of \$29.51, a 7.62% increase from current year, for the Solid Waste Disposal District. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman O'Bryan, seconded by Commissioner Adams, to adopt the budget in the amount of \$19,375,997 for the Solid Waste Disposal District. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

The Board of Commissioners adjourned the Solid Waste Disposal District hearing, and reconvened as the Board of County Commissioners of the Budget Workshop meeting, continuing with the adoption of non-ad valorem assessment charges.