

Indian River County Florida

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, July 2, 2024

9:00 AM

Commission Chambers

Board of Commissioners

*Susan Adams, District 1, Chairman
Joseph Flescher, District 2, Vice Chairman
Joseph H. Earman, District 3
Deryl Loar, District 4
Laura Moss, District 5*

**John A. Titkanich, Jr., County Administrator
William K. DeBaal, County Attorney
Ryan L. Butler, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller
Shauna James, Deputy Clerk**

15. SPECIAL DISTRICTS AND BOARDS

B. Solid Waste Disposal District

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Flescher, seconded by Chairman Adams, to approve the Solid Waste Disposal District minutes of April 24, 2024, May 7, 2024, and May 21, 2024, as written. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Adams, Vice Chairman Flescher, Commissioner Earman, Commissioner Moss, and Commissioner Loar

15.B.1. [24-0557](#) Approval of SWDD Special Call Meeting Minutes of April 24, 2024

Recommended Action: Approve

Attachments: [SWDD Special Call Meeting Minutes of April 24, 2024](#)

Approved

15.B.2. [24-0537](#) Approval of SWDD Meeting Minutes of May 07, 2024

Recommended Action: Approve

Attachments: [05072024 SWDD Draft](#)

Approved

15.B.3. [24-0540](#) Approval of SWDD Meeting Minutes of May 21, 2024

Recommended Action: Approve

Attachments: [05212024 SWDD Draft](#)

Approved

15.B.4. [24-0526](#) Approval of FY 2025 Annual Adjustment Requests by Waste Management, Atlas Organics, and Indian River Sustainability Center

Recommended Action: Solid Waste Disposal District staff recommends that the Board approve the calculated Consumer Price Index of 2.47% be granted to Waste Management, Inc. of Florida with a 3.44% CPI allowance and a \$0.009 per gallon chemical adjustment for Indian River Sustainability Center, LLC, and approve staff recommendation to accept the simplified pricing structure as proposed by Atlas Organics Indian River, LLC, authorize the County Administrator or his designee to send a letter of approval.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Rate adjustment Letter from Waste Management](#)
[Rate adjustment Letter from Atlas](#)
[Rate adjustment Letter from IRSC](#)

Managing Director Solid Waste Disposal District (SWDD) Himanshu Mehta informed the Board of the following rate adjustment recommendations. Waste Management had requested a 2.47% Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase with a 3.44% CPI allowance, Indian River Sustainability Center, LLC, requested a \$0.009 per gallon chemical adjustment, and recommended the Board accept the simplified pricing structure as proposed by Atlas Organics Indian River, LLC.

Mr. Mehta introduced Vice President of Compost Operations at Atlas Organics David Bahrenburg, who took opportunity to present the company's mission to the Board.

Atlas Organics Controller Jarrett Bond used a PowerPoint presentation to explain that the company took over the Indian River County composting facility on January 1, 2020. They made infrastructure improvements and process around 90,000 tons of organic waste into compost, topsoil, soil blends, and mulches annually. The facility also accepts a significant amount of packaged food waste, expanding its impact.

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

Aye: 5 - Chairman Adams, Vice Chairman Flescher, Commissioner Earman, Commissioner Moss, and Commissioner Loar

15.B.5. [24-0527](#) Work Order No. 12 to Kimley-Horn for Various Landfill Improvement Projects

Recommended Action: Solid Waste Disposal District staff recommends that its Board approve Work Order No. 12 with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. for \$123,459, to provide engineering services related to the various landfill improvement projects; and authorize the Chairman to execute the same, as presented.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[KHA Work Order No 12](#)

There was no discussion on this Item.

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

Aye: 5 - Chairman Adams, Vice Chairman Flescher, Commissioner Earman, Commissioner Moss, and Commissioner Loar

15.B.6. [24-0533](#) Approval of Solid Waste and Recyclables Collection Franchise Agreement between SWDD and Waste Management, Inc. of Florida

Recommended Action: Solid Waste Disposal District (SWDD) staff recommends the Board approve the following: 1. Approve the Solid Waste and Recycling Collection Franchise Agreement between SWDD and Waste Management, Inc. of Florida; and 2. Authorize the chairman to execute the agreement

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Franchise Agreement with WM](#)

There was no discussion on this Item.

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

Aye: 5 - Chairman Adams, Vice Chairman Flescher, Commissioner Earman, Commissioner Moss, and Commissioner Loar