



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING

County Administration Bldg. B, Room B1-501
1800 27th Street, Vero Beach, Florida
October 9, 2017 – 1:00 P.M.

AGENDA

- 1. **CALL TO ORDER:** David Gunter, Chairman
- 2. **AGENDA REVIEW:** Additions or Changes
- 3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** June 12, 2017
- 4. **FINANCIAL REPORT:** David Cox, Treasurer

OLD BUSINESS:

- 5. Indian River Lagoon Council: Update STEM Advisory Committee
- 6. New Ranchette wording to be inserted for Pond?

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. NACD Poster Contest
- 2. Board Meeting Schedule for 2017/2018
- 3. Report from Jennifer Abbey

REPORTS:

Jennifer Abbey, NRCS
Jake Fojtik, FDACS

Board and Staff

- Chair, IRSWCD, Seat #2 David Gunter
- Vice-Chair, IRSWCD, Seat #3. Robert Adair, Jr.
- Sec-Treas, IRSWCD, Seat #5. David Cox
- Member, IRSWCD, Seat #1 George Simons
- Member, IRSWCD, Seat #4. Bobby Lindsey
- District Staff Assistant II, IRSWCD. Linda Caggiano



ADJOURNMENT

MARK YOUR CALENDAR – DATES TO REMEMBER:
November 13, 2017 1:00 PM
County Administration Bldg. B–Conference Room B1-501

Monthly Meeting –June 12, 2017

Supervisors in attendance: Chairman: David Gunter, Vice-Chairman: Robert Adair, Jr., Secretary/Treasurer: Dr. David Cox, Bobby Lindsey, George Simons

Staff in attendance: Jennifer Abbey, District Conservationist, USDA/NRCS
Jake Fojtik, Environmental Specialist I, FDACS
Karyn Bryant, Staff Assistant II, IRSWCD
Kalina Vatave, Intern, NRCS

OLD BUSINESS

1. The IRSWCD meeting was called to order at 1:10 PM by Chairman David Gunter
2. Sunbreak Farms discussion added to Agenda under New Business
Motion: A motion to add a discussion concerning Sunbreak Farms to the Agenda was made by Dr. David Cox and seconded by Bobby Lindsey. Motion carried unanimously.
3. The minutes for May, 2017 were approved as written.
Motion: A motion to approve minutes was made by Bobby Lindsey and seconded by George Simons. Motion carried unanimously.
4. The Financial Report for May , 2017 was available and read by Dr. David Cox
Motion: A motion to accept financial report as read was made by Bobby Lindsey and seconded by Bob Adair, Jr. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Indian River Lagoon Council: update
Dr. Cox briefed the Board about allocations of grant funds and the second round of allocations will be held in July for any unfunded projects

NEW BUSINESS:

6. **Discussion on Sunbreak Farms**
Board discussed concerns with bio-solids, omission of existing pump station on application, and possible effects this may have on the Lagoon; Dr. Cox mentioned that St. Lucie County is also an opposer and has filed for an administrative hearing; Dr. Cox also read a letter drafted by the Indian River County Attorney's Office sent to FDEP concerning Sunbreak Farms
Motion: A motion to write a letter concerning Sunbreak Farms if Public Works Director deems necessary was made by Bobby Lindsey and seconded by Dr. David Cox. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS:

Jennifer Abbey, NRCS Updated Board on monthly report and introduced intern

Jake Fojtik, FDACS Everything with contract must be closed out by 6/30/17; new year contract will be \$90,000 due to 10% budget cuts

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Next Meeting Date

Motion: A motion to cancel the July meeting was made by Bobby Lindsey and seconded by Dr. David Cox. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 2:25 PM. Next meeting is August 14, 2017

David Gunter, Chairman

Date

David Cox, Treasurer

Date

Many ranchette land owners decide to construct a pond on their property. The excavated soil from the pond can provide ready source of fill dirt to raise the building pad elevations and also can be a landscaping amenity. The soil should be checked by a Geotechnical Engineering firm to confirm suitability for use as a foundation before the material is placed directly under any structure.

Ponds can also provide important BMP's for stormwater runoff. If properly designed, the pond can provide temporary runoff storage to minimize flooding, and provide stormwater treatment for the runoff before it is discharged offsite and conveyed to the Indian River Lagoon.

Properly designed ponds will have a discharge pipe connected to an offsite canal under the control of the local Water Control District. The discharge pipe should be attached to a simple control structure, (aka, a bleed down orifice), located in the pond to maintain the normal water level and slow down the flow rate during discharge events. The bleed down crest elevation should be set near the average seasonal high water level of the property's ground water elevation. This elevation can be determined by the Geotechnical Engineering firm. The ranchette grading plan should include a perimeter swale system to collect the rainfall runoff from the entire property and direct it to the pond. During rainfall events the runoff will flow into the pond, temporarily raising the water level. After the rainfall event has past, the pond will slowly bleed back down to the normal water level. The slow release cleans the water by allowing particles suspended in the runoff water to settle out, and increases the time to discharge the runoff to the Indian River Lagoon, both important BMP's.

Properly designed ponds will not be supplemented by water from flow wells. The pond rainfall runoff storage is lost if a well artificially keeps the water level at or above the average seasonal high water level. Also, the well water is a limited resource and should be conserved for more important water uses.



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Is Proud to Sponsor the
2018 NACD POSTER CONTEST

2018 Theme - "Watersheds: Our Water, Our Home"



**DEADLINE: Posters must be received on or before
4:00 PM December 19, 2017
at our local office 1800 27th Street, Building B; Vero Beach, FL 32960**

Indian River Soil & Water Conservation District announces the 2018 Conservation Poster Contest. This contest is a great way for students in Grades K – 5 to enjoy healthy competition while learning about conservation through art. Prizes range from \$75 to \$25. The National Poster Contest theme "Watersheds: Our Water, Our Home" is based on the 2018 National Association of Conservation Districts Stewardship theme. Attached you will find contest rules and information.

This contest is open to public, private and home schooled students. A completed and signed entry form must be attached to the back of each poster. First Place winning posters at the District level will be submitted for competition in the state contest to be held in the summer of 2018, with the possibility of moving on to the National contest.

**For a complete list of rules and entry form: Visit: [www. http://indianriverswcd.org](http://indianriverswcd.org)
Phone: 772-226-4397 or email Linda Caggiano at: lcaggiano@ircgov.com**

George Simons
Seat 1

Chairman: David Gunter
Seat 2

Vice-Chairman: Robert Adair, Jr.,
Seat 3

Bobby Lindsey
Seat 4

Secretary/Treasurer: Dr. David Cox
Seat 5



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**Meeting Schedule
2017 – 2018
(To be approved by Board)**

Monday, October 9, 2017

Monday, November 13, 2017 (Friday, November 10th - Veteran's Day Closed)
(Thursday, November 23-24th - Thanksgiving Closed)

Monday, December 11, 2017 (Tuesday, December 12th - Hanukkah begins
ends December 20th)
(Monday, December 25th - Christmas Closed)

Monday, January 8, 2018 (Monday, January 1st - New Year's Day Closed)
(Monday, January 15th - Martin Luther King Closed)

Monday, February 12, 2018

Monday, March 12, 2018 (Friday, March 30th - Good Friday Closed)

Monday, April 9, 2018 (Sunday, April 1st - Easter Sunday)

Monday, May 14, 2018 (Sunday, May 13th - Mother's Day)
(Monday, May 28th - Memorial Day Closed)

Monday, June 11, 2018 (Sunday, June 17th - Father's Day)

Monday, July 9, 2018 (Wednesday, July 4th - Closed)

Monday, August 13, 2018

Monday, September 10, 2018 (Monday, September 3rd - Labor Day Closed)

Monday, October 8, 2018 (Columbus Day)

Monday, November 5 or 19th, 2018 (Monday, November 12th – Veteran's Day Closed)
(Thursday, November 22nd – 23rd - Thanksgiving
Closed)

Monday, December 10, 2018 (Sunday, December 2nd - Hanukkah begins and
ends Monday, December 10, 2018)
(Monday, December 24-25th – Christmas Closed)



**Report for: Indian River Soil and Water Conservation District
 October 2017**

Farm Bill Programs

12 of 51 Active contracts totaling approximately \$760,000 over approximately 6,800 acres

EQIP: 10 Active Contracts; 5 new obligations

CSP: 2 Active Contracts

ACEP - WRE: accepting applications

Conservation Application (July-October)

Customer	Description
Clyde R Luke	Brush Management

Other

Completed conservation plans and EQIP obligations
 Completed CSP planning and obligations
 EWP program due to Hurricane Irma

Next Month

Site visits to EWP applicants
 Begin visiting with new EQIP applicants
 Contract management
 CSP renewal contract obligations
 CSP annual payments

Respectfully Submitted by: Jennifer Abbey, NRCS District Conservationist Ft. Pierce FO