

Indian River County Florida

*Indian River County Administration Complex
1800 27th Street, Building B
Room B1-501
Vero Beach, Florida*



Meeting Minutes – Final

Monday, August 12, 2019

1:30 PM

Indian River Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisors

David E. Gunter, Chairman: IRSWCD - Seat #2

Robert C. Adair, Jr., Vice-Chair: IRSWCD - Seat #3

Dr. David L. Cox, Secretary/Treasurer: IRSWCD - Seat #5

Shawn P. Elliott, Member: IRSWCD - Seat #1

Bobby Lindsey, Member: IRSWCD - Seat #4

Linda Caggiano, District Staff Assistant II: IRSWCD

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman David E. Gunter called meeting was called to order at 1:43 PM.

Supervisors in attendance: David E. Gunter, Chairman
Robert C. Adair, Jr., Vice-Chairman
Bobby Lindsey, Member

Staff in attendance: Linda Caggiano, Staff Assistant II, IRSWCD
Jennifer Abbey, District Conservationist, USDA/NRCS
Susan Adams, Vice-Chairman – BOCC
Christine Kelly-Begazo, IRC Extension Director /Ag. Agent

Public in attendance: Bob-Ulevich, Corrigan Ranch

2. AGENDA REVIEW:

There were no additions/changes to the Agenda.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes for June 10, 2019 were approved as written

Motion: A motion to approve minutes was made by Bobby Lindsey and Seconded by Robert C. Adair, Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

4. FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Financial Report for June 2019 and July 2019 was available and read by David E. Gunter.

Motion: A motion to accept the financial reports as presented was made by Bobby Lindsey and Seconded by Robert C. Adair, Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

5. OLD BUSINESS:**A. Indian River Lagoon Council STEM Advisory Committee Update:**

- i. STEM Advisory Committee Update: Mr. Bob Ulevich, Chair of IRL Council Management Board spoke regarding the IRLNEP CCMP meeting held on Friday, August 9, 2019. The final model revision of the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP) was approved by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in Washington, DC. The Certified document now will allow all State Holders: i.e. County, City, Water Management Districts to link into the certified document and any project you propose to do. The document is a “will of the opportunity” that gives you an anchor to assist in a project. Entities who may not have the funds for a project, or need assistance with grant writing is now available. IRLNEP engages Indian River Lagoon partners in a non-regulatory, consensus-driven, and science based process to develop and implement a Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP) to protect and improve coastal environments, communities, restore ecosystem, and an economic health to the IRL. Board of County Commissioner, Vice-Chairman Susan Adams mentioned that it may be beneficial to have Dr. Duane De Freese attend an IRSWCD Board Meeting and give an overview of what IRLNEP does and what resources may be available to IRSWCD.
- ii. IRC BOCC Agenda for Tuesday’s Meeting on August 13, 2019: Item 14. Commissioners Matters- B. Board of County Commissioner, Vice-Chairman Susan Adams: Memorandum and IRLNEP CCMP Resolution of Support.

Motion: A motion to send a letter of support, to Indian River County Board of County Commissioners in support of the Indian River Lagoon National Estuary Program, Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (IRLNEP CCMP) Resolution of Support was made by Robert C. Adair, Jr. and Seconded by Bobby Lindsey. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Biosolids: IRC-BOCC Agenda for Tuesday’s Meeting on August 13, 2019:

- i. IRC Staff Report from Vincent Burke, PE, Director of Utility Services.
- ii. IRC Staff Comment Summary to Proposed Rule Making Changes for 62-640 FACS.
- iii. Gary Roderick Opinion of FDEP Proposed Rule Making Changes for 62-640 FACS.
- iiii. Gary Roderick Resume

Motion: A motion to send a letter of support to Indian River County Board of County Commissioners in support of the Indian River County Staff, Vincent Burke, PE, Director of Utility Services, Proposed Rule Making Changes for 62-640 FACS was made by Bobby Lindsey and Seconded by Robert C. Adair, Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Biosolids: BOCC Agenda for Tuesday’s Meeting on August 13, 2019; Information items from Staff or Commissioners not requiring Board Action: Item 7.H. Letter regarding new Florida Department of Environmental Protection rules on biosolids with attachments:

- i. Commissioners Memorandum.
- ii. Solari letter FDEP 07262019

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. AFCD will be attending a meeting in the next few months. Any topics Board would like for AFCD to discuss?

7. REPORTS:

A. Jennifer Abbey, NRCS:

- ❖ Farm Bill Programs: 15 of 45 Active contracts totaling approximately \$950,000 over approximately 8, 160 acres.
- ❖ EQIP: 11 Active Contracts. 4 Applications Preapproved; 3 applications approved FY 2019.
- ❖ CSP: 5 Active Contracts. 1 Application.
- ❖ ACEP-WRE: Warranty Easement Deed in Perpetuity recorded for Bernard Egan & Company and Vero Beach Producers Inc. and Banack Family Limited Partnership.
- ❖ Conservation Application: June –August Approximately \$157,100 Disbursed: Clifton Lightsey – Structures for Water Control, M&V LLC – Irrigation System, Alberto Antonio Fernandez – Heavy Use Area, Cody Platt – Brush Management – Brazilian Pepper

B. Jake Fojtik, OAWP/FDACS:

C. **Linda Caggiano, IRSWCD:**

- ❖ FDACS reimbursed the Audit Payment of \$4,000.00. The \$4,000.000 has been deposited into the General Checking Account. FDACS Amended the Contract to provide for Annual Audits.
- ❖ Website Update - Boundary Revision completed.
- ❖ Thursday, June 27, 2019 – Stan Boling Retired.
- ❖ Wednesday, July 10, 2019 – Saturday, July 13, 2019 – AFCD Annual Meeting in Ocala, FL.
- ❖ Friday, August 23, 2019 – Emergency Information Center Meeting.
- ❖ Monday, September 2, 2019 - Office Closed – Labor Day.
- ❖ Thursday, September 5, 2019 – Monthly Meeting with Roland Deblois.
- ❖ Monday, September 9, 2019 – IRSWCD Board Meeting.
- ❖ Thursday, October 24, 2019 - AFCD Agency Workshop in Okeechobee.
- ❖ NACD announced the 2020 Poster Contest and Stewardship Week theme is “**Where would we BEE without Pollinators?**” Pollinators form the foundations of a healthy and sustainable future for food and the environment, but in recent years, they have shown concerning signs of decline. It’s important that we work to help them prosper by enhancing native pollinator habitats and protecting against pollinator declines. The 2020 Stewardship Week will take place Apr. 26 – May 3, 2020.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 2.55 PM.

David E. Gunter, Chairman

Date

David L. Cox, Secretary/Treasurer

Date