



**Indian River Soil and Water
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Indian River County Florida**

SUPERVISOR AGENDA

MONDAY, March 11, 2024 – 1:30 P.M.

Indian River County Administration Complex

Vero Beach, Florida

www.indianriverswcd.org

Our Mission

The Indian River Soil and Water Conservation District's (IRSWCD) mission is to provide resources, planning, assessment, assisting citizens to apply conservation and preservation technology, and to educate the citizens in these technologies.

District Supervisors

Robert C. Adair, Jr., Chairman: District 1

Linda Caggiano, District Staff Assistant II

Dr. David L. Cox, Vice-Chairman: District 2

Charles Kennon Hendrix, Member: District 3

Christine Kelly-Begazo, Secretary/Treasurer: District 4

George F. Hamner, Jr., Legislative Liaison: District 5

1. CALL TO ORDER:

2. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA / EMERGENCY ITEMS:

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. Board Meeting of February 12, 2024

4. FINANCIAL REPORT:

A. February 2024 Treasurer's Report

5. REPORTS:

A. **Jennifer Abbey, USDA-NRCS**

B. **Andrea Lazzari, IRC Extension Director; UF/IFAS IRC Extension Agent II**

i. Small & Beginning Farms Conference Planning

C. **Matthew Cox, OAWP-FDACS**

D. **Eric Charest, Interim Natural Resources Director**

E. **Linda Caggiano, IRSWCD**

6. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS:**A. House and Senate Bills Filed (Status):**

- i. House Bill 1075 filed 12/30/2023 Sponsor by House of Representative Keith Truenow (Part of Lake) Related Senate Bill 1772 filed by Senator Jay Collins
- ii. House Bill 7013 filed 12/13/2023, Sponsor Jena Persons-Mulicka (Part of Lee) Related Senate Bill 1058 filed 12/21/2023, Sponsor Travis Hutson (Putnam, St. John, Flagler, Part of Volusia)

B. OPPAGA Update (Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability):

- i. Audit with State in process.

C. Financial Audit for year ending 2023 (per FDACS contract):

- i. Kmetz, Elwell , Graham & Associates, PLLC. *(No action required.)*

D. USDA-NRCS Local Working Group Meeting:

- i. Local Working Group Meeting to be held May 13, 2024

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

- i. IRL Council STEM Advisory Committee Update.

B. Poll Ranking of Board Priorities**8. NEW BUSINESS:****9. ADJOURNMENT:**

Except for those matters specifically exempted under the State Statute and Local Ordinance, the Board shall provide an opportunity for public comment prior to the undertaking by the Board of any action on the agenda. Public comment shall also be heard on any proposition which the Board is to take action which was either not on the Board agenda or distributed to the public prior to the commencement of the meeting.

Anyone who may wish to appeal any decision which may be made at this meeting will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal will be based.

Anyone who needs a special accommodation for this meeting may contact the County's Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Coordinator at (772) 226-1223 at least 48 hours in advance of meeting.

The full agenda is available on line at the Indian River Soil and Water Conservation District Website at www.indianriverswcd.org. The full agenda is also available for review in the Indian River Soil and Water Conservation District Office.

*Next Board of Supervisors Meeting scheduled for
April 8, 2024 - 1:30 PM
Indian River County Administration Complex
1800 27th Street, Building B
Room B1-501
Vero Beach, Florida
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