



**Indian River Soil and Water
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Florida**

SUPERVISOR AGENDA

MONDAY, January 13, 2025 – 1:30 P.M.

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

Our Mission

The Indian River Soil and Water Conservation District's (IRSWCD) mission is to provide assistance, guidance, and education to landowners, land occupiers, the agricultural industry, and the general public in implementing land and water resource protection practices.

District Supervisors

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

Linda Caggiano, District Staff Assistant II

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

Vacant: 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 December 9, 2024.

4. FINANCIAL REPORT:

A. December 2024 Treasurer's Report.

5. REPORTS:

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

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

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

D. **Stephen Wright, OAWP-FDACS**

E. **Eric Charest, Assistant Director of Natural Resources**

F. **Linda Caggiano, IRSWCD**

6. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS:

- A. Election of Board of Supervisors of Indian River Soil and Water Conservation District:**
Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary/Treasurer
- B. Financial Audit for year ending 2024 - Update:**
- C. QuickBooks Renewal - Update:**
- D. Future Legislation: Brainstorm Workshop hosted by FCDEA @ Florida Farm Bureau:**
 - i. Supervisor Districts per Statutes 582.18-582.19
- E. Supervisor for District 3 Vacant: (Discussion)**
- F. Chapter 189 F.S. Special District Accountability Act:**
 - i. Review and update Strategic Plan: Goals, Objectives, Performance measures and standards for the District.

7. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Indian River Lagoon Council STEM Advisory Committee Update (Supervisor Dr. David L. Cox).**
 - i. IRL Council STEM Advisory Committee Update.
- B. Update on Morning Star Farms.**
- C. Update Nature Farms, Inc. - Mark Dellerman**

8. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Research grants for small farmers in Indian River County. (Discussion)**

9. ADJOURNMENT:

Citizens Not on the Agenda requesting to speak will be limited to three (3) minutes, unless additional time is allotted by the Chairman. The Chairman reserves the right to remove anyone from the meeting who is unruly or displays disruptive behavior.

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 act 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 online 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
February 10, 2025 - 1:30 PM
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