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LOXAHATCHEE RIVER ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING - MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 17, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Snyder called the Regular Meeting of November 17, 2022 to order at 7:00 PM.

2. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

A. ROLL CALL

The following Board Members were in attendance:

Mr. Snyder  
Mr. Boggie  
Mr. Rockoff

Staff Members in attendance were Dr. Arrington, Mr. Dean, Mr. Howard, Ms. Fraraccio, Mr. Pugsley, and Ms. Marshall.

Consultants in attendance were Mr. Curtis Shenkman and Mr. Hunter Shenkman from Shenkman Law, Rebecca Travis from Baxter & Woodman (via Goto Webinar) and Jim Casto and Lisa Wynne from Busch Wildlife Sanctuary.

Recently elected Board Members in attendance included Mr. Clinton Yerkes and Mr. Kevin Baker.

B. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

“THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD approve the minutes of the October 20, 2022 Regular Meeting as submitted.”

MOTION: Made by Mr. Rockoff, Seconded by Mr. Boggie  
Passed Unanimously.

C. ADDITIONS & DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Pull Item 5B for discussion  
Move Item 6E to before 6B

3. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

No comments from the public were received.

4. STATUS UPDATES

A. LOXAHATCHEE WATERSHED STATUS

Mr. Howard presented seagrass monitoring results from the Wild Pine Lab's monitoring efforts this summer and fall. In general, seagrasses have been in a long-term state of decline, but there is recent evidence suggesting some seagrasses are moving in a positive direction.

B. LOXAHATCHEE RIVER DISTRICT DASHBOARD

Dr. Arrington reviewed the District Dashboard.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Made by Mr. Boggie Seconded by Mr. Rockoff,  
Passed unanimously.

"THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD approve Items A, C and D from the Consent Agenda of November 17, 2022."

The following motions were approved as a result of the Board's adoption of the Consent Agenda:

A. Jupiter Gardens Apartments – to approve partial release of easement

"THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorize the Executive Director to execute the Partial Release of Easement."

C. Fixed Asset Disposal – to approve disposal

No assets were presented for disposal

D. Change Orders to Current Contracts – IQ511 Pump Station Piping Modifications/N20036:  
Additional Professional Engineering Services During Construction

"THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD authorize Change Order 002 to Baxter & Woodman Inc.'s contract for IQ511 Pump Station Piping Improvements in the amount of \$15,000.00."

6. REGULAR AGENDA

A. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

5B 2023 Public Meeting Annual Schedule – to approve schedule of meetings

"THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD approve of the 2023 public meeting schedule as revised, incorporating the second Thursday, December 14, 2023, for the December meeting."

MOTION: Made by Mr. Rockoff, Seconded by Mr. Boggie  
Passed unanimously.

E. Busch Wildlife Sanctuary – license agreement extension

“THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorize Board Chairman Jim Snyder to execute the attached “Restated LICENSE AGREEMENT Extension #2”, and wishes Busch Wildlife Sanctuary well as they complete construction of their new campus and facilities.”

MOTION: Made by Mr. Rockoff, Seconded by Mr. Boggie,  
Passed unanimously.

B. FY23 Main Lining – Piggyback Contract

“THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorize the “piggyback” of the St. Johns County Master Contract No. 21-MCC-GRA-13190 with Inliner Solutions for an amount not to exceed \$1,125,000.”

MOTION: Made by Mr. Boggie, Seconded by Mr. Rockoff  
Passed unanimously.

C. FY23 Lateral Lining – Piggyback Contract

“THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorize the “piggyback” of the City of Plantation Agreement No. 070-21 with BLD Services, LLC for an amount not to exceed \$2,225,000.”

MOTION: Made by Mr. Boggie Seconded by Mr. Rockoff,  
Passed unanimously.

D. Bureau of Land Management – Weather Bureau

Dr. Arrington discussed his memo to the Board introducing the concept of the District potentially re-constructing the historic Weather Bureau at the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse Outstanding Natural Area and relocating the River Center to this facility. The Governing Board expressed an appreciation for the site as very suitable for conducting environmental education programs, and there was a clear consensus among Board Members that this concept was worthy of pursuing. Nonetheless, there are many questions that need to be addressed. For example, can we enter into an agreement with the federal government that guarantees that we will be able to recoup the value of our investment if we construct the Weather Bureau? Can we develop and implement an equitable solution to fund this project? What is the best approach to finding partners that will share the cost burden of such a project? Dr. Arrington indicated that he hear the Board consensus and concerns and that he will begin working to answer or address the questions raised. He also invited the Board to please reach out to him if they think of any other pressing issues.

7. REPORTS

The following reports stood as written.

- A. NEIGHBORHOOD SEWERING
- B. LEGAL COUNSEL'S REPORT
- C. ENGINEER'S REPORTS
- D. BUSCH WILDLIFE SANCTUARY
- E. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

8. FUTURE BUSINESS

Dr. Arrington reviewed Future Business.

9. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Made by Mr. Boggie, Seconded by Mr. Rockoff,  
Passed Unanimously.

"That the Regular Meeting of November 17, 2022 adjourns at 8:21 PM."

  
BOARD CHAIRMAN

  
BOARD SECRETARY

  
RECORDING SECRETARY