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LOXAHATCHEE RIVER ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING - MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 17, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Baker called the Regular Meeting of September 17, 2026 to order at 7:00 PM.

2. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

A. ROLL CALL

The following Board Members were in attendance:

Mr. Baker
Mr. Rockoff
Dr. Rostock

Staff Members in attendance were Dr. Arrington, Mr. Dean, Mr. Howard, Mr. Pugsley, and Ms. Fraraccio. The consultants in attendance were Mr. Curtis Shenkman (via telephone) and Mr. Hunter Shenkman with Shenkman & Shenkman, P.A.

B. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 20, 2026 were presented for approval and the following motion was made:

"THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 20, 2026 as submitted."

MOTION: Made by Dr. Rostock Seconded by Mr. Rockoff
Passed Unanimously.

C. ADDITIONS & DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Dr. Arrington requested to move consideration of the Consent agenda to after the Regular Agenda because many items on the Consent Agenda assumed approval of the FY2027 Budget.

3. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

No public comments were received.

4. STATUS UPDATES

A. LOXAHATCHEE WATERSHED STATUS

Mr. Howard discussed the existing Loxahatchee River Minimum Flow and Water Levels (MFL) Rule and he reviewed recent discussions by South Florida Water Management District staff regarding the potential of eliminating the salinity criteria from the existing Loxahatchee River MFL Rule. Mr. Howard explained the importance of the salinity criteria within the Loxahatchee River MFL Rule.

B. LOXAHATCHEE RIVER DISTRICT DASHBOARD

Dr. Arrington reviewed the District Dashboard.

6. REGULAR AGENDA

A. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

B. Rule Chapter 31-13, Regulation of Sewer Use

Dr. Arrington discussed the draft revisions to the Grease Interceptor Exemption Criteria and reviewed the existing and draft versions. No Board action is requested at this time, however Board input to the process is valued.

C. Rule 31-10 Rates, Fees, & Charges

“THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD approve Rule Chapter 31-10 as revised, and with an effective date of September 21, 2026.”

MOTION: Made by Dr. Rostock, Seconded by Mr. Rockoff,
Passed Unanimously.

D. Fiscal Year 2027 Budget (Resolution 2026-06)

"THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD approve Resolution 2026-06 adopting the Loxahatchee River Environmental Control District’s annual budget for the 2027 Fiscal Year."

MOTION: Made by Mr. Rockoff, Seconded by Dr. Rostock,
Passed Unanimously.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Made by Dr. Rostock, Seconded by Mr. Rockoff
Passed unanimously.

"THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD approve the Consent Agenda of September 17, 2026 as presented."

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

A. 24-001-00131: Wastewater and IQ Water General Services Contract and Emergency On-call Repair Services – to approve contract renewal

"THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorize award of a third 1-year term contract for ITB #24-001-00131 Wastewater and I.Q. Water General Construction Services and Emergency / On-Call Repair Services to Hinterland Group, Inc. in an amount not to exceed $1,000,000 and to Felix Civil Construction, LLC in an amount not to exceed $1,000,000."

B. Lift Station 001 Gravity System Rehabilitation – Indiantown Road Gravity Sewer and Manhole Rehabilitation – to approve professional engineering services

"THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorize the Executive Director to enter into the Work Authorization dated September 2, 2026 with Mock-Roos Consulting Engineers in the amount of $71,120.00."

C. CIPP Gravity Sewer Main and Lateral Rehabilitation Bid Document – to approve professional engineering services

"THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorize the Executive Director to enter into the Work Authorization dated August 28, 2026 with Mock-Roos Consulting Engineers in the amount of $72,500.00."

D. Xylem Water Solutions USA Inc. – to approve annual open purchase order

"THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorize the Executive Director to execute an annual Open Purchase Order to Xylem Water Solutions USA Inc. at a total cost not to exceed $400,000 for new pumps, pump rebuilds, and related products, in accordance with the District Procurement Policy."

E. Customer Information System And Payment Services – to approve purchase order

"THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorizes the Executive Director to approve a not-to-exceed purchase order to Edmunds GovTech, Inc. for software services, and eCheck and credit/debit card payment transaction fees up to $82,000 for FY2027."

F. Printing & Mailing Services – to approve purchase order

"THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorizes the Executive Director to approve a $121,000 not-to-exceed purchase order to InfoSend, Inc. for printing, mailing, and postage for FY2027."

G. Biosolids Hauling (Merrell Bros, Inc.) – to approve annual purchase order

"THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorize the Executive Director to execute an annual purchase order to Merrell Bros., Inc. in accordance with the contract specifications and their bid dated August 31, 2023, for the offsite hauling of dewatered biosolids for Fiscal Year 2027 in an amount Not-to-Exceed $200,000.00"

H. Biosolids Processing (Solid Waste Authority) – to approve annual purchase order

"THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorize the Executive Director to execute an annual purchase order to Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County for the processing and disposal of biosolids at the Biosolids Processing Facility for Fiscal Year 2027 in accordance with the Interlocal Government Agreement for Biosolids Processing in an amount Not-to-Exceed $1,100,000.00."

I. Supply of Liquid Chlorine (Allied Universal Corporation) – to award contract

"THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorize the Executive Director to execute a purchase order to Allied Universal Corporation for the Supply of Liquid Chlorine, in accordance with District ITB No. 26-002-00151 for the period of October 1, 2026 through September 30, 2027, in an amount Not-to-Exceed $155,000.00."

J. Purchase of Odor Control Services (Evoqua) – to approve purchase order

"THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorize the Executive Director to execute a purchase order to Evoqua Water Technologies, Inc. for the continued supply of odor control equipment and services, in accordance with a "piggy-back" of Lee County contract RFP240129DJN for the period from October 1, 2026 through September 30, 2027, in an amount Not-to-Exceed $300,000.00."

K. Solids Dewatering Polymer (SNF Polydyne) - to approve annual purchase order

"THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorize the Executive Director to execute a purchase order to Polydyne, Inc. for the supply of cationic emulsion polymer, in accordance with a "piggy-back" of City of Tarpon Springs ITB No. 240098-B-AS for the period commencing on October 1, 2026 through September 30, 2027, in an amount Not-to-Exceed $100,000."

L. Annual Lawn and Landscape Maintenance Services (Terracon) – to award contract

"THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorize the Executive Director to execute an annual purchase order to Terracon Services, Inc. in accordance with the contract specifications and their bid dated August 30, 2024, for the annual landscape service for Fiscal Year 2027 in an amount Not-to-Exceed $75,599.00, as well as a contingency amount of $5,000.00."

M. Fuel Procurement (Palmdale Oil Company) - to approve annual purchase order

"THAT THE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD authorize the Executive Director to execute a purchase order to Palmdale Oil Company for the supply of bulk fuel, in accordance with a "piggy-back" of the City of Port St. Lucie ITB No. 20180128 in an amount Not-to-Exceed $160,000, for the fiscal year 2027."

N. Liability Insurance - to approve renewal

"That the District Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to accept and purchase FIA's renewal quote for Property, General Liability, Automobile Liability, and Physical Damage, for the policy period October 1, 2026 through September 30, 2027."

O. Workers Compensation Insurance – to approve renewal

"That the District Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to accept and purchase Preferred Governmental Insurance Trust's quote for Workers' Compensation for the policy period October 1, 2026 through September 30, 2027."

P. Audit Services Contract – to approve renewal period

"THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD approve the exercise of the three one-year option periods under the District's Audit Service Agreement with CBIZ CPAs P.C. for the fiscal years ending September 30, 2026, 2027, and 2028, and authorize the Executive Director to execute the Acknowledgment of Option Years Letter dated August 28, 2026."

Q. Fixed Asset Disposal - to approve disposal

Description	Serial Number	Condition	Estimated Value
Variable Frequency Drive	0413-16337A0004	Beyond Repair	$1,000
2 HP Barnes Pump	C1162874-1005	Beyond Repair	$50
2 HP Barnes Pump	C1459709-0210	Beyond Repair	$50
2 HP Barnes Pump	C1506297-0111	Beyond Repair	$50
2 HP Barnes Pump	C1790538-0716	Beyond Repair	$50
2 HP Barnes Pump	C741764-0300	Beyond Repair	$50
2 HP Barnes Pump	C779942-1100	Beyond Repair	$50
2 HP Barnes Pump	C955504-0403	Beyond Repair	$50
3 HP Flygt Pump	0060821	Beyond Repair	$50

2 HP Hydromatic Pump	G99581	Beyond Repair	$50
15 HP Flygt Pump	0180093	Beyond Repair	$50
10 HP Flygt Pump	8360033	Beyond Repair	$50

"THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD authorize the Executive Director to dispose of the items listed in the schedule above in accordance with the District's Disposal of Surplus Tangible Personal Property Policy."

R. Change Order to Current Contract - to approve modifications

No Change Orders were presented for Board consideration this month.

7. REPORTS

A. NEIGHBORHOOD SEWERING
B. LEGAL COUNSEL'S REPORT
C. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

8. FUTURE BUSINESS

Future Business stood as written.

9. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Chairman Baker reminded everyone about the Coastal Cleanup to be held on Saturday, September 19th from 9:00 am – 11:00 am at Coral Cove Park, Tequesta, FL 33469.

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Made by Mr. Rockoff, Seconded by Dr. Rostock,
Passed Unanimously.

"That the regular meeting of September 17, 2026 adjourns at 7:38 PM."

BOARD CHAIRMAN

BOARD SECRETARY

RECORDING SECRETARY