



IRL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This meeting is open to the public

Friday, August 5, 2022

9:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Sebastian City Hall, Council Chambers, 1225 Main Street, Sebastian, FL 32958

Masks are encouraged

The order of items appearing on the agenda is subject to change during the meeting and is at the discretion of the presiding officer. Anyone wishing to speak on any item is requested to complete a speaker's card.

- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance** (Curt Smith, Chair)
- 2. Agenda Revisions** (Curt Smith, Chair)
Note any known changes and inquire if any members have suggested revisions.
- 3. Resolutions, Recognition, Letters and Awards** (Curt Smith, Chair)
- 4. Public Comment**
- 5. Water Quality Reports**
 - a. Northern and Central Lagoon (Dr. Charles Jacoby, SJRWMD)
 - b. Southern Lagoon (Melanie Parker, SFWMD)
- 6. IRLNEP Management Conference Committee Reports**
 - a. Management Board Report (Tom Carey)
 - b. STEM Advisory Committee (Dr. Chuck Jacoby)
 - c. Citizens' Advisory Committee (Frank Catino)
- 7. Consent Agenda**
 - a. Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - b. Board of Directors Appointments to IRLNEP Management Conference:

- Dr. Aaron Adams, Bonefish and Tarpon Trust, to the STEM Advisory Committee.
- Dr. Hyun Jung Cho, Bethune-Cookman University, to the STEM Advisory Committee, replacing Dr. Ho.
- Melanie Parker, SFWMD, to the STEM Advisory Committee, replacing Jessica Frost.
- Marina Barrineau, FWC, to the STEM Advisory Committee and Management Board, replacing Hannah Hart.
- Terri Breeden, Brevard County Natural Resources Management Office, to the Management Board.

Requested Action: Approve Consent Agenda.

8. Old Business

- a. Funding Allocations FY 2023 Congressional “Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act” (2021) RFP (Daniel Kolodny)

Requested Action: Fund the top two identified proposals recommended by the Management Conference contingent and consistent with available funds and budgetary authority; and authorize staff to negotiate and enter into contracts with those applicants.

- b. FY 2023 BIL Work Plan (Daniel Kolodny)

Requested Action: Authorize staff to develop and submit the FY 2023 BIL Workplan, pursuant to EPA guidance.

9. New Business

- a. FY 2024 RFP categories and tentative funding allocation for FY 2024 budget (Daniel Kolodny)

Requested Action: Approve funding allocation for FY 2024 RFPs and authorize staff to develop and release competitive RFPs by November 2022.

- b. Addressing IRLNEP Community Relations, Inclusion and Diversity Expectations (Duane De Freese)

Staff will outline a strategy to secure consulting services to assist in providing internal workshops, create a Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (JEDI) task force, and develop strategies to purposefully and authentically address JEDI issues.

Requested Action: Direct staff to issue an RFQ to secure consulting services to internally and externally address inclusion, diversity, justice and equity issues; create a JEDI task force; and develop strategies to better serve underrepresented and underserved communities.

- c. NOAA Habitat Restoration Proposal (Duane De Freese)
Requested Action: Authorize staff to develop and submit a lagoonwide habitat restoration proposal focused on seagrasses and filter-feeders.
- d. FY 2022 Amended Budget (Daniel Kolodny)
Requested Action: Review and adopt the amended budget for FY 2022 by Resolution 2022-04, pursuant to Florida Statutes.
- e. FY 2023 Amended Budget (Daniel Kolodny)
Requested Action: Review and adopt the amended budget for FY 2023 by Resolution 2022-05, pursuant to Florida Statutes.
- f. FY 2023 – 2024 Legislative Priorities for IRL Council (Duane De Freese)
Requested Action: Authorize Executive Director to advance legislative priorities at state and federal levels.

10. IRLNEP Staff Reports:

- a. Communications Report (Kathy Hill)
- b. IRL Project Update (Daniel Kolodny)
- c. Legal Update (Glen Torcivia)
- d. Executive Director Report (Duane De Freese)

11. IRL Council Member Reports

12. IRL Council – Next Meeting Announcement (Curt Smith, Chair)

Next IRL Council Board of Directors Meeting will be held on:
Friday, November 18, 2022 from 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

13. Adjourn

NOTE: If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes (2014).

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