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# IRL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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**Friday, May 13, 2022**

**9:30 am – 12:30 pm**

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

***This meeting is open to the public***

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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. Introduction of IRL Council Board of Directors and Special Guests**  
(Curt Smith, Chair)
- 3. Agenda Revisions** (Curt Smith, Chair)  
Note any known changes and inquire if any members have suggested revisions.
- 4. Resolutions, Recognition, Letters and Awards** (Curt Smith, Chair)
- 5. Public Comment**
- 6. Water Quality Reports**
  - a. Northern and Central Lagoon (Dr. Chuck Jacoby, SJRWMD)
  - b. Southern Lagoon (Stacie Flood for Melanie Parker, SFWMD)
- 7. IRLNEP Management Conference Committee Reports**
  - a. Management Board Report (Tom Carey, Chair)
  - b. STEM Advisory Committee Report (Dr. Chuck Jacoby, Chair)
  - c. Citizens' Advisory Committee Report (Frank Catino, Chair)
- 8. Consent Agenda** (Curt Smith, Chair)
  - a. Approval of February 11, 2022, Board of Directors meeting minutes.
  - b. Board of Directors Appointments to IRLNEP Management Conference:
    - Appointment of Kyle Bartow, IRSC, to the STEM Advisory Committee
    - Appointment of Dale Ketcham, Space Florida, to the Management Board with Pete Eggert as alternate.

**Requested Action:** Approval of Consent Agenda.
- 9. Old Business**

None

## 10. New Business

- a. EPA 5-Year Program Evaluation (Duane De Freese)  
Duane De Freese to introduce EPA Program Evaluation (PE) Team for presentation of preliminary findings from PE Report and field visits followed by IRL Council Q&A.  
**Requested Action:** Motion to accept the preliminary findings of the USEPA PE Team. Instruct staff to address any remaining issues with EPA and share the final EPA letter with the Board and Management Conference at the August meetings.
- b. 2021 Independent Audit Report and Findings  
Introduction by Daniel Kolodny, presentation by Yvonne Clayborne, Carr, Riggs & Ingram CPAs and Advisors.  
**Requested Action:** Motion to accept the audit report.
- c. FY 2022 Small Grants (Kathy Hill)  
**Requested Actions:** Motion to accept IRLNEP Management Conference recommendations, approve the final ranked list of proposals, and fund the top proposals contingent and consistent with available funds and budgetary authority. Authorize staff to negotiate and enter into contract agreements with those applicants.
- d. Bipartisan Congressional Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Law (“BIL”) (Duane De Freese)  
Executive Director to present a strategy to integrate new BIL funding and allocations into the IRL Council 5-year budget with specific recommendations for Board actions.
  - i. FY 2022 BIL Funding (Duane De Freese)  
**Requested Action:** Review and adopt staff recommendations for FY 2022 BIL funding allocations. Authorize staff to develop and submit FY 2022 EPA BIL Workplan, revise FY 2022 budget as necessary, and revise IRLNEP FY 2022 business plan accordingly.
  - ii. FY 2022 - 2026 BIL Funding - Request for Qualifications (RFQ) (Duane De Freese)  
Identify qualified applicants ready and willing to build institutional and infrastructure capacity for seagrass restoration.  
**Requested Action:** Review and adopt RFQ recommended vendor list; authorize staff to negotiate and enter into service contracts with recommended vendors.
  - iii. FY 2023 - 2026 BIL Funding - Request for Proposals (RFP) for Water Quality and Habitat Restoration Projects (Daniel Kolodny)

**Requested Action:** Review and adopt RFP recommended project list; authorize staff to negotiate and enter into contracts with recommended applicants.

iv. FY 2022 Amended Budget (Daniel Kolodny)

**Requested Action:** Review and adopt the amended budget for FY 2022 by Resolution 2022-02, pursuant to Florida Statutes.

v. FY 2023 Final Budget (Daniel Kolodny)

**Requested Action:** Review and adopt the final budget for FY 2023 by Resolution 2022-03, pursuant to Florida Statutes

**11. IRLNEP Staff Reports**

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

**12. IRL Council Member Reports**

**13. Next Meeting** (Curt Smith, Chair)

Friday, August 5, 2022

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

**14. Adjourn**

**Informational reports provided in Board briefing package (No Board actions required)**

Financial Statements, IRLNEP active projects list and quarterly cash flow summary.

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