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# IRL COUNCIL

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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

*This meeting is open to the public*

**July 8, 2016**  
**9:30 AM**

Sebastian City Hall Complex, 1225 Main Street, Sebastian, FL 32958

*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** (Ed Fielding, Chairman)

**2. Agenda Revisions** (Ed Fielding, Chairman)

*Note any known changes and inquire if any members have suggested revisions.*

*Agenda revised to exclude 8C*

**3. Approval of Minutes** (Ed Fielding, Chairman)

Requested Action: Approve minutes from June 10, 2016 meeting.

*Minutes approved unanimously.*

**4. General Public Comment**

*No public comments*

**5. Indian River Lagoon Water Quality Update** (Deborah Drum, Dr. Chuck Jacoby)

**Deb:**

- Deborah Drum from Martin County gave an update of water quality in the southern portion of the IRL.
- Dr. Jacoby from SJRWMD gave an update of water quality in the northern portion of the IRL.

**6. IRL Water Quality – Emergency Declaration** (Chris Dzadoovsky, Ed Fielding)

No Action Required. IRL Council information and discussion only

The Board of Directors declared the need for an emergency meeting to work with staff in developing a letter to be presented to state and federal authorities that addresses the current crisis related to Lake Okeechobee discharges. That meeting will be held July 27 or July 28. Time and location to be determined.

**7. Presentation: IRL Data Sharing workshop** (Dr. Dennis Hanisak, FAU/Harbor Branch) “The Indian River Lagoon Observatory’s Connecting Users to IRL Data Initiative”

Dr. Dennis Hanisak gave a presentation on the outcome of the FAU/Harbor Branch workshop on Data sharing, including information about HBOI’s LOBOs water quality monitoring stations and how that data is being shared.

**8. Budget and Financial Report** (Frank Sakuma)

a. Monthly Finance Update

Frank Sakuma gave the Board of Directors and update on June, 2016 financials.

b. Budget modification request (Chris Dzadovsky)

Requested Action: Amend FY 2015 – 2016 budget to bring 2 projects, BMP’s for Spoil Island Shoreline Restoration (\$25,000) and Wesley’s Island Native Planting Project (\$15,000) into the current fiscal year in; and move \$40,000 in forecast available funds from Salaries and Benefits into Projects.

Budget modification was moved and accepted unanimously

c. Fiscal Year 2016 – 2017 (Excel Worksheet)

No Action Required. IRL Council information and discussion only  
Item was removed from discussion by the Chair.

**9. Management Conference Update** (Duane De Freese)

a. Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC)

Requested Action:

- i. IRL Council Board of Directors confirms members of the CAC; and,
- ii. IRL Council Board of Directors directs staff to maintain and expand the list of interested citizens participating in the CAC Community Alliance in each county and include them in all general announcements and other shared information.

Board of Directors confirmed CAC appointments unanimously.

- b. Management Board and Financial Advisory Subcommittee of the Management Board

Requested Action:

- i. IRL Council Board of Directors confirms additional members of the Management Board representing Space Coast and Treasure Coast Leagues of Cities and appoints members of the Financial Subcommittee of the Management Board.

Board of Directors confirmed additional appointments to the Management Board unanimously.

**10. RFP for Communication Services**

(Duane De Freese)

Requested action: Approve RFP release.

Board of Directors authorized staff to move forward with issuing the RFP for communications services.

**11. Strategic Relationships** (Duane De Freese)

- a. Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council

- i. Requested action: Request motion from IRL Council Board of Directors to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Treasure Coast Region Planning Council.

Motion was moved and accepted unanimously

**12. Staff Reports and General Board Comments**

**Staff Reports**

- Duane De Freese

Dr. De Freese briefed the Board of Directors on work in progress, including the tabling of the MOU establishing the Florida Estuaries alliance; the questionnaire being developed for county staff and city managers to address project lists; and the staff request for approval to develop and submit a grant proposal to NOAA for restoration funding

- Frank Sakuma
- Kathy Hill
- Carolyn Ansay

**Committee Reports**

- Management Board

## IRL Council Member Reports

### 13. Adjourn

#### **Next IRL Council Meeting**

Aug. 12, 2016, 9:30 a.m.

St. Lucie Commission Chambers, 2300 Virginia Avenue, 3rd Floor, Roger Poitras Building,  
Fort Pierce, FL 34982.

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