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# IRL COUNCIL MANAGEMENT BOARD

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## Minutes from the meeting of April 10, 2018

10:30 AM

*Up the Creek Farms, 3590 Valkaria Road, Grant-Valkaria, FL 32950*

### **Attendance:**

Anthony Catanese, Clay Henderson, Leesa Souto, Vanessa Bessey, Mike McCabe, Marty Smithson, Mark Crosley, Jeff Beal, Stu Glass, Bill Tredik, Bill Kerr, Chris Ferraro, Blair Engelbrecht, Tom Carey, Judy Orcutt, Barbara Lenczewski, Monte Falls, Kevin Shropshire, Laurilee Thompson, Layne Hamilton, Chris Hendricks, Doug Gibson, Dianne Hughes, George Jones, Kathy LaMartina, Bob Ulevich, Charles Vogt, Chuck Jacoby, Frank Sakuma, Kathy Hill

### **Agenda Item 1. Call to Order**

Bob Ulevich called the meeting to order and led those present in the pledge of allegiance.

### **Agenda Item 2. Agenda Revisions**

None.

### **Agenda Item 3. Minutes Approval**

Requested Action: Approval of minutes from meeting on January 9, 2018

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TOM CAREY, SECONDED BY DIANNE HUGHES TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 9, 2018 MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

### **Agenda Item 4. Introductions, Updates and New Member Welcome**

Members introduced themselves.

Chris Ferraro mentioned that this is her last official meeting, as she is retiring after 29 years with FDEP.

Judy Orcutt mentioned she brought additional copies of the Indian River Neighborhood Association publication about the IRL.

Barbara Lenczewski mention that FDEP's Coastal Office has begun a new effort for resilient coastlines with Whitney Gray as the lead.

Kevin Shropshire mentioned that City of Rockledge recently completed the Breeze Swept community's conversion from septic to sewer. Two property owners of 149 held out and did not convert, but everyone else did. Preliminary results show dramatic decreases in nitrogen in wells.

Layne Hamilton mentioned that the MINWR was busy repairing hurricane damage.

Mike McCabe mentioned the recent article by Dr. Peter Barille regarding water quality in the IRL and would like to discuss it further at the end of the meeting.

Bob Ulevich mentioned that Dr. Jim Sullivan would be replacing Dr. Anton Post from FAU-Harbor Branch on the Management Board. Also, that Jennifer DiMaio from EPA Region 4 would be joining the Board as a voting member.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DR. ANTHONY CATANESE, SECONDED BY CHRIS FERRARO TO RECOMMEND THAT THE IRL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVE DR. JIM SULLIVAN AND JENNIFER DIMAIO AS NEW MEMBERS OF THE MANAGEMENT BOARD. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### **Agenda Item 5. Public Comment**

None.

#### **Agenda Item 6. Committee Reports**

- a. STEM Committee (Chuck Jacoby) – No report
- b. Citizens' Advisory Committee (Frank Catino) – Kathy Hill briefed the Board on postponement of listening meetings until vetting of the CCMP actions can be done. She also mentioned that the IRLNEP had purchased an Audience Response System for purposes of vetting the CCMP. This system can be made available to members in

conducting their own meetings where audience polling might be needed.

- c. Financial Subcommittee (TBD) – Frank Sakuma updated members that Joel Zwemer had resigned as chair of the Finance Committee and was replaced by Stu Glass. Stu Glass briefed the Board that the Finance Committee reviewed the budget and business plan and recommend approval.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MARTIN SMITHSON, SECONDED BY DIANNE HUGHES, TO ACCEPT COMMITTEE REPORTS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### **Agenda Item 7. Presentation**

- a. IRL Health Assessment Methodology and Results, Dr. Leesa Souto, Executive Director, Marine Resources Council

Dr. Souto briefed the Board on the IRL Health Assessment and peer review process of vetting the data collected.

#### **Agenda Item 8. Old Business**

- a. Item CCMP Update

Frank Sakuma reviewed the CCMP info that was provided to the STEM and outlined the timeline for review of the draft document to the remainder of the Management Conference, with a goal of having a full draft out for agency and public review out after the July meetings.

Kathy Hill added that the next meeting will be a joint meeting with the STEM committee so that both committees can review together.

Requested Action: No motion requested. For discussion only

#### **Agenda Item 9. New Business**

Bob Ulevich opened discussions regarding the RFP review process and specifics of the ranking process. Members discussed and made suggestions for how the process could be revised and improved.

- a. RFP 2018-01 (Restoration Projects) Proposal Scores and Funding Recommendation (Frank Sakuma)

Requested Actions (By separate motions):

1. Motion to recommend IRL Council Board of Directors approval of the final ranked list of proposals;

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TOM CAREY, SECONDED BY CHRIS FERRARO, TO RECOMMEND THE IRL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVE THE FINAL RANKED PROPOSALS LIST.

CLAY HENDERSON AMENDED THE MOTION TO STRIKE THE TOMOKA STATE PARK PROJECT AS OUTSIDE THE IRL BOUNDARY AND MOVED TO TRANSFER THE \$37,000 TO THE MARINE DISCOVERY CENTER PROJECT.

TOM CAREY DID NOT ACCEPT THE AMENDMENT.

CLAY HENDERSON VOTED NO. ALL OTHERS VOTED YEA.

2. Motion to recommend IRL Council Board of Directors approval of funding for the top eight projects recommended by staff, contingent and consistent with Board of Directors approval of FY2018-2019 budget.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TOM CAREY, SECONDED BY CHRIS FERRARO, TO RECOMMEND THE IRL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVE OF FUNDING THE TOP EIGHT PROJECTS RECOMMENDED BY STAFF, CONTINGENT AND CONSISTENT WITH BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVAL OF THE FY 2018-2019 BUDGET. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- b. RFP 2018-02 (Science and Innovative Technologies Projects) Proposal Scores and Funding Recommendation (Frank Sakuma)

Requested Actions (By separate motions):

1. Motion to recommend IRL Council Board of Directors approval of the final ranked list of proposals;

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DIANNE HUGHES, SECONDED BY BILL KERR, TO RECOMMEND TO THE IRL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO APPROVE THE FINAL RANED LIST OF PROPOSALS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Motion to recommend IRL Council Board of Directors approval of funding for the top four projects recommended by staff, contingent and consistent with Board of Directors approval of FY2018-2019 budget.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DIANNE HUGHES, SECONDED BY DOUG GIBSON, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE IRL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVE OF FUNDING THE TOP FOUR PROJECTS RECOMMENDED BY STAFF, CONTINGENT AND CONSISTENT WITH BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVAL OF THE FY 2018 – 2019 BUDGET. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- c. RFP 2018-03 (Citizen Engagement and Education Projects) Proposal Scores and Funding Recommendation (Frank Sakuma)

Requested Actions (By separate motions):

1. Motion to recommend IRL Council Board of Directors approval of the final ranked list of proposals;

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CLAY HENDERSON, SECONDED BY BILL KERR, TO RECOMMEND THE IRL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVE OF THE FINAL RANKED LIST OF PROPOSALS.

Clay Henderson inquired about the top ranked project. It was displayed for his review.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Motion to recommend IRL Council Board of Directors approval of funding for the top three projects recommended by staff, contingent and consistent with Board of Directors approval of FY2018-2019 budget.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CLAY HENDERSON, SECONDED BY BILL TREDIK, TO RECOMMEND THE IRL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVE OF FUNDING THE TOP 3 PROJECTS RECOMMENDED BY STAFF CONTINGENT AND CONSISTENT WITH BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVAL OF FY 2018-2019 BUDGET

- d. RFP 2018-04 (Resilient Coastal Communities Planning Project) Proposal Scores and Funding Recommendation (Frank Sakuma)

Requested Actions (By separate motions):

1. Motion to recommend IRL Council Board of Directors approval of the final ranked list of proposals;

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TOM CAREY, SECONDED BY KEVIN SHROPSHIRE, TO RECOMMEND THE IRL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVE OF THE FINAL RANKED LIST OF PROPOSALS. CLAY HENDERSON VOTED PRESENT. ALL OTHERS VOTED YEA.

2. Motion to recommend IRL Council Board of Directors approval of funding for the top project recommended by staff, contingent and consistent with Board of Directors approval of FY2018-2019 budget.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TOM CAREY, SECONDED BY DIANNE HUGHES, TO RECOMMEND THE IRL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVE OF FUNDING THE TOP PROJECT RECOMMENDED BY STAFF CONTINGENT AND CONSISTENT WITH BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVAL OF FY 2018-2019 BUDGET. CLAY HENDERSON VOTED PRESENT. ALL OTHERS VOTED YEA.

- e. FY 2018-2019 Budget Recommendation (Frank Sakuma)

Frank Sakuma reviewed the FY 2018-2019 final budget that includes the projects just voted upon and operational costs of the IRLNEP.

Requested Action:

1. Motion to recommend approval of Resolution 2018-02 adopting the budget for FY 2018-2019 by the IRL Council Board of Directors.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DOUG GIBSON, SECONDED BY VANESSA BESSEY, TO RECOMMEND THE IRL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVE THE FY 2018-2019 FINAL BUDGET. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- f. FY 2018-2019 Business Plan (Duane De Freese)

Frank Sakuma reviewed the FY 2018-2019 Business Plan that gives detailed outputs and outcomes for all projects in the FY 2018-2019 budget.

Requested Actions (By separate motions):

1. Motion to recommend IRL Council Board of Directors approval of the IRLNEP Business Plan for FY 2018-2019.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY STU GLASS, SECONDED BY LAURILEE THOMPSON, TO RECOMMEND THE IRL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVE THE IRLNEP BUSINESS PLAN FOR FY 2018-2019. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Motion to recommend IRL Council Board of Directors authorize staff to submit the FY 2018-2019 EPA Work Plan Proposal on or before the June 1, 2018 EPA deadline.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY DOUG GIBSON, SECONDED BY MARK CROSLY, TO RECOMMEND THE IRL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS AUTHORIZE STAFF TO SUBMIT THE FY 2018-2019 EPA WORK PLAN PROPOSAL ON OR BEFORE THE JUNE 1, 2018 EPA DEADLINE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### **Agenda Item 10. IRLNEP Executive Director Report**

- a. Executive Director Report (Duane De Freese)  
No report.

Requested Action: No motion required. Information only.

#### **Agenda Item 11. Final Comments**

Bob Ulevich announced the Biosolids Symposium on June 8 at Indian River State College in Stuart.

Mike McCabe brought up the Peter Barille article on water quality and sewage seepage. He suggested the paper be shared with the Board and suggested the water control district is looking at ways to perhaps line canals to prevent seepage, or the use of bio balls to take up nutrients.

Kathy Hill announced the next Management Board meeting is a joint meeting with the STEM committee on July 10. STEM meets again on May 8 and CAC meets on May 18.

Bob Ulevich stated that he wants Management Board meetings rotated around the watershed. Kevin Shropshire addressed that saying he appreciated the central location.

Mike McCabe mentioned the nice article in Florida Today about Laurilee Thompson.

Clay Henderson requested that IRL conditions be addressed at each meeting. Chuck Jacoby provided a brief update, saying Banana River is in bloom with chlorophyll levels over 100 mg/L; cell counts over 4 million cells/ml – denser than 2016 brown tide that led to the fish kill. Teleconferences are ongoing in case of a fish kill. Brevard is prepared with dumpsters to be deployed, fish collections, etc. DO levels have been low over some evenings, so this is worrisome. Some low levels of fish kills have been reported, but not widespread so far.

**Agenda Item 12. Adjourn**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MIKE MCCABE, SECONDED BY VANESSA BESSEY, TO ADJOURN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.