

BEACH & SHORE PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Indian River County (IRC) Beach and Shore Preservation Advisory Committee (Beach) met at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, February 24, 2014, in the County Administration Building, Building B, 1800 27th Street, Vero Beach, Florida. You may hear an audio of the meeting; review the agenda and the minutes on the IRC website - www.ircgov.com/Boards/BSPC/2014.

Present were: Chairman **Christian Hendricks**, **Bob Anderson**, **Mark Tripson**, **William "Tuck" Ferrell**, and **Francisco San Miguel**, Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Appointees; Councilmember **Amelia Graves**, City of Vero Beach (COVB) Appointee; **Joe Connors**, Town of Orchid Appointee; and Councilman **Joel Tyson**, City of Fellsmere Appointee.

Absent were: Vice Chairman **David Barney**, BCC Appointee; and Councilman **Tom Cadden**, Town of Indian River Shores Appointee (excused); Councilmember **Richard Gillmor**, City of Sebastian Appointee (unexcused).

Also present were IRC staff: Commissioner Liaison **Tim Zorc**, District 3 (arrived at 3:29 p.m.); **Keith McCully** and **Alexis Thomas**, Stormwater Engineers; **James Gray**, Coastal Engineer; and **Misty L. Pursel**, Commissioner Assistant, Districts 1 & 5.

Others present were: **Gabrielle Guinn**, Student, Indian River Charter High School; **Marty Smithson**, Sebastian Inlet District Commission; **Dave Swigler**, Coastal Planning & Engineering; **Paul Hart**, Disney Resort; **Louise Schmitt**, Sea Oaks; **Steve Boehning**, Coastal Waterways and **Lee Cockey**, Interested Party.

Call to Order

Chairman Hendricks called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. and introduced the newest member, **Francisco San Miguel**, BCC Appointee to the committee.

Approval of Minutes from January 27, 2014 - Action Required

ON MOTION BY Mr. Anderson, SECONDED BY Councilman Tyson, the members voted unanimously (7-0) to approve the minutes of January 27, 2014 as presented.

Councilwoman Graves arrived at 3:04 p.m.

Presentation on County Stormwater Pollution Control projects – Keith McCully, Stormwater Engineer

Mr. Gray introduced Keith McCully, Stormwater Engineer, to the Committee. Mr. McCully summarized a PowerPoint presentation entitled, “Indian River County’s PC Main Screening System and Egret Marsh Stormwater Park”. A copy of the presentation is on file in the Commission Office.

Coastal Engineering Division Updates - James Gray, IRC Coastal Engineer

Mr. Gray provided an updated report on Sector 3 Beach Restoration Repair Project, the Beach Preservation Plan (BPP) update, Sector 3 Beach Restoration – Permit Required Reef Mitigation and the Fiscal Year 2014/15 Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Beach Funding Assistance – Legislative Update. A copy of the updated report is on file in the Commission Office.

Mr. Gray reiterated it was a good time to talk to our legislative representatives about Indian River County, specifically, the Sector 3 project and reimbursement for the \$6.7 Million due to the County. He offered to provide talking points to supporting the reimbursement issue for Indian River County via letters of support from the Committee to legislative representatives.

Mr. Ferrell offered to put together a list of dates and times committees/meetings were taking place in Tallahassee next month.

Mr. Gray mentioned at the FSBPA Conference on February 12 through February 14, 2014, two major compliments were received from Florida Department of Environmental Protection staff specific to the Beach Program.

Mr. Gray provided information concerning the initiation of a program; to offer sea oat plants for purchase possibly through a non-profit such as Keep Indian River Beautiful (KIRB); similar to what had been accomplished in Brevard County in attempts to protect and maintain the dunes.

ON MOTION BY Mr. Anderson, SECONDED BY Councilman Tyson, the members voted unanimously (8-0) to support the initiation of a educational program and sale of sea oat plants for the beautification of the beaches.

Update from the Sebastian Inlet District Commission (the District)

Mr. Marty Smithson reported the District was awaiting the arrival of the dredge from Hilton Head, South Carolina, expected to arrive on February 15, 2014, which would provide for sand placement on the beach.

Status of County Beach Parks

Mr. Gray reported all parks were fully open and operational. He reminded the Committee Members Sea Turtles' nesting session began on March 1, 2014 through October 31, 2014.

Committee Members Matters

There was none.

Commissioner's Matters

There was none.

Chairman's Matters

There was none.

Other Business

There was none.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.