

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JUPITER INLET DISTRICT
MINUTES
December 14, 2022**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

George Gentile, Chairman
Thomas Howard, Vice Chairman
Michael Martinez
Gail Whipple

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

James H. Davis, Secretary/Treasurer

OTHERS PRESENT

Joseph B. Chaison, Executive Director
William R. H. Broome, Attorney
Ken Craig, PE, Taylor Engineering
Cami Cunningham, Administrative Assistant

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Richard Pinsky, Public Policy Director- Akerman LLP

1. Call to Order

Chair Gentile called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

2. Comments from Public

No comments from the public.

3. Approval of Minutes

- **November 30th, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

Commissioner Whipple noted several grammatical corrections.

Chair Gentile entertained a **MOTION to approve the November 30th, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes as amended**; Vice-Chair Howard so **MOVED to approve the Minutes as**

amended; Commissioner Whipple **SECONDED**. There being no further discussion, **the MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

4. Approval of Bills

- **Submission of November Bills:**

Chairman Gentile entertained a **MOTION to approve the November Bills and the additional Bills as presented.** Commissioner Whipple **so MOVED;** Vice-Chair Howard **SECONDED**. There being no further discussion, **the MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

- **Submission of Payroll, Utility Bills and Health Insurance Invoice for December:**

Chair Gentile entertained a **MOTION to approve the Utility Bills and Health Insurance Invoice for December.** Vice-Chair Howard **so MOVED;** Commissioner Whipple **SECONDED**. There being no further discussion, **the MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

5. Treasurer's Report

- **Approval of November 2022 Treasurer's Report**

Chair Gentile entertained a **MOTION to approve the November 2022 Treasurer Report.** Vice-Chair Howard **so MOVED;** Commissioner Whipple **SECONDED**. There being no further discussion, **the MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

6. Legislative Update

Mr. Broome stated following the Board's request to rewrite certain sections of the charter, that he, Mr. Chaison & Ms. Cunningham worked on the drafted Bill; and with the advisement of Mr. Pinsky revised the charter.

Vice-Chair Howard asked if there was anything that Mr. Pinsky saw in the revision that would decrease the chances of the bill being passed.

Mr. Pinsky stated that two things jumped out to him; the millage rate and eminent domain. Mr. Pinsky recommended lowering the maximum millage rate to 1.5 and removing 'whether or not in district boundaries' from the eminent domain clause. The Board agreed to both recommendations and stated their appreciation for the work that went into these changes.

Chair Gentile entertained a **MOTION to approve the proposed Local Bill as submitted with the noted changes, including the authority for the Board & staff to make changes as necessary.** Commissioner Martinez so **MOVED**; Commissioner Whipple **SECONDED**. There being no further discussion, **the MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

Mr. Pinsky also stated that the Local Delegation Meeting is scheduled for January 12th, 2023. He explained that the District will have to formally submit the bill to the delegation at this meeting and will need an unanimous vote to move the bill forward.

7. Executive Director's Report

Loxahatchee River Railroad Bridge – Enhanced Clearance Span:

Mr. Chaison stated that the District is coordinating the confirmation of elevations and bathymetry of the Enhanced Clearance Span with Brightline and Taylor Engineering.

2023 Sand Trap Dredging:

The most recent Sand Trap survey was completed on December 12, 2022. Mr. Chaison stated that the District does not have the formal report yet, but the surveyor said that the volume increased from 37,000 cy to 57,000 cy.

500 North Delaware (Jones Creek Park) Property:

Mr. Chaison informed the Board that the contractor hired by the Town of Jupiter has begun exotic vegetation treatment.

Leadership Palm Beach GROW Program:

Leadership Palm Beach has requested to include the District's Living Shoreline Project in its Leadership GROW Environmental Day on January 12th. Mr. Chaison stated that this was a very successful and positive event last year. The Board agreed and is pleased to participate again this year.

Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse and Museum:

The Loxahatchee River Historical Museum has an event, Family Adventure Day, on January 21st, 2023. They asked if the District would like to participate and highlight the Living Shoreline. Mr. Chaison said he would be glad to contribute and asked if any Commissioners would be interested. Chairman Gentile recommended Vice-Chair Howard, as he was very involved in the Shoreline Project.

8. Engineer's Report

General Engineering

Jetty Observation

Mr. Craig performed the Jetty Observations on December 14th and noted a significant amount of sand along the inside of the North Jetty and noted that this occurs occasionally during this time of year.

Mr. Craig said that they do not recommend any changes to the design of the North Jetty railing, the foundation of the railing is still intact, the welding of the railing is what failed. Taylor Engineering recommends replacing the railing with no design changes.

Chairman Gentile entertained a **MOTION to authorize repair of the north jetty railing, with staff confirming estimate with the Chair.** Commissioner Martinez so **MOVED**; Commissioner Whipple **SECONDED**. There being no further discussion, **the MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

Loxahatchee River Mile 6 Gap Closure and Oxbow Restoration Maintenance:

Mr. Craig stated that there has been no change in the status of the application.

Jupiter Inlet Jetties Restoration:

Mr. Craig specified there would be a more detailed update at the January Board Meeting.

Jupiter Inlet Sand Trap Dredging 2023:

Mr. Craig submitted a proposal for engineering construction administration for the 2023 Sand Trap Dredging Project, and noted no changes since the 2022 proposal.

Vice-Chair Howard inquired if the time projected in the proposal was an accurate estimate, based off last year's work. Mr. Craig stated that the estimate accurately reflects the work put in. Chair Gentile entertained a **MOTION to accept the 2023 Sand Trap Dredging Proposal.** Vice-Chair Howard so **MOVED**; Commissioner Martinez **SECONDED**. There being no further discussion, **the MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

Sediment Study 2023:

Mr. Craig presented a proposal for the Jupiter Inlet Coastal Sediment Budget update. Mr. Chaison also stated that he confirmed with the State of Florida that this study will qualify for 50% cost sharing. Chair Gentile entertained a **MOTION to approve the contract with Taylor Engineering for the Sediment Sand Study.** Commissioner Martinez so **MOVED**; Commissioner Whipple **SECONDED**. There being no further discussion, **the MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

9. Legal Report

Mr. Broome had nothing to add.

10. Unfinished Business

Discussed legislative update previously.

11. New Business

None.

12. Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Whipple

Commissioner Whipple reminded staff of Oath of Office dues and Bonds that will be needed for the January Regular Board Meeting.

Commissioner Martinez

Commissioner Martinez wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Vice Chairman Howard

None.

Treasurer Davis

None.

Chair Gentile

Chair Gentile wished everyone a great Christmas and Holiday

13. Next Meeting Date(s)

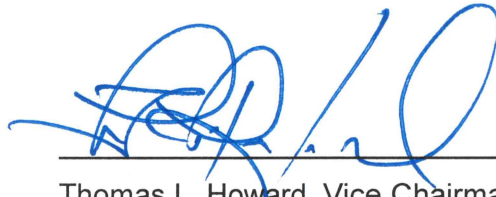
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14. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Commission, Chairman Gentile called for a **MOTION to Adjourn**. Commissioner Whipple so **MOVED**; Commissioner Martinez **SECONDED**. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**. The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM.



George G. Gentile, Chairman



Thomas L. Howard, Vice Chairman