

# Loxahatchee River Preservation Initiative www.lrpi.us Meeting Minutes

August 7, 2023, 12:00 PM

Town of Jupiter Utilities Field Office 3133 Washington Street Jupiter, FL 33458

Chair, Deb Drum, called the meeting to order at 12:07 PM.

### 1. Attendance

### Committee membership list

Deb Drum, Chair (Palm Beach County) – *Present*John Maehl, Vice Chair (Martin County) – *Present*Marjorie Craig, Secretary (Village of Tequesta) – *Present*Albrey Arrington (Loxahatchee River District) – *Present*Amanda Barnes (Town of Jupiter) – *Present*Mike Dillon (SIRWCD) – *Present*Patricia Magrogan (PBC Landowner Representative) – *Present*Jim Davis (Jupiter Inlet District) – *Present*John Lakich (Jonathan Dickinson State Park, division of FDEP) – *Present*Chad Kennedy (FDEP) – *Absent*John Melson (Martin County Landowner Representative) – *Present*Seat Open – (SFWMD)

### 2. Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

### 3. Old Business

### A. Review and approval of June 12, 2023, Initiative meeting minutes

Pat Magrogan made a motion to approve the June 12, 2023, meeting minutes and Jim Davis seconded the motion. The motion passed with unanimous support.

### 4. New Business

### A. FY24 Legislative Request/ House Appropriations Request Update

 Kasey Denny, the Director of Legislative Affairs for Palm Beach County was introduced and gave a summary of the legislative session. All of the FY24 LRPI projects were funded due to extensive efforts by PBC legislative support staff and advocates.

### B. Application Presentations by Project Sponsors – FY25 LRPI Legislative Requests

Presentations were made by project sponsors to the LRPI board

1. <u>Project</u>: Eastern Flow Way of Kitching Creek Project

**Sponsor**: Martin County Board of County of Commissioners

Requested Grant: \$500,000 Local Match: \$500,000

Total Project Cost: \$1,000,000

2. Project: Loxa-Lucie Headwaters Initiative Exotic Invasive Species

Eradication

<u>Sponsor</u>: The Conservation Fund <u>Requested Grant</u>: \$293,662

Proposed Local Match: \$358,920 (including cash and in-kind labor)

Total Project: \$652,582

3. Project: Daniels Way Water Quality Improvements

Sponsor: Town of Jupiter Requested Grant: \$94,543 Local Match: \$94,453

Total Project Cost: \$189,086

4. Project: Loxahatchee Slough Habitat Restoration Phase II

Sponsor: Palm Beach County Department of Environmental Resources

Management (DERM)
Requested Grant: \$180,000
Local Match: \$180,000
Total Project Cost: \$360,000

### C. Committee Project Ranking

The committee independently ranked the projects and then discussed the projects. Jenny reviewed the rankings and provided the following projects ranked for funding:

- 1. Daniel's Way Water Quality Improvements Town of Jupiter
- 2. Eastern Flow Way of Kitching Creek Project Martin County BoCC
- 3. Loxahatchee Slough Habitat Restoration Phase II Palm Beach County DERM

The Loxa-Lucie Headwaters Initiative Exotic Invasive Species Eradication was not selected for funding.

Albrey Arrington made a motion to approve the projects as ranked and Jim Davis seconded the motion. The motion passed with unanimous support.

### **D.** Agency Updates

**Palm Beach County – Deb Drum -** August 19<sup>th</sup> - Twisted Trunk Brewery – event to benefit Palm Beach County's Natural Areas – from 7PM – 9PM

### **E.** Other Business

- Jenny Smith will fill the seat vacancy for SFWMD and introduced Jennifer Aiton as the new contact with SFWMD to take over the administrative duties. Pat Magrogan made a motion to approve and Marjorie Craig seconded the motion. The motion passed with unanimous support.
- Next LRPI meeting will be held on October 16, 2023

### 5. Public Comment

A. None

### 6. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 1:33 PM

### **Remaining 2023 Initiative Meeting Schedule:**

• October 16: General Meeting

## Loxahatchee River Preservation Initiative (LRPI) 2024 Legislative Appropriations Request

Rank	Project Name	Funding	Local Sponsor	Local Match	Project Total
Order		Request		Funds	Cost
1	Daniels Way Water Quality Improvements	\$94,543	Town of Jupiter	\$94,543	\$189,086
2	Eastern Flow Way of Kitching Creek	\$500,000	Martin County	\$500,000	\$1,000,000
3	Loxahatchee Slough Habitat Restoration Phase II	\$180,000	Palm Beach County	\$180,000	\$360,000
	Totals	\$774, 543		\$774,543	\$1,549,086

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