

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

July 06, 2020, 12:00 p.m.

#### Via WebEx

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#### Attendance

The meeting began with a role call by Nestor Garrido. Refer to attached attendance sheet.

#### II. Public Comment

There were no public comments, other than attendance and mentioning of potential comments later in the meeting.

## III. Old / New Business

#### A. Old Business

1. Review and approval of the June 15, 2020 meeting minutes
A motion to approve the June 15, 2020 minutes was offered by Pat Magrogan and seconded by
Pat Walker; the minutes were approved unanimously.

# 2. Discuss 2020 legislative funding

The following itemized project funding was included within the proposed state budget:

- Pennock Industrial Park Stormwater Improvement / Town of Jupiter = \$150,000 (requested \$231,855)
- 2. Cypress Creek Floodplain Restoration Project Phase 1 / Martin County = **\$100,000** (requested \$125,000)
- 3. Section 7 Drainage Improvements / South Indian River Water Control District (SIRWCD) = \$150,000 (requested \$321,500)
- 4. Seminole Avenue Stormwater Basin / Town of Jupiter = \$250,000 (requested \$870,000)
- 5. Sims Creek Preserve Hydrologic Restoration / Town of Jupiter = **\$150,000** (requested \$350,000)

**Total Requested = \$1,898,355 / Total Appropriated = \$800,000** 

Deb Drum, Palm Beach County ERM, relayed the unfortunate news that the Governor vetoed all LRPI funding included within the proposed state budget as referenced above, due to state budget concerns related to COVID-19.

### B. New Business

1. Confirmation of project funding allocation See above regarding 2020 legislative funding.

# 2. Letter of appreciation

Don Donaldson, Martin County, motioned to the committee that a letter of appreciation to the legislative delegation still be presented for their efforts to support the LRPI projects for funding. Don Donaldson agreed to provide the draft letter to Nestor Garrido for distribution to the committee members for review and feedback. Committee members received direction to provide comments or suggested edits through email to Nestor no later than Friday, July 10, 2020. Compiled suggestions will go to the Chair, for final review, signature, and distribution. A motion to proceed as noted was offered by Pat Walker and seconded by Deb Drum.

# 3. Agency Update

See B.4. Other Business.

#### 4. Other Business

John Lakich, Jonathan Dickinson State Park, commented on recent major rainfall events, reporting on the status of impacts and future work to mitigate concerns. Albrey offered a suggestion for Jonathan Dickinson staff to follow-up with the coordinating council to potentially schedule a field trip to the area of impact.

Steve Weagle, Public at Large, offered to assist with coverage opportunities that others may suggest in WPTV's "Protecting Paradise" series.

Deb Drum commented on a new facility at the Loxahatchee open to the public offering a pier, observation tower, and more.

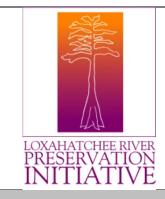
Adjourn – A motion was offered by Don Donaldson, and seconded by Deb Drum to adjourn the meeting at 12:23 pm.

#### **2020 Initiative Meeting Schedule**

August 03: FY21 Funding Request Applications due

August 10: Presentation of FY21 projects and committee ranking

October 12: General Meeting



## **SIGN-IN SHEET**

# July 6, 2020

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Albrey Arrington Loxahatchee River
Deborah Drum Palm Beach Co
Don Donaldson Martin Co

Pat Walker Jupiter Inlet District

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Jean Matthews Palm Beach Co
Mike Dillon SIRWCD
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