

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JUPITER INLET DISTRICT
MINUTES
June 9, 2021**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

George Gentile, Chairman
Thomas Howard, Vice Chairman
Gail Whipple, Secretary/Treasurer
Michael Martinez
James Davis

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

None

OTHERS PRESENT

Joseph B. Chaison, Executive Director
William H. Broome, Attorney
Kenneth Craig, PE, Taylor Engineering
Sonja Kezber, Administrative Assistant

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

None

1. Call to Order

Chair Gentile called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
Pledge of Allegiance

2. Comments from Public

None.

3. Approval of Minutes

- **May 12, 2021 – Regular Meeting Minutes**

Chair Gentile entertained a **MOTION to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 12, 2021.** Commissioner Whipple noted some corrections to her commissioner comments in the

minutes as presented. Commissioner Whipple so **MOVED to approve as amended**; Commissioner Howard **SECONDED**. Chair Gentile called for further discussion; there being none, the **MOTION CARRIED unanimously**.

4. Submission of Bills

- **Submission of June Bills** - Chair Gentile called for a **MOTION to approve the Submission of Bills and the additional Bills as presented**. Commissioner Whipple so **MOVED**; Commissioner Howard **SECONDED**. There being no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED unanimously**.
- **Payroll, Utility Bills and Health Insurance Invoice for July** - Chair Gentile called for a **MOTION to approve the Payroll, Utility Bills and Health Insurance Invoice for July** -Commissioner Davis so **MOVED**; Commissioner Whipple **SECONDED**. There being no further discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED unanimously**.

5. Treasurer's Report

A. Approval of May 2021 Treasurer's Report

Staff recommended approval. Chair Gentile entertained a **MOTION to approve the May 2021 Treasurer's Report**. Commissioner Whipple so **MOVED**; Commissioner Davis **SECONDED**. Chair Gentile called for discussion; there being none, the **MOTION CARRIED unanimously**.

Mr. Chaison asked if Item #10 could be moved up on the Agenda and all agreed.

Dr. Kabiling, of Taylor Engineering, presented the results of the first phase of the Florida Inland Navigation District's (FIND) P-4 Shoaling Reduction Study. This study involved the development of a numerical model to assess potential channel modifications to the Intracoastal Waterway sections adjacent to the inlet. These modifications were evaluated for economic optimization of FIND's channel maintenance program and recommended options suitable for further analysis. The Board thanked Dr. Kabiling and encouraged him and Taylor Engineering to ensure that JID's interests, as well as the ecology of the Loxahatchee River, receive equal consideration to FIND's economic optimization as the investigation proceeds.

6. Executive Director's Report

Sand Trap Dredging:

Mr. Chaison summed up the sand dredging project:

- Dredging was completed on May 12th
- Demobilization from the beach was accomplished on May 14th
- A letter of appreciation was sent to Loggerhead Marinelifelife Center
- Our dredger is resolving minor dock damages that occurred during demobilization of the pipeline

Specific project details will be covered in the Engineer's Report.

AustinBlu Foundation Statue Installation:

Mr. Chaison reported that the helical piling installation and concrete pour are scheduled for June 8th and 9th. Taylor Engineering will be on site to observe. AustinBlu Foundation is planning the dedication ceremony to coincide with the July 24th anniversary.

Jupiter Inlet District (JID) Boat Tour of Loxahatchee River and Inlet:

Mr. Chaison reported that plans are in place for the June 16th JID projects boat tour. Interest is high and the tour has been very well received by our governmental partner invitees. Twenty-four total passengers are expected.

Loxahatchee River Bridges:

Mr. Chaison gave an update on the railroad bridge and US 1 bridge replacement projects:

Railroad Bridge

Significant equipment is in place, numerous barges and cranes are on site. A large 'catamaran barge' and crane will be moved into place for driving pilings starting in early July. The bascule span fabrication is near completion, see attached pictures. The installation of that section will cause disruption to boat traffic. We expect to coordinate closely on this to help minimize the disruption and inform all interested parties.

US-1 Bridge Replacement

The results of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) solicitation for this project is expected to be posted on June 9.

Taylor Property:

Mr. Chaison stated that language for the Interlocal Agreement between the JID and the Town of Jupiter is being developed mutually with staff and legal from both parties.

Mr. Chaison noted that additional items had occurred after the writing of his report:

- State of Florida Beach and Inlet Funding had been approved. The sediment budget and the management plan update should be completed in order to improve our chances of funding in the future.

- The quarterly marker inspection had been completed and only 1 buoy was missing.
- Our annual audit had been completed and Terry Morton will be presenting his findings at the August meeting.
- Ms. Kezber has compiled a list of past commissioners for our 100th year anniversary celebration.

7. Engineer's Report

General Engineering

Jetty Observation

Mr. Craig reported that he performed the monthly jetty condition assessment and did not find any significant changes from the prior assessment.

Mr. Craig reported that he was in attendance for the foundation work for the commemorative statue at the inlet to observe the foundation installation.

Jupiter Inlet Sand Trap

Mr. Craig reported that dredging is complete. The dredging contractor finished pumping on May 11, 2021, and fully demobilized from the beach on May 14, 2021. Submission of the contractor's pay application #2 had been received and approved for payment. The only remaining task is to send the closeout report to FDEP which Taylor Engineering will do once the final volume has been determined.

Mr. Craig also stated that during the upcoming summer months, Taylor Engineering anticipates submitting a permit modification request that reestablishes the full Jupiter/Carlin beach fill template as the authorized disposal area. This will require diver review of several small areas offshore of the fill template to determine the presence or absence of endangered corals.

Loxahatchee River Mile 6 Gap Closure and Oxbow Restoration Maintenance

Mr. Craig reported that Taylor Engineering submitted the state and federal environmental permit applications to the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The SFWMD issued a request for additional information (RAI) on March 19, 2021.

Taylor Engineering collected additional field data at the project site on May 6, 2021, and responded to the SFWMD RAI on May 12, 2021.

Mr. Chaison had tasked Lidberg Land Surveying to collect additional bathymetric survey data at the two previously constructed oxbow restoration projects upstream of the current project as well as near the Moonshine Creek project area. Mr. Chaison reported that Terraquatic Survey had been given approval to proceed with the requested work. Mr. Craig stated that based on the

results of the survey, Taylor Engineering will evaluate the need for maintenance at the previously constructed oxbow restoration project sites. Any necessary maintenance will be added to the current project permitting effort as a modification or submitted under a separate permit authorization request.

AAF In-Water Permitting

Mr. Craig stated that Taylor Engineering remains available to coordinate with Brightline/All Aboard Florida as needed.

Living Shoreline Project

Mr. Craig reported that project construction is currently underway. The contractor (Ferreira Construction) has finished construction of the (11) breakwaters at the site. The Contractor is currently awaiting mobilization of the crane to start pier construction. Taylor Engineering continues to actively coordinate with the contractor during construction. Taylor Engineering completed a site visit on May 13, 2021, and also coordinated and led the second onsite project progress meeting on May 20, 2021. Pier construction is expected to commence on or about June 9, 2021.

100-Year Boat Tour Celebration

Mr. Craig stated that Taylor Engineering is preparing project-related graphics for use during the June 16th boat tour.

8. Legal Report

None.

9. Unfinished Business

None.

10. New Business

See Notes Above.

11. Commissioner Reports/Remarks

Commissioner Martinez

Commissioner Martinez noted that he might be out of town for the Loxahatchee River Preservation Initiative (LRPI) meeting on Monday and asked if Commissioner Davis could stand in as the alternate. Commissioner Davis agreed.

Commissioner Howard

None.

Commissioner Whipple

None.

Commissioner Davis

None.

Commissioner Gentile

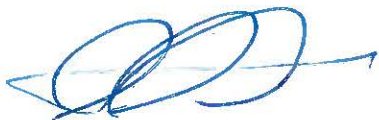
Chair Gentile reported that the County is objecting to the revised Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) flood elevations.

12. Next Meeting Date(s)


Regular Meeting – July 14, 2021

13. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Commission, Chair Gentile called for a **MOTION to Adjourn**. Commissioner Davis so **MOVED**; Commissioner Martinez **SECONDED**. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**. The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 PM.



George G. Gentile, Chairman



Thomas L. Howard, Vice Chairman