

Palm Beach County

Water Resources Task Force (WRTF)

October 19, 2023

1:30 PM

Vista Center, Room VC-1W-47 (1st Floor)

2300 North Jog Road, West Palm Beach, Florida 33411

Meeting Minutes

Water Resources Task Force Members				
<u>Seat ID</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Organization</u>
1	Monica Mayotte	City of Boca Raton	Vacant	City elected official
2	Robert Shorr	Town of Loxahatchee Groves	Vacant	City elected official
3	Chip Block (Chair)	Town of Jupiter Inlet Colony	Vacant	City elected official
4	DD Halpern	Town of Juno Beach	Vacant	City elected official
5	Karen Lythgoe	Town of Lantana	Vacant	City elected official
6		Vacant	Vacant	City elected official
7	Gregg Weiss	Palm Beach County Mayor	Vacant	Palm Beach County Commissioner
8	Poonam Kalkat	City of Boynton Beach	Julie Parham	Water/Wastewater Provider Official
9	Tommy Strowd	Lake Worth Drainage District	Vacant	Lake Worth Drainage District
10	Vacant		Vacant	Drainage/Water Control District elected official
11	Jay Steinle	South Florida Water Management District	Mark Elsner	South Florida Water Management District
12	Rachelle Litt (Vice Chair)	Former Council Member City of PBG	Vacant	Environmental Representative
13	Vacant		Vacant	Agricultural Representative
14	Michael Johnson	Indian Trail Improvement District	Greg Shafer	Indian Trail Improvement District

Roll call was taken.

Monica Mayotte, Robert Shorr, Milton (Chip) Block, DD Halpern, Karen Lythgoe, Robert Hagerty, Greg Weiss, Poonam Kalkat, Tommy Strowd, Jay Steinle, Rachelle Litt, and Michael Johnson.

With quorum, the WRTF unanimously approved the previous meeting minutes.

The following notes are a summary of the information provide at the discussions of the WRTF. This summary is not a transcript of the meeting.

Mayor Greg Weiss was nominated for Chairman of the Water Resources Task Force by Rachelle Litt that was seconded by Tommy Strowd. A vote was taken and Greg Weiss was elected unanimously to be the new Chairman of the Water Resources Task Force.

Paul Linton, P.E. Palm Beach County Water Resources Manager provided an update on the FEMA FIRM appeal. FEMA has approved an Independent Scientific Panel Review of the appeal. Subsequent to the meeting the five panel members were selected and met on October 6, 2023. The next step is a presentation to the Scientific Panel by FEMA and PBC which is schedule for November 20, 2023.

Paul Linton, P.E. Palm Beach County Water Resources Manager provide an "Overview of Onsite Sewage Treatment and Disposal Systems (Septic Tanks) in Palm Beach County" the presentation was difficult to follow due to the size of the maps.

At the end of the meeting Chip Block resigned from the WRTF.