

**FINAL AGENDA AND MINUTES
TOWN OF JUPITER
BEACH COMMITTEE MEETING
COMMUNITY CENTER ROOM A
MONDAY April 24, 2023**

Vice-Chair Emily Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:01 P.M.

Roll Call: Emily Johnson (Vice-Chair); Shirley Brostmeyer; Louis “Coke” Coakley; Troy Holloway; David Uhlfelder; Gail Whipple; Peter Fitzter; Rick Opton (ALT); John Pugsley (ALT); and Laura Cahill, Staff Liaison. Chase Malcom (Chair) and John Smith (ALT) were absent.

MINUTES

1. January 23, 2023 Beach Committee Meeting Minutes.

Ms. Gail Whipple moved to approve the January 23, 2022 Beach Committee Meeting Minutes as amended; seconded by Mr. Coakley; motion passed.

Johnson	Brostmeyer	Coakley	Halloway	Uhlfelder	Whipple	Fitzter	Opton
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

PUBLIC BUSINESS

1. Dune Restoration presentation by Cara Abbott, Assistant Director of Programming from the Institute for Regional Conservation.

Ms. Cara Abbott, Assistant Director of Programs for The Institute for Regional Conservation (IRC), gave a presentation about Restoring the Gold Coast (RGC) and the Importance of Diverse Dunes. Ms. Abbott went over the RGC Program, historical ecosystems, dune biodiversity, and the importance of restoring the coastal ecosystem as a defense against climate change and sea level rise.

Ms. Whipple mentioned the County worked with the Town in target areas and planted sea grapes and sea oats. She said the crossovers were being worked on due to intense beach erosion.

Ms. Abbott said those are perfect planting locations to fill in with native plants that overtime naturally capture sand.

Ms. Whipple asked if the information could be passed along to Thomas Hernandez, Director of Engineering and Public Works.

Laura Cahill, Town Clerk, said she would forward to Mr. Hernandez.

Ms. Emily Johnson asked what would a project cost.

Ms. Abbott stated it depended on the scale and current availability of funding.

2. Friends of Jupiter Beach - Quarterly Update.

Mr. Rick Opton, on behalf of Ms. Mary Aguiar for Friends of Jupiter Beach (FJB), gave an update on the current participation levels of the beach cleanups. He mentioned the upcoming FJB Food and Wine Festival fundraiser being held on May 20, 2023.

REPORTS

Councilor Sundstrom stated she was going to each board or committee's meetings to connect with Committee members, with the goal of Council to become more involved to build and strengthen the relationships.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Emily Johnson mentioned the Southeast Regional Climate Change Compact and the pledge signed by many South Florida municipalities.

Ms. Gail Whipple gave an update on a Jupiter Inlet District dredging project.

Mr. Coakley said showers 26-30 were leaking. He noted the area that had been trimmed back on A1A close to Karen Marcus Ocean Park had garbage and needed to be cleaned.

ADJOURNMENT - 7:06 P.M.

Laura Cahill, Staff Liaison

Chase Malcom, Chair