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WATER MANAGEMENT  
DISTRICT**  
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**Minutes of the  
Lauderdale Isles Water Management District  
Meeting, March 21, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.  
City Hall, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor Large Conference Room**

Call to Order  
Time: 2:03 p.m.

Roll Call:  
Mr. Geoff Rames – Chairman  
Mr. Kenneth Stauch – Secretary/Treasurer  
Commissioner Ben Sorensen - City of Fort Lauderdale

Others:  
Lawrence Teich – Liaison, Env. Compliance Supervisor  
Earl Presley – Resident, viewing on Zoom

1. Minutes for approval:
  - a. December 13, 2021 Minutes



LIWMD Minutes  
12-13-2021.pdf

Motion to Approve: GR/BS

**2. Chairman's Report**

Provided orally:

Bacteria levels were unavailable at this time. Chairman Rames will follow up next meeting. The MISF Waterway cleanup had 49 people attending. Awards of a \$50 gift card were provided to 4 categories: the ugliest, the most unique, best sports item, and one other category. Each time we host this event, we're getting less and less trash. Most of the debris appears on the banks and are more accessible by small boats. A summary of trash removed will be provided in the future.

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### 3. Treasurer's Report

#### a. Year to Date Report



LIWMD Treasurer  
Report 2-28-22.pdf

We've expended \$1,300 this year due to the LIWMD waterway cleanup canceling. Otherwise, it would be more. The ad-valorem taxes brought in \$7,100. There is a about \$112,000 remaining in reserves.

Motion to accept Treasurers Report: GR/BS

#### b. FY2022-2023 Budget



2022-2023  
Budget.pdf

Motion to approve proposed 2022 budget and maintain the fees at \$15: GR/KS

### New Business

No new business was brought up by the board.

### Pending Business

#### 1. Crab Study –

- a. The draft study was still under review at the time of the meeting. Larry highlighted some of the study features and solicited any additional input from the board. The final version was completed by the time of the minutes and is included below. A copy of the study was provided to the FWC and County Laboratory as curtesy prior to distribution. The Study will be made available on the LIWMD.org website and may be published in the local newsletter.

#### b. Final

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Crab Study Final.pdf

## 2. Boundary Conflict with City Boundaries

### a. Update on Boundary Revisions:



Ordinance Draft v2  
3-17-2022.pdf



Additions to LIWMD Email Communication  
Charter document 3 1- Additions to LIWMD



The attached draft ordinance was proposed by D'Wayne, Assistant City Attorney, to revise the boundaries and incorporate the District into the City's ordinances. Chapter 189 – Special Districts of the Florida Statutes is used as the basis for this incorporation, rather Chapter 298 for Water Management Districts, because Water Management Districts may no longer be created under that Statute according to the Florida rule.

Chairman Rames had proposed a more focused verbiage be added to the ordinance as indicated in the attached email. A

A discussion on the specific details ensued concerning the focused efforts proposed.

- b. Chairman Rames proposed to postpone the adoption of the ordinance until further discussions of the details were resolved. Larry reminded the board that they could meet individually with D'Wayne and resolve any questions they had but should avoid meeting collectively due to Sunshine laws.

Chairman Rames said he would pursue a meeting later. Commissioner Sorensen said he would also follow up with D'Wayne.

Final agreement of the ordinance language should be obtained prior to the LIWMD June 20<sup>st</sup> meeting.

The ordinance and any revisions should be completed and available for adoption for an August Commission meeting.

## 3. Code compliance reporting for derelict vessels and other waterway matters.

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- a. Code was not in attendance. Larry reported that a vendor for the code boat was selected.

### Discussion Items

1. Treasurer/Secretary Ken Stauch announced that he will be moving to Colorado so will need to resign his position on the board. An election will need to be held this year for his replacement. In the interim, Chairman Rames will need to assume the duties of Treasurer and transfer any LIWMD financial instruments to his name for authorizations.

Motion was made to transfer the accounts and hold an election: GR/KS

2. Website Update - [WWW.LIWMD.org](http://WWW.LIWMD.org)

- a. Website Statistics



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Website stats are consistent. Not too many hits.

3. Future meetings: These meeting times were advertised at City Hall and on the LIWMD website.

Future meeting dates:

- a) June 20, 2022 Regular Meeting, 2:00 p.m.
- b) September 19, 2022 Regular Meeting, 2:00 p.m.
- c) December 12, 2022 Regular Meeting, 2:00 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn: GR/KS

Time: 2:35 p.m.

**All motions passed unanimously.**

**Public Notice: Posted at [www.LIWMD.org](http://www.LIWMD.org) and City Hall starting on February 10, 2022; and noticed in the Sun-Sentinel March 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022.**

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