

**MINUTES  
TOWN OF JUPITER ISLAND  
BEACH PROTECTION DISTRICT MEETING  
THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2025**

**TIME:** Thursday, March 20, 2025 – 10:00 AM  
**PLACE:** Town Hall Island Room – 2 Bridge Rd., Hobe Sound, FL  
**PRESENT:** Present were Mayor Penny Townsend, Vice Mayor Marshall Field VI, and Commissioners Anne Scott and Patricia Warner. Also present were Town Manager Robert Garlo, Town Clerk Kimberly Kogos, Town Attorney Thomas Baird and IT Director Bill Sutton.

**1. Consent Agenda**

**Category A- To be reviewed and approved (as is or as edited) by the Town Commission**

- a. Minutes of the February 18, 2025, Beach Protection District Meeting

**MOTION:** *Commissioner Scott/Vice Mayor Field moved to approve the minutes as presented.*

**ACTION:** *Motion Passed 4-0.*

**2. Beach Project Update\***

Director Duchock reviewed the status of the beach renourishment project.

He presented a visual showing the sections that have been completed and the area that is in process.

Vice Mayor Field asked about the condition of the borrow site and the quality of the sand. Mayor Townsend asked about the volume measurement of sand since water is added to the sand in order to move it. Commissioner Warner asked about the process of laying and removing the feeder pipes on the beach.

Director Duchock provided an update to each question of interest.

Director Duchock reviewed the current turtle nest distribution by species, noting that there are currently 33 nests (leatherback species) in comparison to 6 at this time last year. He explained the need to relocate nests in the construction areas.

Commissioner Scott asked if Public Safety is experiencing more or less incidents with the increased amount of beach equipment and public safety presence. Chief Ewing stated that the slight increase in activity has been largely related to parking matters.

Director Duchock provided aerial drone photography of the beach project and current beach status.

Commissioner Scott asked about the ~300' of town owned beach access in the 300 block. Staff was asked to provide additional ownership information of that property.

**3. Contract Amendment - Weeks Marine**

Director Duchock provided a brief explanation of the request for a contract amendment with Weeks Marine. He stated that the Addendum authorizes placement of up to an additional 300,000 cubic yards of sand at the contract rate of \$17.75 per cubic yard of sand. He added that the contract value increases by \$5,325,000 from \$28,565,000 to a maximum of \$33,890,000 and that Beach District reserves will be used to cover the additional contract cost.

Director Duchock explained that a portion of the additional contract cost is eligible for State grant funds through the annual Local Government Funding Request administered by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, which means that the Town could receive up to 19% back from the state (based on parking and beach access).

**MOTION:** *Commissioner Scott/Vice Mayor Field moved to Approve as presented.*

**ACTION:** *Motion Passed 4-0.*

#### **4. Beach Protection District Financial Report**

Director Duchock provided an overview of the current Beach Protection District Financial Report through the end of February 2025. He highlighted the following:

Revenues	\$3,495,013.83
Expenditures	\$4,381,625.98
Net Revenues & Expenditures	(\$886,612.15)

#### **5. Other Items\***

Mayor Townsend adjourned the meeting at 10:35 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly Kogos, Town Clerk