

**Minutes**  
**Beaches & Shores Advisory Committee**  
**Thursday, April 10, 2008**  
**Charlotte County Administration Center**  
**Room #207B**

**Members Present**

Robert Pierce, Chairman  
Dick Whitney, Vice Chair  
John (Jack) Landis

**Staff Present**

Commissioner Tom D'Aprile  
Missy L. Christie, Environmental Specialist

**Members Excused**

Bruce C. McLean  
David Nellis  
Bill Weller

**Guests**

Marie Garrett, Beach Restoration, Inc.

**I. Call to Order/Roll Call/Determination of Quorum**

The **Beaches and Shores Advisory Committee** Special Meeting of April 10, 2008, began at 9:06am noting a quorum was present. This was a continuation of the previous meeting of April 3, 2008.

**II. Additions/Deletions to Agenda - None**

**III. Commissioner Comments**

**Commissioner D'Aprile** stated he was in agreement with the letters drafted by the Committee and reported that his letter and phone call to the DEP went unanswered. He advised he is against removing the geotextile tubes without further investigation. He explained the Commission's decision to vote according to the State's request to remove the geotextile tubes.

**VII. Action Items - None**

**VIII. Correspondence and Communication**

**Marie Garrett** advised that the correct name for the tubes is geotextile tubes and all documentation should reflect accordingly.

The next portion of the meeting was spent discussing the Committee's position on the geotextile tubes, environmental land acquisitions, and sand replacement on the north end of Knight Island, and preparing correspondence regarding same to be presented to the Board of County Commissioners. The group discussed documents pertaining to the removal of the geotextile tubes. **Ms. Garrett** provided information regarding her meeting in Tallahassee and confirmed the tubes must be removed. An additional survey and side scan sonar is scheduled for next week, and Beach Restoration, Inc. has committed to monitor Stump Pass for the next two (2) years. Commissioner D'Aprile stated he will write to Secretary Sole and the DEP again, strongly indicating his position on the issue, a copy of which will be provided at the

next meeting. Discussion continued.

***ACTION: Vice Chair Whitney made a motion to send a letter of correspondence to the Board of County Commissioners requesting that they acquire the Thornton Key Property located in the Cape Haze Peninsula. Seconded by Jack Landis, the vote was unanimous.***

***ACTION: Vice Chair Whitney made a motion to recommend to the Board of County Commissioners that the shoreline adjacent to the dredge footprint of the borrow area through Stump Pass be analyzed for erosional changes as the County proceeds with the design of the 2009 maintenance of the Charlotte County Erosion Control Project, and if it is determined to be technically appropriate, included in the next beach nourishment under a permit modification. Seconded by Jack Landis, the vote approved unanimously.***

(Commissioner D'Aprile left the meeting at 10:17am)

Members and staff finalized the letter to the Board of County Commissioners regarding the Committee's position on the geotextile tubes. **Ms. Christie** will forward same to the Recording Secretary to prepare for distribution.

**IX. Staff Comments - None**

**X. Public Comments - None**

**XI. Member Comments - None**

**XII. Next Meeting  
May 1, 2008, at 9:00a.m.in Conference Room 207B.**

**XIII. Adjournment  
Chair Pierce called the meeting to a close at 11:18am.**

Respectfully Submitted,

*Jane Starr*

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Recording Secretary

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