

Draft MINUTES
CHARLOTTE COUNTY
MARINE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Thursday, June 9, 2011

The Regular meeting of the Marine Advisory Committed was called to order by Chairman Len Harris at approximately 9:42 a.m. This delay was due to a malfunction of the recording equipment. Chairman Harris then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance

The secretary called the Roll and confirmed that a quorum was present

MEMBERS PRESENT

Len Harris, Chairman – Burnt Store Isles Boat Club
Captain Ron Blago, Chairman – Member at Large
Captain Jay Buckley – City of Punta Gorda
William Dixon – Punta Gorda Sailing Club
Douglas Donovan - U.S.C.G.A. Flotilla 98 Charlotte Harbor
Charles Gertner, Pirate Harbor Yacht Club
William Kumm – Punta Gorda Boat Club
Captain Tim Lynch – Palm Island Marina, Member-at-Large
Gerald Meckenberg, Secretary – Englewood U.S.C.G.A.
Mike Quinn – Punta Gorda Sports Fishing Club
Raymond Rose – Peace River Squadron, Inc.
Captain Maurice Sabourin – U.S.C.G.A. Flotilla 99 Rotonda
Garland Wilson – Charlotte Harbor Yacht Club

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Ken Dieffenbach - Charlotte Coastal Conservation Association of Florida
John Fleming – Member at Large
Tom Hamilton – Isles Yacht Club
Mel Staudmyer – Harbour Heights Yacht Club
Tom Ireland, South Gulf Cove Yacht Club
Cody Vaughn-Birch – Member at Large

MEMBERS ABSENT

Capt. Scott Schermerhorn – Member at Large
Port Charlotte Yacht Club member has resigned; this position is vacant.

STAFF

Andy Stevens – Natural Resources
Diane Quilty – Budget & Administrative Services
Charles Mopps – Public Works
Tara Musselmann – Public Works
Pam Alexander – Administrative Assistant II

GUESTS

Randy Broderson, City of Punta Gorda
Mary McMurray, FDEP/CHAP
Michael Poff, CEC (contract engineer)

Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Starr advised that all MAC funding requests were approved and he thanked the Committee for their input. He also advised that the floating dock issue had been addressed and that they would be City/County owned.

Regular Business

On motion by Jay Buckley, seconded by Chuck Gertner, and carried unanimously the Minutes of the May 12, 2011 meeting were approved as presented.

On motion by William Dixon, seconded by Maurice Sabourin and carried unanimously, the Minutes of Pre-Agenda Meetings for February 3, 2011, March 3, 2011, April 7, 2011, May 5, 2011, and, June 2, 2011 were accepted as presented.

The MSBU Update was read into the record by Tara Musselman

Presentation

Mary McMurray of FDEP narrated a very informative slide show regarding the Charlotte Harbor Aquatic Preserve.

Approximately 10:40 a.m., Commissioner Starr left the meeting.

Jason Ouimet, Signing & Marking Supervisor provided an e-mail update on Stump Pass signage.

Michael Poff, Coastal Engineering Consultants presented a shoaling analysis of the Port Charlotte Beach Complex and answered question.

New Business

On motion by Captain Ron Blago, seconded and carried unanimously, George Bobko was selected as a replacement member to represent the Port Charlotte Yacht Club.

Old Business

Andy Stevens provided an update on the current activities of the Manatee Committee.

Chairman Harris reminded all that County Project Mangers, Debra Forester and Roger Werner and Charlotte Harbor Regatta Inc. President Brian Gleason are scheduled to present updates on the current status of their respective project permits to the MAC at the September 8th, 2011 meeting on the current status of their project permits. He asked that a formal invitation be sent by the Recording Secretary.

An update on status of the proposed changes to the parking meters was provided. The proposal to change to an envelope system was rejected by the Board of County Commissioners on a vote of 4 to1. Instead they will be spending \$156,000 to install new meters.

Other Business

1. Update on the decision of the Board of County Commissioners at their May 24, 2011, regarding funding source (2011 budget or 2012) for the floating docks for the 2012 IFDS Championships
2. Update on the Board of County Commissioners decisions regarding the MAC recommendations for the 2011-2012 Budget.

The status of the above items were discussed during **Commissioner Comments**.

On motion by Captain Ron Blago, seconded by Douglas Donovan, and carried unanimously, the Marine Advisory Committee will not hold meeting during the months of July and August 2011, unless a situation should arise where a Special Meeting may be required.

Citizen Comments

Randy Broderson of the City of Punta Gorda provided an update on the new mooring field. The balls are scheduled to be delivered today and should be installed next week. Discussion ensued.

Good of the Order

William Dixon stated that he had attended a presentation by Roger DeBruler regarding abandoned vessels. He stated that it was outstanding and recommended that others invite him to their meetings.

Next Meeting

Chairman Harris provided the following information regarding the next scheduled meetings of MAC:

- The next **Pre-Agenda Meeting** will be held Thursday, September 1, 2011 at 9.30 a.m. in the Building Construction Services Conference Room, 18400 Murdock Circle
- The next **Regular Meeting** will be held Thursday, September 8, 2011 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 119

Adjournment

On motion by William Dixon, seconded by Chuck Gertner and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 11:16 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela J. Alexander
Administrative Assistant II

Minutes Approved on September 8, 2011

Len Harris, Chairman
Marine Advisory Committee