



Beaches and Shores Advisory Committee

Murdock Administration Building, 18500 Murdock Circle,
Building B, Room B-106, Port Charlotte, FL 33948

<u>Board Members:</u>	<u>District:</u>
Don McCormick.....	District 2
Nichole Beyer	District 3
Robert Wibbeler.....	District 1
Wendy Lang	District 5
Stas Matias, Chair	District 4
Jeff Anlauf, Vice-Chair	Member-at-Large
Hank Killion.....	Member-at-Large

MINUTES

April 6, 2023, at 9:00 A.M.

1. Call to Order:

Stas Matias called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Matias asked those in attendance to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call / Determination of a Quorum

Upon Secretary Bennett calling the roll call, it was determined a quorum was present. Wendy Lang was absent.

4. Approval of Minutes

- o Approve the Minutes from March 2, 2023

Mr. McCormick made a motion to approve the March 2nd, 2023, minutes, seconded by **Mr. Killion** the motion passed unanimously.

5. Changes to the Agenda

Secretary Bennett mentioned to the group about the Charlotte County Government Academy, that is on April 19th, 2023, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. located at the Centennial Park Recreation Center. It's a one-day course that will present the services provided by departments under the Board of County Commissioners. Learn about public works, transit, human services, parks and recreation, and much more. It is open to the public to attend.

Mr. Anlauf mentioned that he would like to discuss about Red Tide.

6. Citizen Input on Agenda Items

None offered.

7. New Business

None offered.

8. Old Business

- Brandon Moody, Water Quality Manager
 - Water Quality

Mr. Moody gave an update on the One Charlotte One Water plan; the scope has been signed and there will be a presentation to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) with further explanation of what the scope will be. They are currently working on booking a public meeting for public comment mid-December. Where they will be taking the feedback for a refined draft plan that will be presented at public workshops in April for public feedback. After taking the feedback from the workshops it will then be incorporated to a final plan that will then be presented to the BCC in September.

- Red tide

Mr. Moody has checked into the models since the latest outbreak and has been communicating with the FWC. He is hopeful that this not going to dramatic impact, he has noticed the last few days that the wind patterns are pushing things offshore and is hoping that it holds. He hasn't been in the bay since this has appeared, he has noticed some samples showing some levels of Red tide within the Bay itself. He also mentioned there hasn't been any major impacts to our beach at this point. He's happy to hear from members and citizens of what they have been seeing to get an idea.

Tommy Brock, lives in area, inquired about funds that was received in 2019, where have they gone?

Mr. Moody responded that every year MOTE marine publishes a report on their progress with the funds. They have just released their annual report that goes through not just what they are doing now but also what they have looked at in the past and where it landed.

- Riviera Marina

Mr. Moody commented that he reached out to DEP about the settlement. They do not have any new information. Our understanding was there was a settlement agreement that was pending closing sale on the property. It doesn't look like it's happened. In January there was a hearing in the local court along with another one scheduled sometime this month. What that essentially means is there is still an ongoing conflict of ownership, which has been our hold up for enforcement.

- Michael Poff, Coastal Engineering Consultants, Inc.
 - South Beach (Knight-Don Pedro Island) Renourishment
 - Stump Pass navigation channel project
 - Mitigation reef
 - Terminal Groin placement on Stump Pass

Mr. Poff gave a [presentation](#) of a recap of the last few years. About the following information:

- 2020 Manasota Key Beach Restoration
- 2020 South Beach Nourishment – including- Knight Island and Don Pedro Island
- 2021 Mitigation Reef
- 2022 Erosion Control Project

Mr. McCormick inquired that the takeaway from this is that you are recommending truck hull only, no barges or dredges for all these projects? **Mr. Poff** replied just for Manasota Key, we will dredge Stump Pass.

Matt Logan, Public Works, deferred the members to the MSBU report for the latest update pertaining to those projects.

Mr. Anlauf asked **Mr. Logan** about the dredge project on Manchester Waterway. **Mr. Logan** advise for him to reach out to Zach Patchell, who has taken over the dredging projects, or to reach out to the MSBU.

Mr. Matias inquired with Secretary Bennett if the MSBU and DV reports could be emailed ahead of the meeting for the board members to review prior. The members were all in favor. **Ms. Bennett** replied that she certainly can email them prior to the meeting for the members to review.

○ DV Reports

Ms. Scudera gave an update on the DV report.

- 27 open cases
- 1 pending approval
- 23 removed and/or ready for removal
- 2 relocated

Ms. Scudera mentioned that **Mr. DrBruler** has been working on trying to create a more unified platform for communication with internal database to help us all (ie: police department and state) be on the same page.

Mr. Anlauf asked what does an open case mean? **Ms. Scudera** replied it means that law enforcement is still investigating it. For example, they are seeking the legal owner because they have to provide them with amicable notice.

○ Parks and Natural Resources Update

Jamie Scudera informed that staff is gearing up for sea turtle season. They have started the shorebird breeding surveys for our area. No activity just yet.

9. Correspondence and Communication

None offered.

10. Public Comments

Damian Ochab, SMSKA, thanked **Mr. Poff** for his presentation. He addressed red tide and stated that on Manasota Key the beach is currently clear of red tide and the water has been clear. As into what **Mr. Poff** was saying we do notice from the top of our building we notice more sand is in the water. When you look out into the water, there is a halo effect about 100 yards out, which you can tell is sand sitting out there. He also comments it seems where the Mitigation reef hard bottom was placed it has retained more sand on the beach. As opposed to areas south of the mitigation area. He asked **Mr. Poff** his thoughts of if a Wave Attenuating Device (WAD) could be added to Manasota Key? **Mr. Poff** explained that the WAD systems are not anchored to the bottom, they are laid on the bottom. If you had WADs off of Manasota Key during the last three years of storms the challenge is where would we place them, considering they are needing to be close to shore. It is premature to talk about any coastal structures of any type on Manasota Key because we just completed our project in 2020 and we need to let this system settle.

Mr. Brock asked **Mr. Poff** if any decisions have been made about expanding the Jetty system? **Mr. Poff** explained that it's his understanding that their contract with the county will end because they are getting through the whole program. They are going to have to advertise new proposals, which they will apply for the work, and the next journey for Stump Pass will include an analysis of extending the groin back out and taking it to the state in the feds in the future.

Mr. Brock asked the board if they could assist addressing the boats turning up the seagrass in Chadwick Cove by placing some Markers. He also asked for the committee to write a letter to the commissioners to re-address the Red Tide.

11. Comments by Administrative Staff or Consultants
None offered.

12. Member Comments

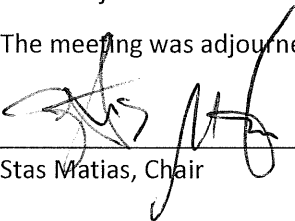
Mr. Matias thanked Mr. Poff for his presentation and giving the committee an update on the projects. He wasn't on the board during the early stages of the projects and really appreciates the information.

13. Next Meeting

- The next Regular Meeting of the Beaches and Shores Advisory Committee will be **Thursday, May 4th, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.** in the Murdock Administration Center, 18500 Murdock Circle, Room B-106 Port Charlotte unless otherwise announced.

16. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:21 a.m.



Stas Matias, Chair