

Beaches and Shores Advisory Committee

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

Board Members:	District:
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

December 7, 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. Anlauf 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 noted a quorum was present. Wendy Lang and Nichole Beyer were absent.

Present

Stas Matias Don McCormick Robert Wibbeler Jeff Anlauf Hank Killion

- 4. Approval of Minutes
 - o Approve the Minutes from November 2nd, 2023.

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

5. Changes to the Agenda

Secretary Bennett commented that **Mary McMurray** was not able to attend today's meeting to give her presentation that was on the agenda. She has asked to present her PowerPoint in January's meeting instead.

Also, Brandon Moody has a meeting at 9:30 and has asked if he can be moved up on the agenda.

Brandon Moody, Water Quality Manager

Water Quality

Mr. Moody commented that the Commissioners workshop on December 19th is going to be all about Water Quality update. Which will include an update about some impaired areas within the county. Nutrient impairments will also be discussed which still seems to be nitrogen as the main issue. Also, there will be discussion about the information that has been learned withing our local monitoring program on Hot spots. There will be a couple of guest speakers at the workshop, Tony Janicki with Janicki Environmental that will be discussing what to do after a body of water is impaired. Florida Fish and Wildlife (FWC) will be discussing the \$1+ million grant from NOAA to further investigate Juvenile Tarpon and Snook Habitat within the county. He also informed the board that on January 31st, 2024, at 9am, there will be a water quality Town Hall meeting located at the Charlotte Harbor Event Center in Punta Gorda. This will be an informational meeting in one spot to discuss all about water quality in the area and for the public to give feedback on anything water quality.

Mr. Matias discussed with the board of the agenda changes. Mary McMurray is looking to come back in January to give her presentation however we do have a presentation already lined up with Michael Poff and also, we have elections for Chair and Vice-Chair. The question purposed was do we want two presentations in January? Then Brandon Moody just mentioned a presentation in February, so would we like for Mary to present in March? This is open for discussion.

Mr. McCormick commented yes, I would suggest moving Mary McMurray to March. The entire board agreed.

Motion

Mr. McCormick made a motion to have Mary McMurray give her presentation in March of 2024, seconded by *Mr. Killion* the motion passed unanimously.

6. Citizen Input on Agenda Items None offered.

7. New Business None offered.

8. Old Business

Riviera Marina

Commissioner Deutsch commented that the last he heard was that there have been some major improvements and seems to be heading in the right direction.

- Matt Logan Public Works
- South Beach (Knight-Don Pedro Island) Renourishment
- Stump Pass navigation channel project
- Mitigation reef
- Terminal Groin placement on Stump Pass

Mr. Logan was absent and informed Secretary Bennett that Zach Patchell is no longer in the MSBU advisory update position. Mr. Patchell has been assisting Mr. Logan with the report and once they have completed it he will send it via email.

Commissioner Deutsch commented that the Army Core of Engineers have finally approved the dock for the William R. Gaines Park. The dock will be completely handicap accessible.

• Parks and Natural Resources Update

Jamie Scudera introduced Elizabeth Eastes; the new Environmental Specialist that will be providing the new AV/DV reports. She has taken over Roger's position.

Ms. Scudera commented that they are still waiting on final sea turtle numbers. As soon as she gets an updated number, she will let the board know.

• Derelict Vessel Update Report

Ms. Eastes gave the board the DV update:

- 16 open cases
- 21 vessels are ready for removal
- 2 have been removed

Ms. Estates commented that they have met with WCIND since the update was sent out and we received an update from them. The AV465- the 33-foot Morgan Sail- has been removed as well.

9. Correspondence and Communication None offered.

10. Public Comments

Damian Ochab, SMSKA, commented that the North Bridge on Manasota Key, it is in Sarasota County, however it is an Evacuation route for Charlotte County residents. His organization has been asked by many to ask for a more permanent repair on that road or even to re-opening the pass in that area. We are not taking any stands at this point, but we are in the research stage to figure out if that pass can be re-opened.

He was advised to speak to Sarasota County.

11. Comments by Administrative Staff or Consultants None offered.

12. Member Comments

Mr. McCormick inquired with Mr. Anlauf if this is his last meeting that he will be attending? Mr. Anlauf responded yes; it is. He has decided to free up his time and to travel some more with his wife. Mr. McCormick commented that he will be missed and that he really appreciates his time he's been with the board.

Mr. Wibbeler commented did we discuss the field trip location?

The board had a discussion of a field trip to the mitigation shore bird area on the Stump Pass beach. It was decided that if anyone wanted to check out the site, they could get with **Ms. Scudera** individually and maybe come back to the board with notes. **Mr. Matias** and **Mr. Wibbeler** were both interested.

13. Next Meeting

• The next Regular Meeting of the Beaches and Shores Advisory Committee will be **Thursday**, **January 4, 2024**, **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 9:48 a.m.

Stas Matias, Cha