



## Beaches and Shores Advisory Committee

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

### **BOARD MEMEBERS**

### **DISTRICT**

Wendy Lang, Chair	District 5
Robert Wibbeler, Vice Chair	Member-at-Large
Gregory Garvey	District 1
Robert Hancik	District 2
Ralph Lombardo	District 3
Vacant	District 4
Hank Killion	Member-at-Large

### **MINUTES**

December 4, 2025, at 9:00 A.M.

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Wendy Lang, Chair called the meeting to order at 9:04 A.M.

#### **2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Wendy Lang, Chair led those in attendance for the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **3. ROLL CALL / DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**

Per Melissa Mason calling roll, it was determined that a quorum was present.

#### **Committee Members Present:**

Wendy Lang  
Robert Wibbeler  
Gregory Garvey  
Robert Hancik

#### **Committee Members Absent:**

Ralph Lombardo  
Hank Killion

#### **County Staff Present:**

Jamie Scudera - Charlotte County Community Services, Project Manager  
Elizabeth Eastes – Charlotte County Community Services, Marine Environmental Specialist  
Melissa Mason, Recording Secretary / Senior Administrative Assistant

**Guests:**

Mike Maier, Englewood Beach Resident

Damian Ochab, SMSKA

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Approval of Minutes from [November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025](#) approved.

Motion moved by **Vice Chair, Wibbeler**: Seconded by **Member, Hancik**: Motion carried unanimously.

**5. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

- a. To move the Public Comments prior to New Business and after Citizen Input Agenda Items

Motion moved by **Chair, Lang**: Seconded by **Vice Chair, Wibbeler**

**6. CITIZEN INPUT AGENDA ITEMS**

- a. None.

**7. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- a. **Mike Maier, Englewood resident** expresses disappointment in the conditions of Englewood Beach

**There was a discussion on:**

- Absence of restroom services at the beach – health safety issue
- Options on rebuilding the beach
- Vote to rebuild Englewood Beach including, restroom facilities is with Parks and Recreation
- Process of designing, budgeting, engineer contracts and the approval process for the Englewood Beach project
- Core of Army Engineers approval process that causes delays in approved projects
- Lifeguard duty request
- Beachfront property significance

- b. **Damian Ochab, SMSKA**

**There was a discussion on:**

- Appreciation of the BSAC committee's effort
- Englewood Beach design alternatives not provided to the public
- Opposes the initial approved Englewood Beach design
- Presents a design recommendation that the public wants to see, for the Commissioners reconsideration of a re-design
- Public hearings/meetings to be granted to the public for input
- Public objection of the Manasota Key Resort development rezoning from multifamily to planning development

c. **Commissioner Deutsch, District IV**

- Highlights county transparency of soliciting input
- Budget constraint on the Englewood Beach design
- States his open availability

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

a. Action Items

i. Requesting a Commissioner to be the committee's liaison

**There was a discussion on:**

- Commissioner Deutsch's position to speak in meetings as a Commissioner versus a citizen.
- The County Attorney's notification to the **Chair, Lang** of Commissioner Deutsch's legal standing in meetings.

ii. Formal Request Letter to be presented to the BOCC for a Commissioner to be a liaison in future meetings

**There was a discussion on:**

- The letter not being completed due to the recording secretary's limitation on responsibilities to the committee.
- The letter not being completed due to late notification of the recording secretary's limitation
- **Chair, Lang** to write the Formal Request Letter and send to the recording secretary
- Commissioner Deutsch will be available for upcoming meetings as his schedule permits
- If the letter is necessary or not at this point

iii. BSAC value to the community

**There was a discussion on:**

- Information shared to the Commissioners from the meetings
- Approved minutes distribution

b. New Meeting Dates

**There was a discussion on:**

- The Thursday, January 1, 2026, meeting moved to Thursday, January 15, 2026, due to the holiday and room availability.

c. **Chair Lang, Proposal of Letters**

1. A Commissioner Request Letter which includes addressing Commissioner Deutsch's legal standing in meetings.
2. A Request for General Information for Future Projects Affecting Beaches and Shores
3. Manasota Key Resort Future Plans

**There was a discussion on:**

- Beach capacity study
- Traffic study

- Approve to move forward in composing the (3) three said letters:  
Motion moved by **Vice Chair, Wibbeler**: Seconded by **Member, Garvey**: Motion carried unanimously.

## **9. OLD BUSINESS**

### **a. WATER QUALITY - None**

### **b. PUBLIC WORKS - None**

### **c. PARKS AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

**Jamie Scudera, Environmental Projects Manager** provides update:

- i. Refer to handout: 2,000 sea turtle nests in year of 2025

**There was a discussion on:**

- Study on correlation of increase in nesting to post-storm events
- Patterns of habitation patterns
- Average number of offspring in nests
- Factors that affect offspring survival rates
- Succession of lighting violations
- Outreach supplies
- Rewards presented to citizens for light conservation efforts

**Elizabeth Eastes, Environmental Specialist** presented the Derelict Vessel Report

- i. Refer to handout – 4 open cases, 5 upcoming removals

## **10. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATION**

- a. None.

## **11. COMMENTS BY ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF OR CONSULTANTS**

- a. None.

## **12. MEMBER COMMENTS**

- a. None.

## **13. Sunshine Law**

- a. New Member, Gregory Garvey, District 1 will complete requirements.

## **14. NEXT MEETING – Thursday, January 15, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.**

The Beaches and Shores Advisory Committee Regular Meeting will be held at:

Murdock Administration Center, Room B-106

18500 Murdock Circle

Port Charlotte, FL, 33948

\*\*\*unless otherwise announced.

**15. ADJOURNED**

The meeting adjourned at 9:58 A.M.

Motion moved by **Vice Chair, Wibbeler**: Seconded by **Member, Garvey**: Motion carried unanimously.

