



Beaches and Shores Advisory Committee

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

<u>BOARD MEMEBERS</u>	<u>DISTRICT</u>
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 6th, 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:

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

- b. **Damian Ochab, SMSKA**

There was a discussion on:

- o Appreciation of the BSAC committee's effort
- o Englewood Beach design alternatives not provided to the public
- o Opposes the initial approved Englewood Beach design
- o Presents a design recommendation that the public wants to see, for the Commissioners reconsideration of a re-design
- o Public hearings/meetings to be granted to the public for input
- o 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.

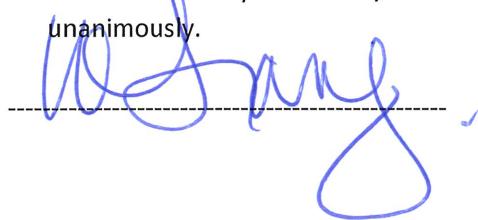
14. NEXT MEETING – Thursday, January 15, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

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.

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