



CONSERVATION CHARLOTTE



Environmentally Sensitive Lands Oversight Committee
Conservation Charlotte is a program of Charlotte County Government

Minutes

December 18, 2023

Community Services/Centennial Park
Large Administration Conference Room
1120 Centennial Boulevard
Port Charlotte, FL 33953

Members Present: Jack Pryor
Jeff Anlauf
Shaun O'Rourke
Dianne Quilty
Derek Miller

Members Absent: Rocco Pennella

County Staff: Tina Powell
Jason Thomason
Jamie Scudera
Jamie Boies

Call to Order / Roll Call:

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. A roll call was taken, and a quorum was established.

Approval of Minutes:

The draft minutes from September 11, 2023, were approved as submitted.

Unfinished Business:

1. February Field Trip – Discussion regarding upcoming field trip. Date was confirmed for February 26, 2024. Email to come to confirm meeting location.

New Business:

1. Rotonda Action Steps – Areas 1, 4 and 5 are currently being worked on.

2. Myakka River Park – There was discussion of the Master Plan and the amenities that the park will have. We will be adding kayak launch, parking, ped access, trails, and bike trails. Phase I will begin in 2024.

Staff Reports:

Jason Thompson – Exotic treatments are occurring. Staff is working on maintaining/repairing fencing and overstory reductions. Amberjack has been worked on recently and is looking great. We completed a successful burn at Shell Creek. 40 different pollinator species observed at Cedar Point.

Jamie Scudera – Coastal Update:

Scrub Jay

22.171 acres purchased fee simple

12.24 acres placed into CE

Sea Turtle

2,295 *not including LGI

Shorebird

American Oystercatcher – 1 nest = 1 chick

Wilson's Plover – 1 nest = 2 chicks

Black Skimmer – 2 colonies = no chicks

Least Tern – 3 colonies = 30 chicks

Managers Comments:

None

Advisory Board Open Discussion:

Discussion of the green space meeting was brought up by Mr. Pryor since he was absent at our September meeting. Ms. Powell provided the update from our last meeting.

Meeting Schedule / Items for Next Agenda:

February 26, 2024 (Field trip at Tippecanoe)

May 20, 2024

September 16, 2024

The meeting adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

Submitted by: Jamie Boies

Community Services Department