

MEETING MINUTES
MANCHESTER WATERWAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
September 30, 2010
9:00 a.m.

Attendees: Dennis Peck, Grace Amodeo, Donald Fredrick, and Patrick Randall
Absent – Cliff McMahon
County – Tara Musselman, Danny Quick, and Chuck Mopps

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 p.m.

Minutes: No minutes were submitted for approval.

Business:

- The Committee discussed Lewis Creek dredging.
 - Ms. Musselman reviewed the letter from Mr. Halfhill to Mr. Randall regarding dredging options for Lewis Creek. It has been determined that the prior dredging project is complete; however, until stabilization, the bend in the s-curve will be a habitual problem. One of the options for future dredging is to have a continuing contract with a dredging contractor. Mr. Quick asked if the Committee would like staff to meet with the County Attorney and Purchasing to see if this would be possible. The Committee agreed they would like to be able to call staff and have dredging done like the City of Punta Gorda.
 - There was discussion regarding the surveying of completed dredging to ensure compliance with DEP regulations. We could have staff pole the area to confirm depths, instead of paying an outside contractor to do a complete survey every time.
 - Ms. Amodeo made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fredrick, for staff to move forward with the dredging recommendations. The motion carried unanimously.
 - It was noted that, if we can do this, it would only be for areas in the County-wide dredge permit. Anything outside that area would have to be done through the normal permitting and dredging process. We could get permits, but it would take time.
 - There was discussion about trying to permit depths over 5'. The Committee agreed to move forward with the dredging and see how it works, rather than get a new permit.
 - Mr. Peck noted that we have done a lot of work within the system during the past several years, which has loosened the silt. We should continue with the maintenance program to see how things settle down in the next couple years.
- Ms. Musselman reviewed the 9-month financial report and the 9-month activity report. As of June 30, 2010, the balance in the account was \$244,270.

The next meeting will be scheduled as needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara L. Musselman
Municipal Services District Representative