

MEETING MINUTES
NORTHWEST PORT CHARLOTTE WATERWAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
December 3, 2014 – Regular Meeting
10:00 a.m. - Building Construction Services Conference Room

Attendees: Paul Elliot, Ron Larrivee, and Roger Larson

Absent: Joseph Fabini and Mark Fitzpatrick (excused)

County: Mike Dallenbach, Matt Logan, and Judith Nothdurft

Guests: Sign-in sheet attached

Meeting called to order at 10:01 a.m. A roll call was taken that established a quorum was present.

The minutes from October 22, 2014 were unanimously approved as written.

Citizen Input on Agenda Items: (3 Minute Limit)

- Mr. Pilch commented on the depth of the canal while fishing the previous Friday and indicated there were no navigational problems during low tide with northerly winds.

Unfinished Business:

- Exterior Channel Dredging Project – Mr. Logan advised the dredging was complete.
- New Channel Markers – Mr. Logan noted the project should be underway, provided detail related to Marker 19, indicated a permit was required to install the Marker, as it was not included in the original plan. He noted the contractor's schedule plays a role into the installation timeframe, mentioned the annual contract for piling installation, and responded to related inquiries. Discussion occurred related to original project plans, the length of time to obtain a permit, completion of the Cheshire Waterway, if there is a stipulation for required timelines with the contractor, and the Committee's preference to receive updated information.
- Jupiter & Apollo Minimum Wake Sign – Ms. Nothdurft indicated an update would be provided to the Committee once additional information was received.
- Waterway Brush Cutting – Ms. Nothdurft commented on funding for the project related to WCIND, noted specifics required for WCIND funding, indicated the project would fall under MSBU funding for FY 2016, and suggested a rough estimate be presented for Fiscal Services to place into the MSBU budget. Discussion occurred related to the number of areas for brush cutting and budget amounts. Mr. Logan explained options for the project to move forward. Mr. Elliott made a motion to move forward with brush trimming that is impeding navigation at selected locations of Northwest Port Charlotte Waterways using MSBU funding not to exceed \$10,000.00, seconded by Mr. Larson and passed unanimously. Scott Jones, a citizen, questioned his ability to trim Brazilian pepper trees surrounding his property and it was confirmed that trimming was allowed. Discussion ensued regarding hazards to boating including a tree at the Cheshire Waterway moving towards the channel and location of an underwater object. Mr. Logan affirmed he and Jason Ouimet, Signing and Marking Supervisor, would review the two locations and minimum wake signs.

New Business:

Future Projects for Next 2-Year Budget (FY 2016 – FY 2017) – Ms. Nothdurft indicated future projects would include brush trimming. Mr. Logan questioned if discussion occurred related to conducting a pre-hurricane season survey to map existing conditions. This would allow identification of shoaling that occurred after the hurricane that may be eligible for FEMA funding for removal. Mr. Logan responded to related inquiries, and affirmed he would provide additional information related to costs.

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- FY 2014 Year End Financials – Ms. Nothdurft indicated the year end financials were complete and verified that all Committee members received a copy of the report.
- Activity Report 10/1/14 – 11/25/14 – Ms. Nothdurft spoke to charges included.

Open Discussion:

- Mr. Larrivee emphasized that the channel marking and piling project need to be completed. Mr. Logan affirmed he would forward the concern to Mr. Ouimet.

Citizen Input on MSBU Related Items: (3 Minute Limit)

- Mr. Pilch questioned County liability if the tree in the Cheshire Waterway or the underwater obstruction around Cornelius Boulevard were to be hit by boaters.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 28, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:34 a.m.

Submitted by:



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Public Works Department

**CHARLOTTE COUNTY
 PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION
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 ATTENDANCE ROSTER**

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