



Lakes & Waterways Board Regular Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2023 at 12:00 PM

City Hall Commission Chambers
401 S. Park Avenue

Present

Justin Vermuth, Ed Webman, William Swartz, George (Trevor) Vietor and David March.

Absent

Pamela Saffran and Warren Bloom.

Staff Present

Director of Natural Resources & Sustainability Gloria Eby; Assistant Director of Public Works Don Marcotte; Public Works Engineer Shannon Monahan; Lakes Division Manager Joseph Cordell; Natural Resources & Sustainability Administrative Coordinator Victoria Tabor; Virtually: Board Coordinator Tatia Ghviniashvili.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:02 p.m.

2. Consent Agenda

- a. Approve the minutes of the regular meeting September 12, 2023

Motion made by David March to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Ed Webman. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

3. Public Comments (for items not on the agenda):

4. Public Hearings (Public participation and comment on these matters must be in person.)

- a. Shoreline Alteration Permit (SAP-2023-0029) 2104 Venetian Way

Staff provided background of the revetment application, along with parameters, photograph/aerial view, and plans. The request is for 70 ft. of shoreline to be stabilized

with natural stone, and if approved, would require replanting to meet vegetation requirements.

Larissa Serrao, 2112 Venecian Way, noted that she has no opposition to the revetment, however, seeks assurance that there will be no negative impacts to her property.

Sheila Cichra, Streamline Permitting, spoke on behalf of the applicant and helped further clarify the requested revetment. She highlighted that under no circumstances can the floodplain be altered, and the adjacent property owned by Mrs. Serrao will not be impacted negatively.

Dr. John Serrao, 2112 Venecian Way, highlighted that although he is not opposed to the revetment, he wants to be sure there will be no damage to his property.

The floor opened for a brief discussion and staff made clarifications to ensure Mr. and Mrs. Serrao that their property will not be negatively impacted in any way. Staff will also make sure that the seawall itself will not be raised in any way, so not to cause any potential problems. Ms. Cichra also made clarifying remarks and explained the process of the revetment in further detail, noting no extra soil would be brought in and the adjacent property would not be impacted.

Motion made by Justin Vermuth to approve the permit application; seconded by David March. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

- b. Shoreline Alteration Permit (SAP-2023-0030) 1402 Green Cove Rd.

Staff provided background of the revetment application, along with parameters, photograph/aerial view, and plans. The application is for an existing riprap and does meet vegetation requirements, and staff recommendation is to approve. The board asked clarifying questions and a brief discussion ensued.

Motion made by Ed Webman to approve the application; seconded by Trevor Vietor. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

5. Action Items

6. Non-Action Items

7. Staff Updates

- a. Winter Park Police Department

Mr. Cordell provided brief updates on behalf of the Police Department. He highlighted that in the past month, there have been 4 citations and 13 warnings issued, along with 28 safety inspections conducted.

b. Lakes Management

Staff provided updates for the months of October and September- due to the length of the previous months' meetings. The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) grant funded work continues, with the Winter Park Pine Golf Club dredging completed and the contractor moving forward to remove a sandbar in Lake Killarney. Outfall dredging on Lake Berry has also been completed and staff is moving that project along to the chain of lakes.

Staff highlighted various treatments conducted across lakes, and noted that eelgrass efforts continue- primarily in Lake Maitland. Staff have received computers for the telemetry stations, however, are still waiting on the sensors before installation can begin. A brief discussion followed about dredging efforts and the minor changes made to the Flood Management Guide.

Various events were discussed, including monthly dock parties, Keep Winter Park Beautiful & Sustainable tree planting, Lake Baldwin cleanup and Howell Creek restoration.

c. Stormwater Management

Updates were provided on Capital Improvement Projects (CIP), such as various drainage improvements, Nicolet Ave. stormwater pond project and the Seminole County ditch piping project.

The floor opened for discussion and the board asked questions about several projects and the budget.

8. Board Comments

a. Discussion of Public Comments Received

A brief discussion was held about upcoming meeting dates.

9. Upcoming Agenda Items

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10. Adjournment

Motion made by William Swartz to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Ed Webman. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

The meeting adjourned at 12:53 p.m.

Minutes approved by the board on November 14, 2023.

/s/ Tatia Ghviniashvili, Board Coordinator