



Lakes & Waterways Board Regular Meeting Minutes

December 12, 2023 at 12:00 PM

City Hall Commission Chambers
401 S. Park Avenue

Present

Ed Webman, Justin J. Vermuth, Warren Bloom, Pamela L. Saffran, David F. March

Absent

George T. Vietor, William H. Swartz Sr.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:13 p.m.

2. Consent Agenda

- a. Approve the minutes of the regular meeting November 14, 2023

Motion made by David March to approve the minutes; seconded by Pamela Saffran. 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. Boathouse/Dock Application Revision (BLDC-2023-0135) 2111 Via Tuscany

Staff presented the revised application for the boathouse/ dock application at 2111 Via Tuscany, which was previously approved by the board. Photos of the structure were displayed, noting the dock meets parameters and vegetation requirements. Approval of the application is recommended by staff.

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

- b. Shoreline Alteration Permit (SAP-2023-0033) 1214 N Park Ave.

Staff presented the seawall application for 1214 N Park Ave. The existing seawall structure is 135 feet, it requires rip rap with natural stone, has significant erosion on the existing structure and needs more vegetation. Photos of the existing structure and seawall, site plan and cross-section requirements were displayed and staff recommended approval of the dock.

Sheila Cichra, Streamline Permitting 1002 Fort Mason drive, Eustis Florida, clarified that part of the seawall will be removed and used as rip rap. Revisions were not made to the

site plan, only to the engineering plans. The site plan reads two-tiered seawall, which was not allowed. The new plan displays a wall with rip rap in front of it.

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

5. Action Items

- a. Support Letter for the Appropriations Project Request for the Winter Park Chain of Lakes

Staff presented the support letter for the appropriations project request for the Winter Park Lakes written to the State Senator. Positive traction from the senator's office has been received. Currently, community support related to legislative efforts is needed. The \$500,000 fund will be used for the nutrient and hydrologic study for the chain of lakes. The blueprint will assist in identifying nutrient sources. Staff needs the board's approval to move forward with submitting the letter on their behalf. The board suggested a letter be sent to the Appropriation Chair, Thomas Leek.

Motion made by Pamela Saffran to approve the letter to the State Senator; seconded by Warren Bloom. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

6. Non-Action Items

7. Staff Updates

- a. Winter Park Police Department

Sergeant Hofer gave a brief report. Currently, it is off season, resulting in a total of 4 patrols since November 1st. Due to cooler weather and less traffic, the Police Department is on an as-needed basis. A total of 10 safety

inspections were completed last month, 10 citations and warnings for safety violations were given out. PD will be investigating large vessels coming close to the shoreline on Lake Maitland. No further complaints regarding Dog Island have been received at this time. The board asked a few questions and Sergeant Hofer responded explaining there is no rule for how close a vessel can get to the shoreline; a rule would have to be added to the careless operation statute. Staff will rewrite the ordinance for boater safety that has to be approved by Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation (FWC). Once the ordinance is approved by the city, it must go through FWC lengthy process. Further discussion followed.

- a. Lakes Management

The NRCS funding has allowed staff the opportunity to do various projects. Regarding the Howell Creek stabilization, a land survey and wetland delineation have been conducted. Residents were concerned about a ribbon on a cypress tree, however, it is for mapping purposes. A consulting firm will do stream assessments in January.

In March the community meeting on conceptual design will take place at Mead Gardens. Staff's contractor is working on Lake Killarney, tackling several outfalls and

working in the canal cove next. Vendor operations will be on the North portion of Howell creek to remove tree debris.

The 9th grade pond located had severe erosion, which served Lake Virginia area. In a few weeks' sediments will be removed.

Lake Bell weir is at geotechnical level and once the geo-tech survey is completed, a design and permit will follow.

A few treatments were done to the lakes. A pond treatment for navigation for Lake Sue has been completed, following a treatment will be done with Orlando to open the current navigation blockage.

The biobase for Lake Berry, 57% area vegetation coverage. The ideal vegetation is 30%-60%. The area coverage for Lake Killarney is 62% and the bio volume is 30%. Lake Sylvan has less coverage.

The new sensors for the telemetry stations have been received and will be installed. Elevation telemetry for Lake Killarney, MLK Park, Lake Virginia and Lake Bell Weir have been installed. Staff anticipate receiving all collected data soon. There are 20 more sensors to be installed on the remaining lakes.

The last dock party concluded in November with a good response from residents. Lake Knowles and Lake Wilbar shoreline restoration will be held Saturday December 16th.

c. Stormwater Management

Staff have added capital improvement projects that have been approved by the board and commission. Stirling bridge, Fawsett road have all been funded. Curb implementation projects will be implemented in the upcoming year. The remaining 750 thousand goes back into the drainage improvement

budget. Currently staff are in the permitting process for drainage improvement such as Palmer and Old England, the pipe at Killarney Drive south shore outfall replacement required, Nicolet pond and Seminole county piping projects. Staff displayed photos of continuous deflective separation (CDS) unit being installed at Fawsett Road.

Regarding the wall at Meade Garden, pricing bids have been high and staff is waiting for more quotes to move forward with the project.

8. Board Comments

a. Discussion of Public Comments Received

9. Upcoming Agenda Items

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Starting in January, staff will give a presentation of violations within the community to the board.

One of the board members inquired about data pertaining to nutrient studies being published on the website for public access.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:49 p.m.

Approved by the board on January 9, 2023
/s/ Charisma Lowery, Board Coordinator