



Lake Killarney Board Meeting Minutes

November 2, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

City Hall, Commission Chambers
401 S. Park Avenue | Winter Park, Florida

Present

In person: William Voecks, Carolyn Minear, Joyce Cunningham; Virtually: David Dickerson; Board Coordinator Tatia Ghviniashvili.

Absent

Jeanne Wall, John Mitchell, and Jason Ellison.

Staff Present

Natural Resources & Sustainability Director Gloria Eby; Assistant Director of Public Works Don Marcotte; Public Works Engineer Shannon Monahan; Lakes Division Manager Joseph Cordell; Lakes Division Administrative Coordinator Victoria Tabor; Planning & Transportation Director Jeff Briggs; City Clerk Rene Cranis. Amended on December 7, 2022.

1) Call to Order

Vice chair Voecks called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. With the absence of Jeanne Wall, John Mitchell, and Jason Ellison a physical quorum was not met; City Clerk Rene Cranis;

2) Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Meeting Minutes October 10, 2022

Deferred to next meeting due to lack of quorum.

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

Taylor McDonna, 2985 Grandfield Circle, Oviedo Florida, presented on WinterParkSunshine.org, a grant-based research project conducted by the University of Central Florida's Nicholson School of Communication's Journalism program. The project seeks to look at civic engagement and news gathering habits of citizens of Winter Park through interviews and data collection. She asked for public participation in the interview process. Amended on December 7, 2022.

4) Public Hearings

5) Action Items

6) Non-Action Items

- a. Update on variance authority for docks/boathouses/gazebos on Lake Killarney.

Planning & Transportation Director Jeff Briggs, presented on a change in variance authority. An ordinance will be presented to the Commission for consideration that will transfer authority for approval/denial of all dock, boathouse, and gazebo applications, including those with variances requested from the Board of Adjustment (BA) to the LKB.

- b. Hurricane Preparedness Plan - Lakes

Joseph Cordell shared the Lakes Division Hurricane Emergency Plan; which was updated to reflect current staff. Mr. Voecks asked about storage practices of Lakes Division equipment, and Mr. Cordell clarified they are stored on site at the Public Works Compound by the Lakes Division office.

- c. Hurricane Preparedness Plan - Streets

Don Marcotte gave a brief presentation on the Streets Division Hurricane Preparedness Plan. The plan will be revised in the upcoming future and presented to the board. He also highlighted a potential plan to remove drainwell collars from Lake Killarney prior to a severe weather event and explained the advantages and disadvantages to drainwell collar removal. Amended on December 7, 2022.

Mr. Marcotte responded to questions explaining responsibilities of the Streets Division such as, clearing out storm drains during or immediately after a storm, and clearing out large debris such as trees.

A brief discussion followed and an agreement was made for staff to draft a plan for drainwell collar removal, and present it to the board at a future date.

- d. FEMA CRS - Stormwater Update

Shannon Monahan presented an overview of the FEMA Community Rating System (CRS) as requested at the October 5, 2022 meeting. She explained that the CRS is part of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and if qualified, applicable properties can receive a discount on Federal flood insurance provided by NFIP. In order for business owners and residents to qualify, interested municipalities must participate in CRS and complete a variety of tasks. Those can include public information activities, outreach projects, hazard disclosures, warning and response

activities, etc. Tasks are associated with a point and class system, with difficult tasks carrying more points as opposed to small ones.

Ms. Monahan advised the board that the Building Department is actively reviewing the CRS program on behalf of the City of Winter Park.

A discussion followed, and Ms. Monahan and Ms. Eby answered questions to further clarify what the CRS is and how it would work. Staff agreed to keep the board updated on the matter. Amended on December 7, 2022.

7) Staff Updates

a. City Clerk's Office Update

City Clerk Rene Cranis gave a brief update on the transfer of administrative board support to the City Clerk's Office and introduced Board Coordinator Tatia Ghviniashvili.

b. Lakes Management

Mr. Cordell presented the board with various updates to the lakes. Previously scheduled pondweed and hydrilla treatments were postponed due to weather conditions but have been rescheduled. Removal of floating material in the cove was completed on October 25, 2022. Mr. Cordell also presented on post Hurricane Ian efforts, which included maintenance of drainwells and Carp barriers.

Following Hurricane Ian, samples of Fecal Coliform and E. Coli were taken on four different dates in October. The results showed a decrease in numbers as the date progressed, and did not exceed any health regulations. Mr. Cordell indicated another round of sampling was done on October 31, however, at the time of this meeting results were not received.

Other information presented by Mr. Cordell included water clarity, nitrogen, phosphorus, and trophic state index (TSI) comparison charts for Lake Killarney and cove. He also presented various bio-based maps measuring bathymetry, vegetation, and density/bottom hardness.

A brief discussion followed about reducing vegetation for boat navigation safety, and restocking fish into the lake.

Ms. Eby followed up with a brief presentation on the National Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), which is an environmental storm impact assistance program that provides funding for retrofitting, remediating, and clearing debris. Staff conducted data assessment which included a complete inventory of environmental storm related damages to assess eligibility for funding. A

submission for assistance was made, but eligibility has not yet been determined by NRCS at the time of this meeting.

c. Stormwater Update

Mr. Marcotte gave an update on Capital Improvement Projects (CIP). There is a plan to get a new pipe down on Killarney Drive, and staff will update the board as needed on a design plan. A brief discussion about improvements to Nicolet Pond followed; funding for this project is in the fiscal year 2023 budget.

8) Board Comments

a. Discussion of Public Comments Received

No public comments were received.

Ms. Minear brought up concerns about a sandbar that is blocking docks and posing a danger to boaters and jet skiers. Staff will plan to assess the sandbar and send out communication via MailChimp to residents, making them aware of the potential danger until the issue has been resolved. Ms. Eby will also request Florida Fish and Wildlife (FWC) to install a temporary marker in the water warning boaters and jet skiers of the hazard.

A brief discussion followed on the process to repair damages to docks as a result of Hurricane Ian.

9) Upcoming Agenda Items

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b. Summary of Meeting Actions

- Consideration for canceling/rescheduling meetings if it is determined in advance that a quorum is not available. (City Clerk's Office recommended cancellation of meetings due to potential scheduling conflicts of staff and commission chambers.)
- Staff will provide a draft document of the drainwell collar removal policy for review.
- Mr. Cordell will work on adding dock repair language assistance and hazard warning for the sandbar through MailChimp communication.

10) Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:24 a.m.

Minutes approved by the board on December 07, 2022.

/s/ Tatia Ghviniashvili, Board Coordinator