Lake Killarney Board
Regular Minutes

October 5, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

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

Present

Chair Jeanne Wall, Vice Chair William Voecks, Joyce Cunningham, Carolyn Minear, David Dickerson. Virtual: John Mitchell Absent: Jason Ellison. Also Present: Natural Resources & Sustainability Director Gloria Eby, Lakes Division Manager Joey Cordell, Assistant Director Public Works Don Marcotte, Public Works Engineer Shannon Monahan, Public Works Director Charles Ramdatt, Recording Secretary Victoria Tabor and Conrad Necrason, Vice President of Orange County Lake Killarney Board, Director of Water & Wastewater David Zusi. Amended on December 7, 2022.

Also Present

Senior Environmental Specialist at Lakes Management of Orange County, Nidia Volpe. Amended on December 7, 2022.

(1) Call to Order

Chair Wall called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

(2) Consent Agenda

a. Approve the meeting minutes from September 14, 2022.

Mrs. Wall asked the board members for comments or changes and Mrs. Cunningham only had one which was a word was missed spelt. Mrs. Wall distributed a copy of the minutes with her recommended changes, which she reviewed.

Motion made by Carolyn Minear, approve the consent agenda with changes submitted by Chair Wall seconded by Mrs. Cunningham. Motion passed unanimously with a 6-0 vote.

(3) Public Comments

Connie Brashier, from Pillar Engineering, explained that she is a (CFM) Certified Flood-Plain manager, and performs post-storm evaluations for significant structural damage. She encouraged the city to join CRS (Community Rating System) program. An in-depth discussion followed on the CRS program and how it could benefit the city during storm events. Ms. Brashier noted that becoming a member of the program is a lengthy process. Chair Wall suggested moving the discussion to board comments. The consensus was to reorganize the agenda to include the discussion with Ms. Brashier under board comments. No one else wished to speak, public comment was closed.

(4) Board Comments

Chair Wall asked Ms. Brashier to provide clarification on what funding the city could obtain by being a member of the CRS program. Mrs. Brashier reviewed the application process for accreditation and explained that one of the criteria is the city has to have adopted the current Florida building code. She added that there are specific document criteria for drainage structure maintenance and the city would need to renew its certification every year. Ms. Monahan noted that the city is actively looking a program similar to CRS.

Chair Wall suggested making a recommendation to the commission that the city hire someone to look into the stormwater structures on Lake Killarney and any of the lakes that flow into Lake Killarney to provide a report on the conditions of the stormwater systems.

Discussion followed on the adjustment of the weirs. Mr. Marcotte explained that the weirs are at a fixed elevation and only the SJRWMD (St. Johns River Water Management District) can adjust them.

Mr. Necrason noted that he corresponded with staff regarding the six drain wells at Lake Killarney prior to the hurricane and staff responded quickly to prepare for the storm. He added that he took pictures of the water levels before, during, and after the storm at his home. Discussion continued on the maintenance of the drain wells. After discussion, Chair Wall noted that it is the role of the board to make recommendations to the commission. See December 7, 2022 minutes for clarification.

Motion made by Chair Wall to add a discussion of the CRS program to the November meeting agenda, seconded by Bill Voecks. Motion carried unanimously with a 6-0 vote.

(5) Public Hearings

No public hearings

(6) Action Items

No Action Items

(7) Non-Action Items

Non-Action Items will be discussed during Staff Updates.

(8) Staff Updates

Lakes Management

Mr. Cordell informed the board on the treatments done on Lake Killarney and the cove in the past month. The team treated the increased hydrilla on Killarney, removed floating eelgrass in the canal and cove, and coordinated with Orange County regarding the pondweed expanding. Staff will provide a water quality report at the November meeting.

Mr. Cordell reported that post-storm, staff has been sampling weekly for E. Coli and biweekly for fecal coliform in four locations on the lake, one in the cove and three in the main part of the lake, October 4th was the first round of testing and at that time results were pending. The lakes will remain closed until further notice, reopening the lakes will depend on recovery, contamination, and water levels. Staff will provide a citywide update once test results have been received.

Mr. Zusi spoke about the lift stations that were down during the storm. A third of the stations were out initially and staff reacted quickly to resolve the issue by providing generators at the stations to keep them working. He reviewed pre and post-storm preparation tasks and stated that the water system had been updated since hurricane Charlie, Jean, and Francis. He added that the wastewater systems were working to their top capacity to keep up with water flow and explained how a hydraulic lift station works. He gave an update on the lift station that failed at the Lakeside Plaza and stated that staff is evaluating next steps as this is a private lift station.

Stormwater Management

Mr. Marcotte showed the board an illustration of the elevation of the current water level for Lake Killarney and where the levels should be as well as water levels for different locations in the city. He spoke on how severe flooding was during and after the storm.

Ms. Monahan provided an update on the following:

Pipe inspection for Killarney Estates during dry season: No update at this time.

- Killarney Drive street condition inspection: Will update November meeting.
- Update from Killarney Estates property manager: The property manager hasn't responded to Ms. Monahan. Staff will work to provide an update for the November meeting.

- Inspection reports for the exfiltration system at the Lakeside Plaza: With property management and ownership the reports were not conducted. The plaza is now working on obtaining a contract with Frank Gay
- As-Built for the stormwater system for the event center and library: This item is pending. Mr. Marcotte noted that there may be a delay due to adjustments.
- Dry Cleaner on 17-92: DEP is working with the property owners about soil remediation as some contaminants were discovered.

Mrs. Joyce Cunningham left the meeting at 12:11 p.m.

(9) Upcoming Agenda Items

Chair Wall asked that the request about the lift station at Lake Side Plaza stated in the minutes for record. The follow documents were not available: - Lakeside Lift Station Operation Maintenance Plan, Lakeside Plaza management records for 3 years, city inspections of private lift stations, and the contract between the Lakeside Plaza and maintenance company. Mrs. Volpe from Orange County noted that her department assisted with post-storm-related issues and how they directed residents to the right department.

Mrs. Wall asked staff if there was a written hurricane plan for the departments. Mrs. Wall made a motion to have staff, as an action plan, to bring to the board next meeting the written hurricane plans for the department seconded by Mr. Voecks. Passed unanimously.

Before the meeting adjourned Mr. Charles Ramdatt introduced himself and gave the board a brief background on his past experience.

(10) Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:23 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 2nd, 2022 at 10:00 am in the City Hall Commission Chambers.

Minutes approved by the Board on December 07, 2022.

/s/ Recording Secretary Victoria Tabor