



Lakes & Waterways Board Regular Minutes

December 13, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.

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

Present

Board Members: Chair Ed Webman, Justin Vermuth, Lindsay Eriksson Siddiqui, Pam Saffran
Absent: Warren Bloom, Robert Bendick, William Swartz.

City Staff: Natural Resources and Sustainability Director Gloria Eby, Assistant Director of Public Works Don Marcotte, Winter Park Police Department Luke Hofer and John Combas, Admin Coordinator/Recording Secretary Victoria Tabor.

Absent: Stormwater Engineer Shannon Monahan, Lakes Division Manager Joey Cordell

(1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Webman at 12:01 p.m.

(2) Consent Agenda

- a. Approve the meeting minutes for November 8th, 2022.

Motion made by Justin Vermuth, approve the consent agenda the way they were second by Ed Webman. Motion passed unanimously with a 4-0 vote.

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

Forest Michael, homeowner of 358 W. Comstock Ave, came to present and speak on behalf of homes that were flooded in his neighborhood. Mr. Michael first gave a history on the area that was impacted and came to the board to see what can be done. Mr. Michael asked Mr. Marcotte to answer the following three questions:

- Is the diameter of the Hannibal outfall pipe sufficient?
- If it is sufficient, was the pipe blocked by debris?
- What is the city's corrective fix for the flooding?

After Mr. Michael was done speaking, Mr. Marcotte went on to give the board and staff an explanation on what stormwater has discovered about the location that Mr. Michael was speaking of and then answered the three questions with that the pipe is the correct size, there could have been a blockage but there was no sign, and the city is going to keep an eye on that area.

Mrs. Eby informed that on January 12th the City Commission is going to have a work session on Hurricane aftermath and some suggestions are going to be provided at that time.

(4) Public Hearings

- a. No Public Hearings

(5) Action Items

- a. No Action Items

(6) Non-Action Items

- a. No Non-Action Items

(7) Staff Updates

- a. Winter Park Police -

Officer Hofer started off his update with letting staff and the board know that he has been promoted to Sergeant and will be going back to patrol and he introduced his partner Officer Combust, who is going to be taking over Officer Hofer spot on the board. There was not much to report on due to the weather getting cooler but if complaints do come in PD will go out and take care of it.

- b. Lakes Management -

Due to Mr. Cordell being out, Mrs. Eby gave the lakes management update. She started off with some quick updates, such as:

- Buoy repairs - staff had to replace buoys out on the Chain of Lakes due to them getting damaged
- Dock repairs update - dock repairs from the storms don't require extensive permitting
- Val runs resumed - not every dock can be picked up due to being damaged and it's a safety concern for staff.
- Replacing seawall caps - They were inundated with water, which caused them to rot out. So, there's tops missing and erosion on others and staff is looking into quotes to get them repaired.
- Chain of Lakes Meet & Greet - February 16th at 5:30 pm to 7 pm. A chance for the Chain of lakes residents to come meet each other, ask staff information, education information, sustainability section, presentation, Q & A session, FWC (Florida Fish & Wildlife) will be there to answer questions.
- Monthly Lake Outreach Events - 1st event is at Lake Sue & Chelton on January 28th to give information about that certain lake and engage with the residents around that lake.
- Grass carp stocking - The carp was out of stock during the summer and fish will be available in January of 2023.
- Storm Prep Water Elevation Policy - To have a policy set to say when the drain wells and boards to be pulled regardless of the storm trajectory.
- Boat Permit Update - A platform is being developed online for residents to be able to go online, instead of City Hall or the library, to renew their boat permit. Ms. Tabor will be verifying all the information is true when it comes in.

- c. Stormwater Management -

Mr. Marcotte started off his update with informing the board on his experience after the hurricane. The mayor showed up at the Emergency Operations Center and asks Mr. Marcotte to show him around. During that time going around the city the mayor was asking Mr. Marcotte if he can fix it. Mr. Marcotte went on and talked about the CIP and some of

the changes that were made on that. Dredging update, at the moment waiting for the contract to get executed through the procurement department and then stormwater department will get started on the schedule.

During the stormwater update Mrs. Eby spoke about NRCS. She went one to explain the process to get the funding to fix all of the damages from the storm, from data assessments to the application process.

(8) Board Comments

Discussion of Public Comments Received - No comments.

(9) Upcoming Agenda Items

Discussion of Upcoming Agenda Items -

- No upcoming items were asked.

(10) Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:57 p.m.

Next meeting scheduled for February 14th, 2022 (in person only)

Minutes approved by the Board on 01/10/2023.

/s/ Recording Secretary Victoria Tabor