



Lakes & Waterways Advisory Board

Regular Minutes

June 14, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.

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

Present

LWAB: William Swartz, Lindsay Eriksson Siddiqui, Pam Saffran, Ed Webman, Justin Vermuth

City Staff: Gloria Eby; Director of Natural Resources and Sustainability, Don Marcotte; Assistant Director of Public Works, Shannon Monahan; Engineer, Joey Cordell; Lakes Division Manager, Jeff Marcum; Sergeant of Winter Park Police Department, Victoria Tabor; Admin Coordinator/Recording Secretary

Virtual: Robert Bendick, Warren Bloom.

(1) Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Pam Saffran at 11:58 a.m.

(2) Consent Agenda

Motion to approve minutes 05-17-22. Motion to approve made by Ed Webman, seconded by Lindsay Eriksson Siddiqui. Motion passes unanimously.

(3) Public Comments (for items not on the agenda): Three minutes allowed for each speaker

Resident at 1350 College Point came to speak about issue with the eelgrass in front of her property. She talked about how she just did some planting and that it's her 3rd time doing it and that the plants she planted was ripped out by the eelgrass. She has put a fencing up around her plants to help them from being uprooted but her neighbors that planted around the same time, their plants are being uprooted. She made a comment that the problem is the floating eelgrass that the gentleman on the barges can't get to. Mr. Sullivan brought up in one of the meetings about a weedoo that can get right up to the shoreline and get the uprooted plants.

(4) Public Hearings

SAP-2022-0003 641 Bonita Drive - Request to install riprap by Harry and Jacqueline Pappas

Joey Cordell explained to that the application came to the board back in March of this year and was tabled because of issues with state permitting. The property has erosion behind a dilapidated seawall and the owners were looking to repair the seawall and re-establish the land up to the seawall. They were informed that we would not permit that without state permitting. A permit exemption was given to the homeowners by the state to be able to conduct the work, so staff brought it back in front of the board for approval. Joey then went into explain the parameters and staff approves is with the state permit exemption. We showed the board the views of the property, photos of what the old seawall looks like, survey view, aerial view, side view, and the state permit exemption. Motion to approve with planting made by Lindsay Eriksson Siddiqui, seconded by Ed Webman. Motion passed unanimously.

(5) Staff Updates

Winter Park Police - Sergeant Jeff Marcum started off telling the board members that staff has been on the lake, in the past month, for 60 hours and Luke Hofer has been assigned to monitor the lakes of Winter Park. 55 boaters were stopped, 52 inspections, 17 warnings and 7 citations were issued. Enforcement has increased in the past month because warnings aren't working, so PD handing out more citations. He's been enforcing mostly on boaters not having the proper PPE.

Lakes Management - Joey started off by giving the board an update on Lakes Management with talking about the hydrilla treatment on Lake Sue and coordination with City of Orlando and Orange County. 28 acres was treated. Lake Berry's hydrilla treatment was split up into two separate treatments four weeks apart, one on the East side and the other on the west side of the lake. This was done like this to prevent drop in the Dissolved Oxygen level. Also, the lake was supplied 145 grass carp back in March and Lake Sue had 245. Team is still keeping an eye on Lake Sue Hazardous Algal Bloom. A board member brought up about having easy access to the data of the lake's would be beneficial and staff went on explaining how they are trying to make the website user friendly so that ALL data can be easily accessed. Staff will bring the draft of the website in front of the board to get their opinions, also mentions that the Facebook page will be going live. Gloria then went to explain the new fertilizer ordinance for the city.

Stormwater Management - Don went to start explaining the CIP 5-year plan and the upcoming projects that are coming up. There is \$700,000 for capital improvement projects throughout the city. The following locations that have funding in the future years are Nicolet Avenue Stormwater Pond, Ward Park Ponds, Curb Implementation, CDS (continuous deflection separation) unit on Fawsett Road. A CDS unit is a unit that's underground that separates all of trash and debris. Each fiscal has different projects and Don explained how much money was going towards each project during those years and the projects will come up. Motion to approve made by Ed Webman, seconded by William Swartz. Motion passed unanimously.

(6) Non-Action Items

(7) Action Items

1. Vote for new Chair and Vice Chair - New Chair: Ed Webman Motion to approve by Pam Saffran, seconded by Lindsay Eriksson Siddiqui. Motion passed unanimously. New Vice Chair: Warren Bloom Motion to approve by Ed Webman, seconded by William Swartz. Motion passed unanimously.
2. Boat Regulations - Update: Gloria went to explain that the old boat regulation was the maximum length of any boat to be launched or operated on the cities chain of lakes shall not exceed 21 feet, with the exception of pontoon and sail boats that can't exceed 24 feet in length. Also, the width cannot exceed 8 feet. The new regulation being presented is to match the length of the boat to the pontoon and sail boats and the width to 8.5 feet. Motion to approve by Ed Webman, seconded by Lindsay Eriksson Siddiqui. Motion passed unanimously. Beau Fisher, City of Maitland resident, came to speak about his concern on the length of boats and didn't want to get cited. Have the regulation say the register length (the length on the registration).
3. Information signs put up a ramp's: Tabled to July's meeting.
4. CIP 5 Year Plan - Talked about in the stormwater management update.
5. Lake Spier Prohibiting Motorboats - Gloria started off explaining why this is being brought up in the meeting. A resident spoke to Gloria about this issue was talked about in the March of 2021 meeting and nothing else happened even though there was traction. Motion to approve by Lindsay Eriksson Siddiqui, seconded by Ed Webman. Motion passed unanimously.

(8) Board Comments

Update on the boat permits, having accessibility to the lakes condition on the website.

(9) Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:20pm

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

Minutes approved by the Board on 08/09/2022.
/s/ Recording Secretary Victoria Tabor