

**MINUTES  
MARINE ADVISORY BOARD  
MUNICIPAL SERVICES  
BOCA RATON  
APRIL 4, 2012**

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The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chair Folden. Roll was called.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Gene Folden  
Blaine C. Dickenson  
Joe Chaison  
Garry W. O'Donnell  
Bill Bartley

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Jack Fox (excused) Don Stone (excused)

**STAFF PRESENT:** John Reilly

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Tom Thayer

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**MOTION** made by Mr. O'Donnell, seconded by Mr. Chaison, to approve the minutes of March 7, 2012. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

**AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA:** None

**STAFF COMMENTS:** None

**TREASURER REPORT:**

Mr. Chaison reported that the treasury contains \$1,823.57.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mr. Thayer advised the Board that the Beach and Park District is still interested in funding the Lake Wyman project. He also advised the Board that Arthur Koski, Attorney for the Beach and Park District, stated that the funding for the Boca Raton project may be drying up. There are other cities that have recently come forward such as Lake Worth who will be doing something similar to the City project and has set aside \$100,000 for that project.

Mr. Thayer advised the Board that the Spring Fling would be held on 4/7/12 from 12 noon to 3PM next to the Kids Museum on Crawford Blvd. Mr. Thayer also reminded everyone that the Memorial Day Event will be at 9AM 4/28/12.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Mr. Reilly advised the Board that there was no update regarding the PBC ICW Working Group.

Mr. Reilly advised the Board that Ordinance 4571 and the amendments requested to the Marine Structures Ordinance are still being worked on by Mr. Brown.

Mr. Chaison advised the Board that he did a presentation to City Council on the Lake Wyman project. He advised the Board that the City is speaking with Palm Beach County regarding the permitting. Mr. Chaison expressed concern with all the homeless living in the park and on the Find Property. He saw what looked like stolen property including bikes, purses etc. which he reported to the police. Mr. Chaison also spoke to the Golden Harbor representative, Christine

Cherapy, and it appears that most of their concerns have been addressed and they are in favor of the project with some minor changes.

Mr. Reilly advised the Board that he had asked for permission for the Board to use the City Web Site to post their agenda and minutes but has not received any response.

In the absence of Mr. Stone, Mr. Folden advised the Board that it looked like all of the contributions had been submitted to the County for the mooring buoy project.

Copies of the Dredge report were provided to the Board. Mr. Chaison mentioned that he had met with Jennifer Bistyga who is in charge of the beach dredging for the City. She advised that they have a permit that allows for dredging of the shoal and it has to be renewed every 5 years. There was Board discussion regarding the City Dredge doing some of this dredging on nice days. Currently the dredge pumps sand on an average of 4 days per month and there appears to be ample time to include this project.

Mr. Folden advised the Board that Lagoon Keepers participated in the Boating and Beach Bash held at Spanish River Park. They provided rides to 45 participants and one dog of which 17 were in wheel chairs. Mr. Folden advised the Board that the Board's money and City money had been received by Lagoon Keepers and they should be repairing the smaller boat. Mr. Folden asked for volunteers for the Great American cleanup on April 28, 2012 from 9AM to 11AM at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center. Mr. Chaison volunteered to help out.

Mr. Folden stated that he had nothing new to report on the Wildflower property. Mr. Reilly advised the Board that no RFP had gone out yet.

Mr. Reilly advised that nothing has been done with regard to the inlet jetty lights.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Mr. Folden attended a meeting at the Royal Palm Marina to discuss the dredging of the local canals. Several HOA's and Condo Associations were in attendance. FIND will be contributing funds to this project because of the work that is being done at Pioneer Park that they are involved in. If the City would designate the Hillsboro El Rio Park as a boating destination or provide another boat ramp at the park, FIND would be willing to contribute more dollars toward the project.

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:** None

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

Mr. Folden introduced Bill Bartley, the new board member, and asked that he tell the group a little bit about himself. Mr. Bartley advised the Board that he has been a resident of Boca Raton for 17 years. He has been the Flotilla Commander for the last 2 years. He worked for AT&T for 33 years. He owns a 28 ft Sea Ray which he enjoys going out on whenever possible.

Mr. Folden asked the Board what their plans were for this summer. A motion was made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mr. Dickenson to not hold meetings in June, July and August this year. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

**Next Agenda:**

ICW Working Group Meeting – Gene Folden  
Progress on Ord. 4571 and Inclusion of Definitions in Marine Structures Ord. – Gene Folden  
Lake Wyman Restoration Project– Joe Chaison  
Web Site Update – John Reilly  
Reef Mooring Buoys – Don Stone  
Dredge Report – John Reilly  
Lagoon Keepers Update – Gene Folden

Hillsboro Canal Dredging – Gene Folden  
Wild Flower Property \_ Gene Folden  
Web Site Update - USCGA- Bill Bartley  
Inlet Status and Jetty Light – Bill Bartley

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION** was made by Mr. Dickenson, seconded by Mr. O'Donnell, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40PM. **MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

John Reilly, Recorder