

**MINUTES**  
**FORT MYERS BEACH**  
**Anchorage Advisory Committee**  
Town Hall  
2525 Estero Boulevard  
Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931

**Wednesday, June 15, 2016**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Chair Light. Members present: William Kubicek III, Ted Lawwill, Katherine Light, and Sam Lurie.

Excused: Robert Beasley and Gregory Holmes.

Staff: Jeff Richard

Council Liaison: Anita Cereceda

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT** - no public comment.

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of May 18, 2016

**MOTION:** Mr. Lawwill moved to approve the minutes; second by Mr. Lurie.

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously.

**V. MOORING FIELD & STAFF REPORT**

Chair Light noted that Ball #5 was out of service and a diver was needed to repair it. Mr. Richard indicated that installing the sign was on hold until October 1, 2016. Chair Light questioned whether \$1,400 was in the budget to install the sign. Ms. Cereceda stated that she would make sure it was in the budget. Discussion was held regarding whether they could install the sign and pay for it later.

Mr. Richard indicated that Booba resigned and Ryan Bellows was covering for him. As of October 1, 2016, Coastal Engineering could be doing the majority of the maintenance, which would free up Mr. Bellows. Mr. Richard reported that the check was sent for the new pump-out boat. Chair Light felt that it would be a good idea to have three people trained on running the boat. Mr. Richard noted that if Coastal Engineering provided maintenance at \$40,000, a full-time person would not be required.

Chair Light indicated that Scott Baker, Public Works Director, encouraged Council to bid out the upland services provider for the Mooring Field. She felt it would be a mistake for the Town to take over the services and she expressed her concerns at Town Council's work session. She discussed the fact that Matanzas provided water. Mr. Lurie suggested creating a wish list and a mandatory list for prospective upland services providers. Ms. Cereceda noted that AAC should screen candidates, not Town Council. She will take the idea to Town Council. Chair Light commented that the Dockwa proposal should be tabled until a decision was made regarding an upland services provider. Mr. Lawwill noted that Dockwa did not replace an upland services

provider. He remarked that it would be nice if AAC had projected expenses in the budget so they could come up with something that would not lose as much money. Discussion was held concerning breaking down law enforcement costs and the West Coast Inland Navigation District (WCIND) grant. Ms. Cereceda discussed looking at what additional law enforcement cost the Town rather than specific items that the Town paid additionally for. Chair Light did not think the grant had to run through the Mooring Field.

Mr. Lawwill remarked that raising the rate by 25% would result in an increase of \$37,000 of income. Raising the daily rate from \$16 to \$18 would provide an additional \$18,000. Discussion was held concerning sharing the increase with the upland services provider. Chair Light researched rates at mooring fields in the state and found that St. Petersburg was the only mooring field that charged less than the Town. Ms. Cereceda suggested a supplemental fee that would go directly to the Town. Mr. Lawwill noted they had discussed the idea. Mr. Lurie discussed a transitional rate for weekly renters who transition into monthly renters. Ms. Cereceda reported that \$15,000 was budgeted and, year-to-date, \$23,914.00 had been spent. Mr. Lawwill did not think that figure was high enough. Chair Light stated that the budget she saw at the work session did not make sense to her. Ms. Cereceda stated that she would help gather budget information for discussion in August. Chair Light agreed with raising the rate to \$18 regardless of any arrangement with an upland services provider. Discussion was held regarding reducing the percentage split beyond the increase.

**MOTION:** Chair Light moved to raise the rate by 13%, to \$18 per day and the equivalent for monthly and weekly rates and to negotiate a lower percentage for the provider;  
second by Mr. Kubicek III.

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Lurie suggested rounding up the rates and to consider a transitional fee. Chair Light felt they could talk about the transitional fee at another time. Chair Light will attend the next Council Meeting.

Chair Light questioned the status of exchanging the balls. Mr. Richard responded that the manufacturer and Mark Kincaid from Coastal Engineering said they were improperly attached. Mr. Richard stated that Mr. Kincaid will inspect the systems and offer his opinion.

## **VI. HARBOR MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Mr. Lurie indicated the changes had been made except for the area codes and phone numbers on Page 27. Chair Light revealed that Appendix II and Appendix VII would be edited after the Plan was approved. She will write a cover letter and forward the Plan to Town Council.

**VII. PUBLIC COMMENT** - no public comment.

## **VIII. MEMBER ITEMS & REPORTS**

Chair Light brought up scheduling a joint meeting in the fall with Council, the Coast Guard, the water sheriff, county representatives and other interested people regarding water quality. Mr. Lawwill discussed past enforcement issues regarding pump-outs.

Mr. Kubicek III suggested creating the list of priorities for the upland services provider. The prioritized list included: showers, restrooms, laundry, fresh water access, trash, pump-out boat mooring, hours of operation, proximity to the dinghy dock, vending and ice and the ship store. Discussion was held concerning bids.

**MOTION:** Mr. Lurie moved to advertise from October through March with the same publications as last year; second by Mr. Kubicek III.

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously.

**IX. SET AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING - September 21, 2016**

**X. ADJOURN**

**MOTION:** Mr. Lurie moved to adjourn; second by Mr. Kubicek III.

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Adopted 9-21-2016 with/without changes. Motion by \_\_\_\_\_  
(DATE)

Vote: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: Katherine Leght

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