

**MINUTES**  
**FORT MYERS BEACH**  
**Cultural and Environmental**  
**Learning Center Advisory Board**  
Town Hall  
2525 Estero Boulevard  
Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931  
**Thursday, November 16, 2017**

**I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m. by Chair Hill.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Members present: Barbara Hill, Betty Simpson, Cindy Richardson, Cherie Smith, Ceel Spuhler, Becky Werner and Lorrie Wolf.

Town Staff: Alison Giesen

Excused: Bill Grace

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - October 26, 2017**

Chair Hill clarified that contributions made by the Friends of the Mound House were for fiscal year 2017. She clarified that ideas for the Strangler Fig referred to the damaged portion of the Fig.

**MOTION:** Ms. Werner moved to approve the minutes as amended; second by Ms. Wolf.

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously.

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

**V. REVIEW OF EXISTING ORDINANCE**

Ms. Richardson pointed out grammatical errors and confusing language.

Chair Hill noted that a mission plan for Newton Beach Park would have to be addressed in the future.

**MOTION:** Ms. Werner moved to accept the Ordinance as amended; second by Ms. Simpson.

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously.

**VI. REVIEW OF POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL**

Discussion was held regarding duplicating the language in Sec. 2-231 Rules & Procedures in the Ordinance to 5. Meeting Preparation and Planning in the Policies and Procedures Manual.

Chair Hill suggested changing Sunshine Issues to Florida Sunshine Law and Election of Officer to Election of Officers in the Table of Contents. She felt it was redundant to list CELCAB in all the meeting procedures. CELCAB members agreed.

Ms. Werner discussed including specific training materials for incoming members.

Ms. Spuhler questioned whether a list of motions was available online. Ms. Giesen noted the information was included in the minutes. Chair Hill commented that access to an institutional history would be important for the Town of Fort Myers Beach to have. Ms. Giesen discussed the importance of documenting events and she thought it was a good idea. Chair Hill volunteered to help gather the information.

**MOTION:** Ms. Wolf moved to accept the Policies and Procedures Manual; second by Ms. Werner.

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously.

## **VII. FRIENDS OF THE MOUND HOUSE**

Ms. Werner noted that Maryanne Parsons and Kathy White made a presentation on Backyard Gardens. Nancy Kilmartin from Lee County Parks will be the featured speaker on manatees and her lecture is scheduled for December 12, 2017. The topic for January 9, 2018 will be on bird movement patterns. Parke Lewis will speak on February 13, 2018. Contact Ms. Werner for suggestions on the topic. The first fundraising event of 2018 will be held on January 13, 2018 and a dinner and live auction will be held in March.

Ms. Smith mentioned that they were putting together a Caloosa Caper for April.

Ms. Werner indicated that annual meeting will be at the library on Tuesday, January 30, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. Ms. Spuhler and Ms. Bassett will be the speakers.

## **VIII. BOARD MEMBER ITEMS AND REPORTS**

Chair Hill read a thank you note from Ms. Simpson. Chair Hill commented that the article in the paper regarding the Edison Estate was not accurate. Sam Galloway and his foundation board did not receive credit for the restoration.

Ms. Spuhler described visitor's reactions concerning the Mound House and how far they had come. She gave kudos to Ms. Giesen.

Ms. Wolf shared positive reactions from a resident.

Discussion was held concerning reporting activities to Town Council.

Ms. Giesen provided details regarding the National Register.

Town Manager Hernstadt noted that CELCAB was appreciated.

Chair Hill agreed to update Council at the next Council meeting.

Ms. Giesen noted they needed to discuss restrictions on the Mound House property. She invited CELCAB to the volunteer social at the Mound House.

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

**X. FUTURE MEETING DATE** - January 25, 2018 at 3:00 p.m.

**XI. ADJOURN**

Adopted 1/25/18 with/without changes. Motion by Cherie Smith  
(DATE)

Vote: unanimous Signature: Barbara Hill

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