

MINUTES
FORT MYERS BEACH
Anchorage Advisory Committee
Newton Park
Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931

Wednesday, May 20, 2015

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m. by Chair Light. Members present: Robert Beasley, Gregory Holmes, John Kakatsch, William Kubicek III, Ted Lawwill, Katherine Light, and Sam Lurie.

Council Liaison: Summer Stockton
Staff: Jeff Richard

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of March 18, 2015

MOTION: Mr. Beasley moved to accept the minutes; second by Mr. Lawwill.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

V. MOORING FIELD & STAFF REPORT

April numbers were not available. Chair Light reviewed the March report. Mark Kincaid from Coastal Engineering indicated that they would inspect the Mooring Field next week and the work should be completed within three days. Mr. Kincaid noted that he would update the spread sheet, provide an assessment of the systems and present recommendations based on those assessments. He indicated that he would include a proposed maintenance schedule in the report. Mr. Kincaid discussed the process and timeline in the event that the systems needed to be replaced. Discussion was held regarding the two systems.

Chair Light questioned the status of the sign at the entrance to the Mooring Field next to the bridge. Scott Baker, Public Works Director, indicated that the sign is ordered and awaiting installation by Coastal Engineers. Discussion was held concerning permits for the new markers.

VI. CRUISERS APPRECIATION DAY (CAD)

Chair Light reported that there were 29 boats and 63 persons. The AAC contributed \$269.50 to the expense of \$441.00 and Matanzas picked up the remainder. Chair Light discussed the possibility of limiting the number of tickets per boat to four. She reported that the money due to Matanzas included 854 food tickets, 957 drink tickets were purchased and ticket sales were

\$1,321.00. The total amount due to Matanzas was \$1,590.50. The raffle total was \$427 and AAC came out with \$157.50; almost break even. Chair Light indicated that Glenn from Matanzas proposed a different venue located between the restaurant and the hotel in the back. Discussion was held concerning extension of premises. Mr. Lurie was familiar with the location and he commented that it would be great with plenty of room. Chair Light discussed holding the event on March 19, 2016 or April 2, 2016.

VII. HARBOR MANAGEMENT PLAN

Mr. Kincaid summarized the history and timeline of the plan, which was initiated in 1998. He discussed the history of the 10 grandfathered liveboards and he explained that the intent was to phase out liveboards. Discussion was held concerning the lack of a lease with Ball #1.

Chair Light stated that the Harbor Management Plan needed to be updated. Mr. Baker recommended working on a final draft with Coastal Management and staff. Chair Light proposed looking at Harbor Management Plans from mooring fields in surrounding areas. Mr. Kincaid suggested that the AAC outline concerns and goals for discussion at the next meeting. Discussion was held regarding the special designated anchorage area, lighting and liability.

MOTION: Mr. Lawwill moved to approve making it a special designated anchorage area; second by Mr. Holmes.

AMEND: Mr. Lawwill moved to pursue making it a special designated anchorage area; second by Mr. Holmes.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. DINGHY DOCK UPDATE

Mr. Baked revealed the dinghy dock was out for bid and installation was expected to be complete by October, 2015. He addressed the mangrove trimming and he noted that part of the dock was a floating system.

IX. LETTER TO LEE COUNTY BOCC REQUESTING FUNDS TO OFFSET PUMP-OUT FEES

Chair Light revealed that the County was not interested in helping the Town. Mr. Richard noted the grant for a new pump-out boat was progressing.

X. ADVERTISING

Chair Light questioned why the fire department charged AAC \$100.00 for a permit when they waived the fee last year for CAD. Mr. Lurie noted that the plan was redrawn and when it was submitted, they did not waive the fee. Maureen Rischitelli, Director of Administrative Services, pointed out that the AAC could submit a request to the fire department board to waive the fee. Chair Light noted that \$995.00 remained in the budget.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

XII. MEMBER ITEMS & REPORTS

Mr. Lurie apologized for missing last month's meeting and he will follow up on the Senate bill.

XIII. SET AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING - Wednesday, June 17, 2015

Remove Letter to Lee County BoCC.

XIV. ADJOURN

MOTION: Mr. Lawwill moved to adjourn; second by Mr. Beasley.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Adopted 6/17/2015 with/without changes. Motion by _____
(DATE)

Vote: 6-0 Signature: Katherine Light

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