

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

Wednesday, September 18, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Light. Members present: Robert Beasley, Ted Lawwill, Katherine Light and Sam Lurie.

Excused: Greg Holmes and Mike Ratliff.

Absent: William Kubicek III

Staff: Austin Gilchrist and Chelsea O'Riley.

Council Liaison: Rexann Hosafros

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. PUBLIC COMMENT – no public comment.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 15, 2019

Technical difficulties prevented the completion of the minutes. Chair Light will fill in the blanks, and a vote will be taken at the next meeting.

V. MOORING FIELD AND STAFF REPORT

Mr. Gilchrist reported that inspections were ongoing and they replaced the pennant lines and put them back on for season. Pump-outs were delayed due to vibrations in the engine. He indicated that they were monitoring wash-out at the seawall by the water fountain. Manager O'Riley stated that the seawall was under state jurisdiction and they were working with them.

Mr. Kincaid stated that the grant to maintain and replace systems in the Mooring Field was waiting for an approval letter and a signed contractor agreement. Manager O'Riley indicated that the agreement was due by the end of the week. Mr. Kincaid placed orders for down lines, shackles, buoys and parts and everything will be installed once the funds were available. He noted they would start in the west field and cycle back to the east field.

Mr. Gilchrist reported that they invited Officer Daley from the Sheriff's Office to attend meetings to provide updates regarding derelict vessels and enforcement. Manager O'Riley noted that \$50,000.00 for the Sheriff's Office was budgeted for next fiscal year.

Officer Daley stated that she was working on removing derelict vessels from the area outside the Mooring Field. She remarked that it was a long process and they had several ongoing cases. Officer Galloway described the process.

Chair Light commented that she could not open the occupancy and revenue graph. Manager O'Riley offered to assist them after the meeting. Mr. Lawwill questioned whether they received the updated data. Manager O'Riley will investigate and resend the information. Mr. Lawwill

noted that the current year occupation was lower than last year. Manager O'Riley stated that she corrected inconsistent formulas on the chart. She explained that she was investigating expenditures line by line because some figures were outside of Mooring Field expenses. She noted that she would provide an update at the next meeting.

Mr. Gilchrist indicated there were a couple of payment delinquencies in the field and he was moving forward with placing liens on some of the other vessels. He will forward information from Fort Myers regarding the State's lien procedures.

Manager O'Riley stated that they received comments from Matanzas and one person suggested adding ice. Chris from Matanzas Inn commented that Metro Ice would provide a vending machine by the water station.

VI. DINGHY DOCK UPDATE

Mark Kincaid from Coastal Engineering reported that Kelly Brothers was selected to replace the dinghy dock. He noted that it would take several weeks for Bellingham Marine to fabricate the dock sections. The marine submitted a shop drawing and Mr. Kincaid will verify the measurements. Once the drawing was approved, it would be incorporated into their fabrication schedule. Mr. Beasley questioned the timeline for installing the dinghy dock. Mr. Kincaid estimated it would take a week to 10 days. He noted they would have to make arrangements for people who were in the field during that period. Manager O'Riley commented that they were discussing options.

VII. EXPANSION OF THE MOORING FIELD UPDATE

Mr. Kincaid stated that Coastal Engineering assembled permit drawings and was finalizing applications to send to the DEP (Department of Environmental Protection) and the US Corp of Engineers. He noted there was no timeline to expand the field.

VIII. UPLAND SERVICE PROVIDER UPDATE – no update.

IX. BUDGET

Chair Light questioned the retirement line, overtime, wages, repairs and maintenance. Manager O'Riley explained the figures and noted that the expenditures included replacing the docks at Coconut and Hercules. She stated that she received two of three quotes between \$11,000.00 and \$14,000.00 for a new motor for the pump-out boat. She indicated that the boat would not be available for approximately seven to ten days and people would have to make alternative accommodations. Manager O'Riley explained that personnel and gear were incorporated for this fiscal year and next.

X. ADVERTISING

Manager O'Riley provided a quote, the ad and information from Winston Fowler. Mr. Lurie questioned adding channel 16 to the ad. Manager O'Riley will make the change.

Mr. Gilchrist will review the regular ads after the P.O. freeze was lifted on October 1, 2019.

XI. CRUISER'S APPRECIATION DAY

Mr. Lurie will meet with Matanzas regarding a date.

XII. MEMBER'S ITEMS AND REPORTS

Manager O'Riley stated that Mr. Holmes, Mr. Kubicek and Mr. Ratliff were up for reappointment and they must stop by the Clerk's Office by September 27, 2019.

Mr. Lawwill questioned whether there was a command structure set up for the ROAR event in October. Office Galloway replied that plans were being finalized. Mr. Lawwill stated that getting slow zones extended off Bowditch Point was a complicated process. He mentioned inviting Leslie Haynes from Lee County to a meeting to explain how they might be able to extend the zone. Chair Light noted that it might be outside of their purview. Mr. Gilchrist stated that he would invite her to the next meeting to explain issues surrounding no-wake and slow zones.

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENT – no public comment.

XIV. SET AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING – October 16, 2019

XV. ADJOURN

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

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

Adopted 11-20-2019 with/without changes. Motion by Sam
(DATE)

Vote: 5-0 Signature: Katherine Light

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