

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

Wednesday, December 18, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Light. Members present: Robert Beasley, Greg Holmes, William Kubicek, Ted Lawwill, Katherine Light, Sam Lurie and Mike Ratliff.
Staff: Austin Gilchrist and Public Works Manager Chelsea O'Riley
Council Liaison: Rexann Hosafros

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. PUBLIC COMMENT – no public comment.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 20, 2019

Minutes not available.

V. MOORING FIELD AND STAFF REPORT

Mr. Gilchrist reported that ¾ of the field had been inspected. They addressed the wear on the shackle systems and new numbers for the balls were applied. He noted that the signs would be secured with new hardware, the piling was replaced, special purpose buoys would be cleaned and new seagrass buoys would be ordered. AAC Member Lurie noted that Ball 10 was wrapped up. Mr. Gilchrist indicated that the lines were twisting up and they were being addressed with the new systems.

Manager O'Riley stated that the dinghy dock was shifted to Bayside Park and construction should be completed by January 10, 2020. She reported that the Town was scheduled to receive a federal grant in January, and new systems would be ordered after Town Council approved the agreement. She noted that they issued two refunds to patrons.

Manager O'Riley suggested scheduling a joint meeting with MRTF (Marine Resources Task Force) to discuss environmental issues relevant to both committees. She requested a meeting with Matanzas regarding incomplete contracts, and she indicated that the Town had 11 months left on their contract with Matanzas. She suggested that the AAC complete a strategic plan. Discussion was held regarding the timeline for submitting a bid package. Chair Light stated that the package previously went out in July. Manager O'Riley remarked that they should create questions regarding the future of a service provider before they schedule a work session. She noted that they were going to collect security deposits as acknowledged on the contracts and she stated that they successfully collected two overdue payments.

Discussion was held regarding extending the January meeting. AAC Member Beasley noted he would be out of town but he would email his ideas to Manager O'Riley. Manager O'Riley will

meet with Chair Veach from MRTF regarding the joint meeting. AAC Member Beasley cautioned against creating more regulations; he suggested enforcing those on the books. AAC Member Ratliff agreed. Manager O'Riley noted she would provide information from MRTF before the joint meeting.

VI. DINGHY DOCK UPDATE

Mr. Kincaid applied for a temporary permit from Florida DEP.

VII. EXPANSION OF THE MOORING FIELD UPDATE

The land lease was applied for through the DEP.

VIII. UPLAND SERVICE PROVIDER UPDATE

Chair Light reported that Doug Sperrin-Smith contacted her regarding providing additional facilities during season. Liaison Hosafros noted that staff would investigate potential sites for an upland facility.

IX. CRUISER'S APPRECIATION DAY – April 18, 2020

Manager O'Riley mentioned that the Town had a grill they could use. Chair Light noted that it would be more work for the AAC. AAC Member Lurie questioned whether they had enough key chains from last year. Mr. Gilchrist indicated he would check. AAC Member Lurie remarked that they would finalize the menu in February or March.

X. MEMBER'S ITEMS AND REPORTS

Chair Light will write a report to present to Council on January 6, 2020. Items included an update on the dinghy dock, expansion of the field, the upland service provider, Cruiser's Appreciation Day and a Strategic Plan.

MOTION: AAC Member Holmes moved to move forward with hiring a Strategic Plan Facilitator; second by AAC Member Lawwill.

VOTE: Motion passed; 6-1 with AAC Member Kubicek dissenting.

Manager O'Riley will distribute a calendar of events. Manager O'Riley remarked that their ad will appear in January 2020 issue of Southwinds.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENT

Dave Richardson played clips from his band.

XII. SET AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING – January 15, 2020

Add questionnaire.

XIII. ADJOURN

MOTION: AAC Member Lurie moved to adjourn the meeting; second by Chair Light.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:59 a.m.

Adopted 2-19-20 with/without changes. Motion by LIGHT
(DATE)

Vote: _____ Signature: Katherine Light

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