

BEACH STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

MINUTES

MAY 17, 2017

9:00 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Lynda Lind Fontana, Chairwoman
Dan Rothenberger, Vice Chairman
Janet Harris, Member

ABSENT:

Lenny Stamos, Member
Michael Welch, Member

ALSO PRESENT:

Mike Clarke, Public Services Director
Mary Jo Murphy, Deputy City Clerk

Chairwoman Fontana called the meeting to order.

1. Changes to the Agenda

Chairwoman Fontana added Item No. 4.E., Election of Chair and Vice Chair.

2. Audience Comments

Chairwoman Fontana asked for audience comments.

David Westmark, St. Pete, Florida, Blue Turtle Society, distributed documentation entitled "Beach-Nesting Birds," "Sea Turtles Dig the Dark," and "Be a Beach Hero!" and spoke about conservation activities and owl effigies.

Jay Anderson, Pass-A-Grille Beach, spoke about beautifying Pass-A-Grille beach.

Rebecca Haynes, St. Pete Beach City Clerk, spoke about the highlights from the May 15, 2017 Sunshine, Public Records and Ethics Law training session.

3. Approval of Minutes – 3/29/17

Member Rothenberger made a motion to approve the March 29, 2017 minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Member Harris and was unanimously approved by a voice vote, (3 yeses – 0 nos).

4. Agenda Items

- a. Discussion on the purpose of the Beach Stewardship Committee

Mr. Clarke, Public Works Director, spoke about giving advice to the City Commission on how to manage the elements of the beach for all of the purposes for which it's used by all of the different stakeholders.

- b. Proposal presented by Jeff Blair

Chairwoman Fontana asked for discussion in regard to Jeff Blair's proposal.

Hearing none, Chairwoman Fontana stated the proposal will be listed on the next Beach Stewardship Committee agenda to vote whether or not to recommend the proposal to the City Commission.

- c. Upham Beach Groin Replacement Project Update

Mr. Clarke updated the committee about the Upham Beach Shoreline Stabilization Project.

- d. Dune Crossover Grant Project Update

Mr. Clarke updated the committee about the grant funded by the county.

David Westmark, St. Pete, Florida, Blue Turtle Society, commented that the organization is willing to support Beach Stewardship Committee in any efforts or activities.

- e. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Member Rothenberger made a motion to nominate Ms. Fontana as Chairwoman for the next year. The motion was seconded by Member Harris and was unanimously approved by a voice vote, (3 yeses – 0 nos).

Chairwoman Fontana made a motion to nominate Dan Rothenberger as Vice Chairman. The motion was seconded by Member Harris and was unanimously approved by a voice vote, (3 yeses – 0 nos).

5. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:02 a.m.

Attest:


Rebecca C. Haynes, City Clerk


Lynda Lind Fontana, Chairwoman

Minutes approved on:

8/16/17