# Lake Conway Water and Navigation Control District Advisory Board Regular Meeting Orange County Facilities Management Training Room October 10, 2017

Board Members Present: Bobby Lance (Vice-Chairman), Micky Blackton, Jay Herrington and Alvin Luther

Board Members Absent: Rabon Vause (Chairman) and Gary Meloon

Staff & Guests: Tara Urbanik, Orange County Environmental Protection Division (EPD); Commissioner Pete Clarke, Orange County Board of County Commissioners (BCC); Sergeant Fred Westerberg and Corporal Bim Lowers, Orange County Sheriff's Office (OCSO); Chief Laura Houston and Sergeant Jeremy Millis, City of Belle Isle Police Department

Residents: David Woods & Cindy Lance

#### I. Call to Order:

With a quorum present, Bobby Lance called the meeting of the Lake Conway Water and Navigation Control District Advisory Board (Advisory Board) to order at 6:30 pm.

#### II. Approval of the July 11, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Upon a motion by Micky Blackton, seconded by Jay Herrington, and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice vote, with Rabon Vause and Gary Meloon being absent; the Advisory Board approved the July 11, 2017 minutes as presented.

# III. Public Comment on Propositions before the Advisory Board No public comments received.

#### IV. Comments of the Chairman

Vice Chairman Lance stated it was a busy month and a half with the effects from Hurricane Irma.

#### V. Marine Patrol Report

Corporal Bim Lowers presented the Off Duty Patrol Report for August and September. There was decreased boating activity after Hurricane Irma due to the limited public access. The Advisory Board requested the off duty patrol continue working the scheduled days during the week until boating activity decreases. Chief Houston introduced Sergeant Jeremy Millis as the off-duty patrol coordinator for the City of Belle Isle.

# VI. Orange County EPD Report

# Backacre Canal Maintenance Dredge

Ms. Urbanik stated County staff assessed the canal and there is two to three feet clearance of navigable water and staff could navigate to the end of the canal. It is believed the previous navigation concerns were due to the low lake levels during the summer drought.

# City of Belle Isle Stormwater Outfall Maintenance Discussion

Ms. Urbanik stated she has not yet received an update from the City Manager of Belle Isle.

# **Annual Approval of Routine Services**

Ms. Urbanik discussed the projected costs of the 2017-2018 fiscal year routine services (curb inlet basket cleaning, street sweeping, off duty lake patrol, aquatic weed control, baffle box cleaning, and gate keeper costs) for the Lake Conway Navigation and Control District (two handouts were passed out). The Advisory Board discussed the various services and costs.

Micky Blackton suggested to increase the quantities for off duty lake patrol, discussion ensued. Corporal Bim presented the history of the off duty patrol (a handout was passed out). The off duty patrol for Lake Conway commenced in 2007 and has been paid at a consistent rate of \$40.00 per hour. Corporal Bim requested a \$10.00 rate increase for the Conway off duty patrols in the new fiscal year. Off-duty lake patrol hours and rate were discussed. Ms. Urbanik stated there is an existing program in place for off duty lake patrol, similar to other County contracts, that services two other lake taxing districts in the County. The intent is to keep the rates consistent across all lake taxing districts that pay for lake patrol services. EPD supports a 3.5% increase across all lake patrols to commence on January 1, 2018 with the upcoming increase for the equipment usage fee. Discussion ensued.

Upon a motion by Micky Blackton, seconded by Jay Herrington, and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice vote, with Rabon Vause and Gary Meloon being absent; the Advisory Board approved 1200 hours for the Orange County Sheriff's Office and 300 hours for the City of Belle Isle Police Department.

Upon a motion by Micky Blackton, seconded by Jay Herrington, and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice vote, with Rabon Vause and Gary Meloon being absent; the Advisory Board approved an increased rate of \$50.00 per hour for the Orange County Sheriff's Office and the City of Belle Isle Police Department.

Ms. Urbanik stated the City of Belle Isle request for funding letter (cost share of two stormwater drainage pipes, a marine patrol boat, and a street sweeper) was reviewed by the Orange County Attorney Office. It was determined the budget requests don't meet the scope of the establishing Resolution, and it is not recommended to move forward. Ms. Urbanik stated the County can partner with the City on future water quality projects.

Upon a motion by Micky Blackton, seconded by Jay Herrington, and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice vote, with Rabon Vause and Gary Meloon being absent; the Advisory Board approved up to \$425,000 for the annual routine services for the 2017-2018 fiscal year.

#### VII. Advisory Board Member Report

- Vice Chairman Bobby Lance: No comment
- Jay Herrington: No comment.
- Micky Blackton: No comment.
- Alvin Luther: No comment.

# VIII. Lake Conway Water Elevation Report

David Woods presented the Water Elevation report.

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IX. Non-Agenda Items
No items discussed.

X. Meeting Adjourned

Bobby Lance adjourned the meeting at 8:29 pm.

Rabon Vause, Chairman

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Minutes prepared by Tara Urbanik

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