

**Lake Conway Water and Navigation Control District Advisory Board
Regular Meeting
Orange County Facilities Management Training Room
September 11, 2018**

Board Members Present: Rabon Vause (Chairman), Bobby Lance (Vice-Chairman) and Frances Guthrie

Board Members Absent: Micky Blackton and Gary Meloon

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

Residents: Billy Sunday, Lori Sunday, Linda Winter, Dan Drummond, Cindy Lance, Alan Horn, Kay Maguire, Jonathon Hastis, David Woods and Ralph Rocheford

I. Call to Order

With a quorum present, Rabon (Ray) Vause called the meeting of the Lake Conway Water and Navigation Control District Advisory Board (Advisory Board) to order at 6:33 p.m.

II. Approval of the August 14, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Ms. Guthrie pointed out an incorrect statement in the minutes that Ray Vause and Gary Meloon were absent during one of the motions, when in fact they were present. Ms. Urbanik concurred with the correction. Chairman Vause edited and initialed the minutes to reflect the correct verbiage.

Upon a motion by Frances Guthrie, seconded by Bobby Lance, and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice vote, with Micky Blackton and Gary Meloon being absent; the Advisory Board approved the edited August 14, 2018 meeting minutes.

III. Public Comment on Propositions before the Advisory Board

Chairman Vause received five requests from residents to speak during the public comment period.

Dan Drummond, a resident of Camelot by the Lake, stated he is not aware with what happened in the past, but he thinks their community's lakeshore has looked terrible in recent years. He believes the residents have been disenchanted with the way they were treated by the Environmental Protection Division (EPD), and as a result, the community's lakefront has been a low priority for the residents. Mr. Drummond thinks their lakefront is not kept up, there is muck around the shoreline, and it needs to get cleaned up. He additionally stated the topic has been presented to the Advisory Board before, and to EPD for a decision. Mr. Drummond encourages the Advisory Board to keep the topic moving forward.

Linda Winter, a resident and representative of the Board of Directors at Camelot by the Lake, shared pictures of the community's lakefront from 1989 and the present day, to show the aesthetic difference between the two time periods.

Ralph Rocheford, a resident of Camelot by the Lake, shared photographs of what the community's lakefront used to look like. He stated their lakefront provides recreation and includes nine mooring locations for the residents. There is a concern with the lakefront vegetation and protruding cypress knees affecting the use of the mooring locations. There is also a concern with amoebas and the amount of muck and other wildlife near the shoreline, and he requested the Advisory Board to help push the topic forward.

Lori Sunday, a resident of Camelot by the Lake, requested EPD to support them to get their community's lakefront beach back.

Bob Francis, City Manager of Belle Isle (City), stated October 2, 2018 is the Public Hearing for the Cross Lake Beach Purchase Request. Additionally, there is a settlement agreement between the City and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) to post Restricted Hunting Area signs around Lake Conway, which will require hunters to obtain a special permit from FWC and the City to hunt within the City limits of Lake Conway.

IV. Comments of the Chairman

Chairman Vause thanked residents for attending the meeting and for providing their comments and concerns to the Advisory Board.

V. Orange County EPD Report

Clarification of Off-Duty Lake Patrol Schedule

Ms. Urbanik requested a clarification on the days of weeks and timeframes approved for off-duty patrol. Corporal Lowers stated for the fall schedule, off-duty typically patrols on Saturday and Sunday. Vice Chair Lance requested the City and County continue to coordinate their schedules with each other.

Upon a motion by Frances Guthrie, seconded by Bobby Lance, and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice vote; with Micky Blackton and Gary Meloon being absent, the Advisory Board approved the City of Belle Isle to invoice for off-duty patrol during Labor Day weekend, 4th of July Holiday and Memorial Day weekend, notwithstanding Orange County Sheriff's Office on-duty patrol.

Corporal Lowers recommended reducing off-duty hours to only the weekends starting the end of September.

Sunshine Law Update

Ms. Urbanik presented a PowerPoint created by the Orange County Attorney's Office on the public records and Sunshine Law requirements to the Advisory Board.

VI. Marine Patrol Report

Corporal Lowers presented the off-duty patrol report; a handout was provided. Two minor boating accidents occurred at the Randolph Avenue boat ramp, but neither accident qualified

under the requirement that FWC dictates as a reportable boating accident. Discussion ensued. Corporal Lowers advised that the Orange County Sheriff's Office cannot enforce the City's hunting restriction ordinance.

VII. Advisory Board Member Report

- Chairman Ray Vause: Chairman Vause thanked Commissioner Clarke for his service to Orange County and to the Advisory Board. He has attended many of the meetings and has been a true asset to the Advisory Board, and thanked him for supporting the group.
- Vice Chairman Bobby Lance: Vice Chair Lance stated, since his time on the Advisory Board, Commissioner Clarke has attended many more meetings than any other County Commissioner, and he appreciates the support. Commissioner Clarke stated at the September 11, 2018 BCC meeting, water elevations were expressed as a concern by Commissioner VanderLey, and will be reviewed again at the next BCC meeting.
- Frances Guthrie: No comment.

VIII. Lake Conway Water Elevation Report

David Woods presented his Water Elevation report. Mr. Woods described the fluctuating lake level on the Conway Chain of Lakes. He mentioned there are a few hurricanes out on the horizon which could impact the water elevation of the Conway Chain of Lakes.

IX. Non-Agenda Items

Vice Chair Lance thanked the residents from Camelot by the Lake for attending the meeting and showing that they care.

X. Meeting Adjourned

Chairman Vause adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.



Rabon Vause, Chairman

October 9, 2018
Date



Minutes prepared by Tara Urbanik

10/19/18
Date