Butler Chain of Lakes Advisory Board Windermere Water and Navigation Control District Regular Meeting – Chain of Lakes Middle School Monday, June 18, 2018

Board Members Present: Ijaz Ahmed (Chair), Albert Gallof, Lloyd Woosley (Vice-Chair)

Board Members Absent: Lee Chira

Staff & Support: David Hansen, Orange County Environmental Protection Division (EPD) Lt. Jeff Hudson, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC)

Guests: Jay Williams, Bob McKinley (Windermere Town Council), Lori and Emmett Bradford

I. Call to Order:

With a quorum present, Chair Ijaz Ahmed called the meeting of the Butler Chain of Lakes Advisory Board (Advisory Board) to order at 5:35 P.M.

II. Approval of the June 18, 2018 Meeting Agenda:

Upon a motion by Lloyd Woosley, seconded by Albert Gallof, and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice vote, with Lee Chira being absent; the Advisory Board approved the June 18, 2018 meeting Agenda as presented.

III. Approval of May 21, 2018 Meeting Minutes:

Upon a motion by Albert Gallof, seconded by Ijaz Ahmed, and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice vote, with Lee Chira being absent; the Advisory Board approved the May 21, 2018 meeting Minutes as presented.

IV. Public Comment on Propositions before the Advisory Board:

Lori Bradford asked if a presentation on the MSTU budget could be given showing an accounting of funds taken in through the MSTU assessment. She expressed concern on whether or not all funds collected were used exclusively for MSTU activities. Ijaz Ahmed and Albert Gallof questioned whether or not these funds rolled over each year or if unspent funds were used for other purposes. A suggestion was made to possibly conduct an independent audit to assure that funds were being used exclusively for MSTU purposes. David Hansen mentioned that the funds did rollover to the next year and that they were used for MSTU activities only.

Lori Bradford asked if there was an on-going inventory of wetlands that have been impacted over time through permitted activities.if there is an inventory of existing wetlands on Butler Chain, (impacted and not impacted) and if we should seek an accounting of them for preservation and potential upgrades to them.

David Hansen said that he would check with the permitting staff if such an inventory existed.

Lloyd Woosley asked Bob McKinley about a stormwater project in the Town of Windermere and a brief discussion ensued. Mr. Woosley reiterated that the Advisory Board may be able to provide assistance to the Town on water quality improvement projects.

V. Butler Marine Patrol Report:

Jeff Hudson reported that the Butler Patrol provided 176.5 hours of patrol time in May. They inspected 99 vessels and made contact with 366 users. They issued 40 warnings, 3 Citations and assisted 12 vessels.

No noise complaints were reported to the officers. The largest number of boats that were noticed on Bird Island at any given time by the officers was 25.

VI. EPD Report:

1. Current Projects

David Hansen reported that he had contacted the vice-president at Bay Hill (Mr. Saunders) to request permission to update the 2010 Environmental Research and Design (ERD) Lake Tibet Sub-Basins 1 and 2 Evaluation. He also reported that he would set up a meeting with Mr. Saunders and Dr. Harvey Harper of ERD to discuss the ERD proposal for updating the evaluation.

Mr. Hansen passed out copies of the final draft of the Wauseon Bay bathymetric evaluation from ERD. He briefly described the options and costs for mitigating the potential phosphorus loading from the muck present in Wauseon Bay as outlined in the report. It was agreed to ask Dr. Harvey Harper from ERD, author of the report, to come to the September Advisory Board meeting to go over the methodology, findings and recommendations from the report.

Mr. Hansen reported that EPD staff was working on the bid package for replacement of the navigation markers on the Butler Chain of Lakes, Conway Chain of Lakes and Big Sand Lake. He said that it was hoped a contractor would be selected and be able to begin the replacement by this fall (Sept. or Oct.).

Mr. Hansen reported that he was seeking a geotechnical investigation at the Lake Down alum facility. He said that there was water bypassing the weir through the surrounding ground. The geotechnical investigation will help determine if the weir and supporting structure could be undermined if the bypass continued.

Mr. Hansen reported that the quarterly vegetation surveys on lakes on the Butler Chain should begin after the July 4th holiday.

Mr. Hansen handed out the results of the prioritization exercise that was performed at the May 21, 2018 meeting. There was a brief discussion of the results.

2. Future Projects

Mr. Hansen suggested that the Lake Butler Sub-Basin 10 project be considered a future project until the <u>Property property Manager manager</u> at Lake Butler Sound re-establishes contact.

3. Meeting Schedule

The next meeting of the Advisory Board is scheduled for July 16, 2018.

VII. Member Reports:

- 1. Ijaz Ahmed: no report
- 2. Lee Chira: no report
- **3.** Lloyd Woosley: Reported that he decided not to bring forward a state-sponsored initiative for, predominately, springs and springsheds and alternative sewage disposal systems.
- 4. Albert Gallof: no report

VIII. Non-Agenda Items:

None

IX. Meeting Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

Ijaz Ahmed, Chair

Date

David Hansen, Minute Preparer

Date