

**Butler Chain of Lakes Advisory Board
Windermere Water and Navigation Control District
Regular Meeting – Chain of Lakes Middle School
Monday, July 16, 2018**

Board Members Present: Ijaz Ahmed (Chair), Albert Gallof, Lorraine Burch

Board Members Absent: Lee Chira, Lloyd Woosley (Vice-Chair)

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

Guests: Mayor Gary Bruhn (Town of Windermere), Bob McKinley (Windermere Town Council), Lori Bradford, Jay Williams

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 5:40 p.m.

Lorraine Burch was welcomed as the new member to the Advisory Board.

II. Approval of the July 16, 2018 Meeting Agenda:

Upon a motion by Albert Gallof, seconded by Lorraine Burch, and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice vote, with Lee Chira and Lloyd Woosley being absent; the Advisory Board approved the July 16, 2018 meeting Agenda as presented.

III. Approval of June 18, 2018 Meeting Minutes:

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

IV. Public Comment on Propositions before the Advisory Board:

Lori Bradford was recognized and commented on three items. The first item was the prioritization exercise that Advisory Board members had completed at the last meeting. She questioned the intent of the prioritization exercise and that it should include public input and discussion. David Hansen explained that the exercise was meant to gauge member's priorities for broad topics that they were currently addressing. Secondly, she expressed concern with her perception that the Advisory Board was not adhering to the Sunshine Law. She noted that members had communicated discussion items by e-mail outside of meetings. David Hansen mentioned to the Advisory Board members that a review of the Sunshine Law may be

appropriate. Ms. Bradford's third concern was over the recommendation in a recent study to use aluminum sulfate for a whole lake treatment to sequester nutrients in Wauseon Bay. She stated she had contacted both FDEP and the ERP/Environmental Science section of SFWMD and reported that they confirmed to her that alum for a whole lake treatment had never occurred on an OFW, further reporting that other methods were suggested to her that should be investigated including measures undertaken by the Conway Chain of Lakes.

David Hansen pointed out that this was a recommendation that had yet to be discussed by a quorum of the Advisory Board.

Mayor Gary Bruhn from Windermere asked if efforts were continuing for the protection of Bird Island. He mentioned that meetings had been held with a number of agencies and that there seemed to be interest in providing signage and other means to lessen the recreational impacts to the island. David Hansen noted that there was a lingering issue of ownership that needed to be resolved before moving forward.

V. Butler Marine Patrol Report:

Officers provided 254 hours of patrol for the month of June. They made contact with 280 vessels and 634 users. They assisted 11 vessels and had 65 educational contacts. They issued 8 citations and 115 warnings. The largest number of vessels at Bird Island at any given time was 50. Officers assisted a resident whose Jet Ski dock broke loose and was floating in Lake Butler. An officer arrested an individual for Boating Under the Influence, Possession of Marijuana, Drug Paraphernalia and Possession of Alcohol Under 21 on Tibet Butler. Another officer made contact with 5 intoxicated individuals that were getting ready to leave the Park in Windermere by vehicle. It was determined none of the young men were sober enough to drive. Windermere PD assisted with the call. A subject was arrested for Possession of Alcohol Under 21. EMS was called and transported one of the subjects for possible alcohol poisoning.

VI. EPD Report:

1. Current Projects

David Hansen reiterated that the Advisory Board would re-visit the Wauseon Bay bathymetric evaluation at the September 2018 meeting.

Mr. Hansen mentioned that the update to the Lake Tibet Sub-Basin 1&2 Nutrient Source Evaluation would begin in late September or early October 2018.

Mr. Hansen informed the Advisory Board members that he was consulting with a geotechnical engineering firm regarding the outfall flume at the Lake Down Alum Facility.

Mr. Hansen reported that vegetation surveys were currently underway on the Butler Chain. He mentioned that Lake Down would most likely warrant hydrilla treatment.

Mr. Hansen reported that the bid package had been sent out to hire a contractor for the navigation marker replacement. The initial estimate of cost was \$400,000.

2. Future Projects

Mr. Hansen suggested that the Lake Butler Sub-Basin 10 project be considered on hold until further notice. The County is currently waiting for permission from the property manager to access the property in order to conduct a feasibility assessment.

3. Meeting Schedule

The next meeting of the Advisory Board is scheduled for August 29, 2018.

VII. Member Reports:

1. **Ijaz Ahmed:** Ijaz mentioned that there were 5 new lots on Fish Lake that were selling for \$1 million each.
2. **Lee Chira:** not present
3. **Lorraine Burch:** Lorraine requested general information on septic tanks and inputs. David Hamstra said he would be able to provide her with information.
4. **Lloyd Woosley:** not present
5. **Albert Gallof:** no report

VIII. Non-Agenda Items:

None

IX. Meeting Adjournment:

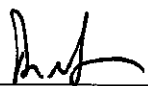
The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.



Ijaz Ahmed, Chair

10/15/18

Date



David Hansen, Minute Preparer

10/15/18

Date