

**Butler Chain of Lakes Advisory Board  
Windermere Water and Navigation Control District  
Regular Meeting – Chain of Lakes Middle School  
Monday, March 27, 2017**

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**Board Members Present:** Ann Connolly, Ijaz Ahmed (Chair), Albert Gallof, Lloyd Woosley (Vice-Chair), Lee Chira

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Staff & Guests:** David Hansen, Orange County Environmental Protection Division (EPD)

**Residents:** Lori Bradford

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**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 March 27, 2017 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 March 27, 2017 meeting agenda as presented.

**III. Approval of the February 27, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes:**

Upon a motion by Albert Gallof, seconded by Lloyd Woosley, and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice vote, with Lee Chira being absent; the Advisory Board approved the February 27, 2017 regular meeting minutes as presented.

Lee Chira entered the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

**IV. Public Comment on Propositions Before the Advisory Board:**

There was no public comment.

**V. Butler Marine Patrol Report:**

David Hansen reported the following Butler Patrol activities for the month of February 2017:

The Butler Patrol provided 92 hours of patrol time in February. They inspected 56 vessels and made contact with 150 users. They assisted 1 disabled vessel, gave 30 warnings and issued 2 Boating Citations. They completed the survey for the restricted zone signage on the chain. They handled 1 minor boating accident and responded to a 911 call at a residence on the Butler Chain.

No noise complaints were reported to the officers. The average number of vessels that were at Bird Island on the weekends was 17. The greatest number was 27 and the majority of them were PWCs.

## **VI. EPD Report:**

### **1. Current Projects**

David Hansen reported that Environmental Research & Design, Inc (ERD) was under contract and that the Wauseon Bay bathymetric survey would begin soon.

Mr. Hansen mentioned that EPD was pursuing a grant for partial funding of the new navigation markers on the Butler Chain and several other lakes.

Mr. Hansen reminded the Advisory Board members of the planned Earth Day event including the cleanup of Egret Island. Ms. Lori Bradford, claiming partial ownership of Egret Island, suggested that anyone coming on the island should be considered to be trespassing and that any and all liabilities should be borne by the individual and Orange County. She further requested that no new navigation or regulatory markers be placed within the parcel she owns which includes some of the area between Egret Island and the Lake Butler shoreline.

Mr. Hansen mentioned that the Backyard Best Management Practices (BMP) documentation was being reviewed by the County Attorney's office.

Mr. Hansen reported that a "Town Hall" type meeting discussed at the previous meeting could be held during or as a regular meeting with invitations to the District 1 Commissioner and others.

### **2. Future Projects**

Mr. Lee Chira led a discussion that included the previously discussed sampling of water coming into Lake Tibet from the Bay Hill community as well as the potential for better coverage of the street sweeping activities in this community. He mentioned the opportunity to show this and other communities the importance of engaging in and promoting these activities to maintain and/or improve the water quality in lakes in general.

Another discussion among the Advisory Board members was about muck. Questions ranged from what comprises muck to what can be done about it along shorelines and building up on canal and lake bottoms. Lloyd Woosley suggested that a series of fact

sheets should be developed to inform residents and others about facts regarding muck and other issues/questions as they arise. He mentioned that he would be able to volunteer time to work on these fact sheets as needed.

### 3. Meeting Schedule

The next meeting of the Advisory Board will be scheduled for April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

## VII. Member Reports:

1. **Ann Connolly:** No report
2. **Ijaz Ahmed:** No report
3. **Lee Chira:** No report
4. **Lloyd Woosley:** No report
5. **Albert Gallof:** Requested that a discussion of canal maintenance be included on the agenda for the next regular meeting.

## VIII. Non-Agenda Items:

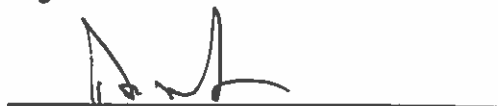
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## IX. Meeting Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

  
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Ijaz Ahmed, Chair

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David Hansen, Minute Preparer

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