



CITY OF BELLE ISLE, FL

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MEMORANDUM

From the Desk of Bob Francis, City Manager

To: Mayor and Council
Date: July 14, 2021
Re: Lake Conway Navigation Board Meeting

NOTE: This memo is to provide information only and is NOT an official record of the Lake Conway Navigation Board Meeting. Please refer to the Lake Conway Navigation Board adopted minutes for the official record.

Synopsis of the July 13, 2021 Lake Conway Navigation Board Meeting

1. Public Comment: Sara Dilmore, 7998 Willoughby Lane, asked the Board when it might be possible to dredge the Willoughby Canal because with low water she cannot get her boat out. The Board stated that they are going through a canal sediment study at this time so they will not know until the study is completed. Ms. Urbanik stated that Ms. Dilmore could get a permit to dredge near her dock and will provide her with information on acquiring a permit.
2. Comments from the Chairman: Chair Nelson thanked everyone involved with the alum treatment on Lake Gatlin.
3. Marine Patrol Report: Orange County marine Officer Lowers gave the report. There was discussion on the number of hours that the OCSO and BIPD patrol the lake. Also, Chief Houston stated that BIPD will be providing their own report to the Board on the number of violations and no longer combining those with the OCSO report. Ms. Urbanik stated that she received an objection by Edgewood resident Alan Horn to the motion passed by the Board at the last meeting which approved an additional 200 hours for the BIPD Marine patrol; therefore it was put back on the agenda. After several minutes of discussion, a motion was passed by the Board to increase the BIPD Marine Patrol hours up to an additional 200 hours from now until December 31st and then the Board will review the number of hours in January 2022 and make a determination based on the reports provided by the OCSO and BIPD.
4. Water Elevation Report: No report was given. The chart is attached.

5. EPD Report:
 - a. Lake Gatlin Alum Treatment: Ms. Urbanik showed photos of the results of the alum treatment. The Board was satisfied with the results.
 - b. Canal Sediment Analysis Update: Ms. Urbanik stated that the study was ongoing.
 - c. Lake Conway Stormwater Study Project Update: Ms. Urbanik asked if the City received it's reimbursement for the pet waste stations. City Manager Francis stated that they did receive the reimbursement and also the City received the \$94,020 reimbursement for the Delia Beach project. Ms. Urbanik stated that the County is looking favorably at the Wallace Field drainage project and that the City needs to send her a plan. Mr. Francis stated that he would as soon as it's ready. The Board voted to continue to support this project and also to support incorporating the Matchett drainage project to this project. Mr. Francis also stated that many of the projects in the study that are located in Belle Isle may be funded through the American Recovery Plan Act. The City and County will continue to discuss these projects when funding is available.
 - d. Street Sweeping Optimization Study: Ms. Urbanik stated that members of the EPD staff did not think this study needed to be done. Board Member Evertsen said he did not want this to be a scientific study but just to see if the contractor is providing the service as stated in the contract. After discussion, the board decided to cancel the study.
 - e. Lake Cleanup: Ms. Urbanik announced that a cleanup of the Lake, focusing on the cove and area around the peninsula on the north side of the middle lobe will be done on August 14th about 5:00 PM. They will be using kayaks to do the cleanup. The organization doing the cleanup is the Central Florida RECON. The City will provide parking passes to volunteers so they can park at Venetian Ramp to launch. The City will inform the residents in this area of the event.
6. Advisory Member Reports: No significant reports were rendered by Board members.
7. Non-Agenda Items: None
8. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Attachments

- Nav Board Agenda
- Minutes of June 8, 2021 Meeting
- BIPD & OCSO Marine Report
- Lake Report (Chart)

LAKE CONWAY WATER AND NAVIGATION CONTROL DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

**July 13, 2021 at 6:30 P.M. at the Orange County Facilities Management
Training Room, & via Webex**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. Approval of the Minutes
- III. Public Comment
- IV. Comments of the Chairman
- V. Marine Patrol Report
 - BIPD Off-Duty Patrol Hours Increase Request
- VI. Lake Conway Water Elevation Report
- VII. Orange County EPD Report
 - Lake Gatlin Alum Treatment Update
 - Canal Sedimentation Analysis Update
 - Lake Conway Stormwater Study Project Update
 - Street Sweeping Optimization Study Scope
 - Lake Cleanup
- VIII. Advisory Board Member Report
 - Chair Dr. Elizabeth Nelson
 - Vice Chair Frances Guthrie
 - Bobby Lance
 - Micky Blackton
 - John Evertsen
- IX. Non - Agenda Items
- X. Meeting Adjourned

WHEN SPEAKING, PLEASE GIVE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS

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**Lake Conway Water and Navigation Control District
Advisory Board Regular Meeting
June 8, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.
Orange County Facilities Management Training Room and Webex**

Board Members Present: Dr. Elizabeth Nelson² (Chair), Frances Guthrie² (Vice Chair) Bobby Lance², Micky Blackton², and John Evertsen²

Board Members Absent: None

Staff & Guests: Tara Urbanik², Melissa Lavigne¹, and Tim Hull¹, Orange County Environmental Protection Division (EPD); Corporal Bim Lowers¹, Orange County Sheriff's Office (OCSO); City Mayor Nick Fouraker² and City Manager Bob Francis², City of Belle Isle (City); Chief Laura Houston² and Sergeant Jeremy Millis², Belle Isle Police Department (BIPD); David Woods¹

Residents: Alan Horn¹, Adam Branom¹, Debbie Botwin¹, Woody Johnson¹, Rhonda Danovan², Debra Hendry², Randy Holihan², Elizabeth Gibson², Melanie Gaylord², Cindy Lance², Mark Klein¹

¹ Denotes attended via Webex

² Denotes attended in-person at Facilities Management Training Room

I. Call to Order

With a quorum present, Dr. Elizabeth Nelson called the meeting of the Lake Conway Water and Navigation Control District Advisory Board (Advisory Board) to order at 6:32 p.m.

II. Approval of the May 11, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Upon a motion by Micky Blackton, seconded by John Evertsen, and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice vote; the Advisory Board approved the May 11, 2021 meeting minutes.

III. Public Comment on Propositions before the Advisory Board

Chair Dr. Nelson received three public comment requests. Anita Sacco submitted an email to Ms. Urbanik for public comment, and is in support of increasing the off-duty patrol hours to the Belle Isle Police Department (BIPD). Debra Hendry stated her concerns with jet ski safety, excess trash within the lake and the noise concern on the lake. Ms. Hendry shared a document that contained explicit song lyrics. Mark Klein stated his concern with the noise, creating a No Wake Zone, and having increased police presence at the Sandbar.

IV. Comments of the Chair

Chair Dr. Nelson did not have any comments.

V. Marine Patrol Report

Corporal Lowers presented the marine patrol report. For the month of May 2021, the following activities were reported:

- 977 vessels observed on the lake
- 111 vessel stops
- 44 vessel citations
- 57 vessel warnings
- 45 vessel inspections
- 84 ramp checks
- 1 patrol assist/back up

BIPD Request

The BIPD requested an additional 200 hours of off-duty patrol to assist with addressing the outstanding safety concerns on the Conway Chain of Lakes. Discussion ensued. Mr. Lance requested that instead of the City requesting additional patrol funds each year, if the BIPD can do a study to determine what funding the City will require in the upcoming years. Mr. Evertsen agreed with Mr. Lance's sentiments. Mr. Blackton stated his comment that the OCSO has helicopters and a dive team, if there is a tragedy on the lake, the OCSO has the resources to properly address the concern, and has a concern the BIPD may be underfunded for these lake patrol purposes. Vice Chair Frances expressed her appreciation that two agencies patrol the Chain of Lakes, agrees with the funding study, and has a concern that extra money is going to patrol and public safety while there are outstanding water quality projects to be considered. Vice Chair Frances stated the millage rate should be considered while addressing all of these projects the Advisory Board reviews.

Upon a motion by John Evertsen, seconded by Bobby Lance, and carried with four members voting AYE, and Micky Blackton voting NAY by voice vote; the Advisory Board approved increasing the BIPD off-duty patrol by 200 hours.

VI. Lake Conway Water Elevation Report

David Woods presented his water elevation report. May has been a dry month, but it is anticipated the rainy season will start soon, but these are typical trends for rainfall and water levels.

VII. Orange County EPD Report

Ms. Urbanik noted that Mr. Evertsen was added to a stakeholder list for when public comment can be considered for the fertilizer ordinance update. Educational brochures were sent out to City of Edgewood and COBI to disperse to their residents. An informational fertilizer postcard will also be sent out to the taxing district.

Lake Gatlin Alum Treatment Update

The second alum treatment is scheduled for June 28-30, 2021. Notification postcards will be sent out to the lakefront residents.

Canal Sedimentation Analysis Scope Update

The subcontractor needed to obtain additional sampling on a couple of the canals. Once all the data is confirmed to be complete, the draft report will be ready for review.

Lake Conway Stormwater Study Project Update

Ms. Urbanik shared a spreadsheet of the current and proposed water quality projects for Lake Conway.

1. Underground up-flow filter at East Wallace Street: This project will be discussed with Orange County Public Works to determine if there are proposed improvements in this area.
2. Baffle box at Barby Lane: Mr. Francis is working with Harris Engineering to determine location for the proposed structure.
3. Delia Beach stormwater improvements: The cost share approval request is being processed.
4. Pet waste stations at City lakefront parks: The cost share approval request is being processed.

Street Sweeping Optimization Study Scope

EPD has requested a scope for this request.

Lake Cleanup

Central Florida RECON is proposing a lake cleanup in the cove south of Hoffner Road. This cleanup is planned for August 2021. The BIPD is interested in coordinating their efforts with this event.

VIII. Advisory Board Member Report

- Chair Dr. Elizabeth Nelson: No comments.
- Vice Chair Frances Guthrie: There were items noted in public comment that were not addressed. The notification for in-lake parties was discussed.
- Bobby Lance: Mr. Lance questioned, and the attendees discussed, where individuals can physically walk, and where vessels can enter and anchor on sovereign land, within a riparian lakefront private residence area.
- Micky Blackton: No comments.
- John Evertsen: Mr. Evertsen asked if the marine patrol report can be included as part of the official meeting minutes. Ms. Urbanik stated the report can be included in the County Calendar website. Mr. Evertsen requested having a presentation for vegetation bio-base mapping at an upcoming advisory board meeting.

IX. Non-Agenda Items

No additional questions or comments were noted in the Webex chat during the request for Non-Agenda Items.

Discussion provided from chat feature in Webex meeting:

- From Tara Urbanik to everyone: Alan, can you hear us?
- From Alan to everyone: Yes.
- From Alan to everyone: I just don't have a microphone.
- From Alan to everyone: Yes.
- From Alan to everyone: Very clear.
- From Alan to everyone: I didn't realize we were back to in person. Hopefully I'll see you all next month.
- From Tara Urbanik to everyone: Yes, this is the first month back in person, and we're trying a blended meeting.
- From Alan to everyone: Please mute your audio.
- From Adam Branom (privately): Hi Tara. Can you mute call-in user_3?
- From Tara Urbanik to everyone: Are there any other public comments?
- From Adam Branom (privately): Ben is trying to talk (user 2).
- From Alan to everyone: Ben is trying to talk.
- From Adam Branom (privately): User 3 has a TV going in the background.
- From Alan to everyone: I can hear Ben.
- From Alan to everyone: Yes.
- From Alan to everyone: We can hear you Tara. I can hear the other webex viewers.
- From Alan to everyone: You should offer public comment on any vote.
- From Alan to everyone: You should open to public comment on any vote, especially related to tax payer expenditures.
- From Tara Urbanik to everyone: Alan, the Nav Board follows Robert's Rules of Order, and we are in the middle of an active motion, with the Advisory Board providing their comments. The Chair may call on an individual, or they may wait until non-agenda to speak.
- From Alan (privately): Was that potential vote regarding additional MSTU funding being directed to BIPD advertised on the agenda? If not, I request that the vote be properly noticed and on the agenda for next meeting or a subsequent meeting.
- From Alan (privately): Please see my email. I am not stating my opinion for or against the vote. I am stating that public comment regarding reallocation of funds should be open to public comment if not on the agenda.

X. Meeting Adjourned

Chair Dr. Nelson adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

Elizabeth Nelson, Chair

Date

Minutes prepared by Tara Urbanik

Date

Datum based on Hoffner Bridge
Gauge, OCBM L-1058-006

Lake Conway 2021 Elevations (NAVD 88)

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