

**BURNT STORE ISLES  
CANAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING  
JULY 12, 2011**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Gary Brewster, Chairman  
Thomas Mays, Norman Ashworth, Frank Wiechec

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Leslie Totten

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Rick Keeney, Public Works Director  
Randy Brodersen, Canal Maintenance Supervisor

**CALL TO ORDER/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. Roll Call
- B. Next Scheduled Meeting – Tuesday, August 09, 2011
- Consensus was to cancel the August 09, 2011 meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. Regular Meeting – June 14, 2011
- Mr. Ashworth MOVED, Mr. Mays SECONDED approval of the June 14, 2011 Minutes.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**CANAL MAINTENANCE MONTHLY REPORTS**

- A. Permits Authorized by City Staff – Installation of Docks, Lifts, Outpilings, etc.
  - Mr. Randy Brodersen, Canal Maintenance Supervisor, advised two permits were issued in June 2011.
- B. Budget Utilization Report – June 2011
  - Mr. Brodersen distributed copies of the June 2011 Budget Utilization Report, as delineated within the agenda material, offering to answer questions.
  - Mr. Ashworth asked if any walls had fallen due to recent rains.
  - Mr. Brodersen responded only one wall located on Bastia Court.
  - Mr. Brewster advised dirt on the vacant lot on Mondovi Court, used for a canal maintenance staging area, had washed into the canal during recent rains. He suggested the dirt piles be covered during the rainy season.
  - Mr. Brodersen replied erosion control measures should have been in place as required by the City, offering to check all staging areas for compliance.
  - Mr. Wiechec asked who was responsible for maintenance of the boat lock, stating the rubber bumpers were damaged and in need of replacement.
  - Mr. Brodersen advised it was Canal Maintenance’s responsibility, offering to inspect same. He then asked if members had received reports or complaints of dredging issues.

- Mr. Brewster replied negatively, suggesting a memo be drafted to notify various boat clubs and associations where to report dredging concerns.
- Mr. Brodersen agreed to draft a memo for disbursement.
- Mr. Wiechec stated the area where the rip-rap had been removed was an ongoing concern.
- Mr. Mays clarified the area aforementioned was Richard's Cut.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

- A. GA-10-11: An ordinance of the City of Punta Gorda, Florida, amending Chapter 6, "Boats, Docks and Waterways," Article 1, Section 6-6(c)(4)(d), Punta Gorda Code, requiring all new boat docks or slips to be used for the berthing of boats on a long-term basis and the conversion of existing docks or slips to be used for the berthing of boats on a long-term basis in the Burnt Store Isles subdivision (PGI Section 15) to have boat lifts or davits; requiring the recording of a restrictive covenant for the construction of new boat docks or slips which are not to be used for the berthing of boats on a long-term basis; adding a grandfather provision for existing boat docks and slips; providing for conflict and severability and providing an effective date.
- Mr. Rick Keeney, Director of Public Works, directed member's attention to the draft ordinance, as delineated within the agenda material, requesting a motion.
- Mr. Mays MOVED, Mr. Wiechec SECONDED approval of the ordinance as drafted. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Strategic Plan Review & Comment – Rick Keeney  
Mr. Keeney drew the Committee's attention to the Strategic Plan, as delineated within the agenda material stating each year the City Manager requested input from various stakeholders. He explained any suggestions or visions for new projects would be brought to the City Manager for consideration. He advised ideas could be submitted collectively from the Committee or individually, giving examples of previous ideas to include projects such as the Mooring Fields and implementation of the Geographical Information System.
- Mr. Brewster questioned the status of the West Mooring Field.
- Mr. Keeney recalled hearing the Urban Design Division was planning to apply for grant money regarding said project, advising he was unsure of the status.
- Mr. Wiechec questioned the amount of usage of the East Mooring Field.
- Mr. Keeney responded he was unsure, recalling a large amount of boats over the July 4, 2011, weekend. He then confirmed the deadline of August 19, 2011, for suggestion submittals for the Strategic Plan.

- Mr. Mays asked if Canal Maintenance was still responsible for maintaining the French drains along Tripoli Boulevard.
- Mr. Brodersen responded affirmatively, acknowledging recent problems with the deterioration of the fiber socks used for absorbing oil and sediments coming off the road. He advised maintenance was scheduled for same.

#### **STAFF COMMENTS**

- Mr. Brodersen alerted the Committee of a recent attempted distraction theft, explaining a man impersonating an employee of the City's marine contractor gained entrance to a resident's home. He stated the man was asked to leave and did so without incident and a police report was made but advised members to be aware of such activities in the area.
- Mr. Brewster asked if the Police Department intended to circulate an advisory regarding same.
- Mr. Brodersen stated after speaking with Sergeant Joe King he wrote an advisory to be included in the City Manager's Weekly Highlights Report, offering to copy members on same for distribution to various homeowners associations, boat clubs, etc.

#### **COMMITTEE/BOARD COMMENTS**

- Mr. Brewster referred to prior conversations regarding stencils being supplied to volunteers for repainting the minimum wake signs on seawalls, requesting guidelines for scheduling same.
- Mr. Wiechec recommended waiting for winter months when tides were lower.
- Mr. Keeney advised members a new release form had been created for volunteers to sign before beginning work.
- Mr. Brewster advised when entering the perimeter canal through the boat lock, there was an elevvert located on Candia Drive that was a navigational hazard, stating it appeared to extend too far into the channel.
- Mr. Wiechec agreed, stating when the elevvert was down the beams protruded beyond a safe distance, adding a boat had recently hit the beams and incurred significant damage. He requested staff check into compliance of the elevvert.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

- Meeting Adjourned: 1:56 p.m.

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Gary Brewster, Chairman

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Perri Turner, Recording Secretary