

**BURNT STORE ISLES
CANAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING
FEBRUARY 11, 2020**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike McIntosh, Chairman
Norman Ashworth, Randall Bowdish
Rick Daugherty, Charles Longenbarger

OTHERS PRESENT: Cathy Miller, Canal Maintenance Supervisor
Gary Disher, Mapping, Permitting and Compliance Manager
Bob Nikula, Project Manager
Mike Parr, Winston Riggs

CALL TO ORDER/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Roll Call
- B. Next Scheduled Meeting
- 1. March 10, 2020

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

- None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. January 14, 2020
- Mr. Ashworth MOVED, Mr. Daugherty SECONDED approval of the January 14, 2020 minutes. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

REPORTS

- A. Finance Reports - January 2020
- Ms. Cathy Miller, Canal Maintenance Supervisor, confirmed there were no questions regarding the January 2020 reports.
- B. Budget Utilization Report - January 2020
- Ms. Miller briefly reviewed the January 2020 reports, offering to provide the mangrove trimming schedule to members once available.
- C. Seawall Replacement Status Reports - January 2020
- Ms. Miller announced two projects were under construction, as denoted in the agenda material.
- D. Permits Authorized by City Staff - January 2020
- Ms. Miller confirmed there were no questions regarding the permits.

- E. BSI Capital Improvement Status - January 2020
 - Mr. Gary Disher, Mapping, Permitting and Compliance Manager, announced staff met with the Seawall Alternative Material Project consultants and were continuing to work on the revisions needed for the final report, anticipating same would be available soon.
 - Mr. Daugherty questioned whether members could be provided with a draft of the report so as to provide feedback for same.
 - Mr. Disher stated he would verify with the city engineer whether he could do so. He then reported that the Burnt Store Isles (BSI) Inlet Widening Project was approved by the Development Review Committee and the City Engineer had submitted the requested additional information to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, noting the permitting process would take some time to be completed. He noted staff was working on the master permit agreement which would encompass the entire scope of the BSI Channel Corner Widening project. He then indicated funding for the BSI Inlet Widening Project would be discussed during budget preparation once a permit was received.
- F. Buckley's Pass Additional Harbor Access Project Update - January 2020
 - Mr. Disher reported the Buckley's Pass (additional harbor access) Project was progressing as expected, noting the City's YouTube channel containing footage of same had received 31,000 views. He concluded the project would be completed by mid-April 2020.

PUBLIC HEARING

- Recording Secretary Pues swore in all participants.
- A. Special Permit - CCSP-01-2020 - Petition for Special Permit under the provisions of Section 6-6(j) of the Punta Gorda Code to install a boat lift with three (3) boat lift pilings and a portion of a two (2) foot wide aluminum walkway outside the 45 degree angle which is prohibited by Section 6-6(c)4, Punta Gorda Code, at Lot 11, Block 256, Section 15, aka 572 Toulouse Drive, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950
 - Owner/Petitioner: Brandon Beals
 - Charlotte County Parcel ID: 412319428004
- Mr. Bob Nikula, Project Manager, displayed photographs of the subject property and proposed construction drawings from the agenda material, briefly reviewing the request and the criteria which must be met in order for a Canal Construction Special Permit to be approved. He concluded safe navigation of the waterways would not be impeded and staff recommended approval of the request.
- Mr. Bowdish questioned whether the neighboring property owner's suggestion to install the boat lift closer to the seawall was considered.

- Mr. Mike Parr, applicant's representative, explained vessel entry for the adjacent property owners would not be affected whether the proposed boat lift was constructed closer or further from the seawall.
- Discussion ensued regarding clarification of the dimensions for the proposed construction.
- Mr. McIntosh called three times for public comment.
- Mr. Bowdish MOVED, Mr. Daugherty SECONDED to close the public hearing. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- Mr. Bowdish MOVED, Mr. Ashworth SECONDED to approve CCSP-01-2020. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

NEW BUSINESS

- Ms. Miller announced assessment of the BSI seawall commenced this date and would continue on February 18, 2020.
- Mr. Disher displayed a photograph of a failed seawall located in Punta Gorda Isles where the seawall cap had previously been replaced, explaining such deterioration was the reason staff desired to replace the entire seawall panel rather than the seawall cap only.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

- Mr. Winston Rigg questioned whether his neighbor could navigate his six-foot-draft vessel through the Rim Canal during the summer months.
- Mr. McIntosh replied as long as there was high tide and no north winds, same might be possible.

ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting Adjourned: 1:56 p.m.

Mike McIntosh, Chairman

Leah Pues, Recording Secretary