

**Butler Chain of Lakes Advisory Board
Windermere Water and Navigation Control District (WWNCD)
Regular Meeting
Orange County - Windermere Library
January 27, 2014**

Board Members Present: Ann Connolly, Ijaz Ahmed and Robert Binkley

Board Members Absent: Cheryl Miller (Chair) and Jason Fulmer (Vice Chairperson)

Staff & Guests: Sergio Duarte, Orange County Environmental Protection Division (EPD).
Lt. Jeff Hudson, Butler Patrol

Residents: Molly Rose and Lori Bradford

I. Call to Order:

With a quorum present, Ann Connolly called the meeting of the Butler Chain of Lakes Advisory Board (BCLAB) to order at 6:05 p.m.

II. Approval of the November 18, 2013 Meeting Minutes:

Upon a motion by Ijaz Ahmed, seconded by Robert Binkley, with Cheryl Miller and Jason Fulmer being absent; and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice vote; the Advisory Board approved the November 18, 2013 meeting minutes as presented.

III. Public Comment on Propositions Before the Advisory Board: none

IV. Butler Marine Patrol Report:

Lt. Hudson presented the following reports for November and December 2013:

Report for November 2013

Total Patrol Hours	159
Uniform Boating Citations	0
Warnings Issued	12
Vessels inspected	36
Disabled Vessels Assisted	2

Report for December 2013

Total Patrol Hours	104
Uniform Boating Citations	0
Warnings Issued	13
Vessels inspected	64
Disabled Vessels Assisted	0

V. EPD Report:

- 1) **Conroy Windermere Road – Shoreline Restoration Proposal:** Mr. Duarte presented a restoration proposal for the shoreline adjacent to the Conroy Windermere Road. Mr. Duarte stated that the shoreline restoration project will be conducted in partnership with the Town of Windermere and the Isleworth Golf Country Club. The Advisory Board discussed the shoreline restoration project, and approved a donation of up to \$1,000 in beneficial plants, subject to the Town of Windermere (permit applicant) following EPD permit requirements.

Upon a motion by Robert Binkley, seconded by Ijaz Ahmed, with Cheryl Miller and Jason Fulmer being absent; and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice; the Advisory Board approved a donation of up to \$1,000 in beneficial plants for the Conroy Windermere Road - Shoreline Restoration Project.

- 2) **Down Sub-basin 9 - South Florida Water Management (SFWMD) District Grant:** Mr. Duarte discussed the draft SFWMD cost-share grant proposal, that includes: (a) \$50,000 for the installation of 70 baskets at Lake Down and Tibet, (b) \$20,000 for the engineering design & construction plans for the Lake Down Sub-basin 9 Stormwater project, and (c) \$95,000 for existing road swales improvements, the restoration of the Windermere Ridge wetland and the potential upgrade of the retention pond at Willow Park Drive.
- 3) **Lake Down Alum Treatment Facility:** Mr. Duarte stated that Orange County Public Works is ready to start the bid process in February 2014. Mr. Duarte stated that the construction of the Lake Down Alum Treatment Facility could start in June 2014.

VI. **New Business:** none

VII. **Old Business:**

- 1) **Egret Island - Restoration Proposal:** Mr. Duarte stated that OARS (Orlando Area Rowing Society at Lake Down) is schedule to do a “community service project at Egret Island” on April 19, 2014. Mr. Duarte stated that the Egret Island (Lake Butler) project will include the planting of 50 Cypress trees, the removal of 2,500 square feet of cattails, several exotic red bottle bush trees / air potato vines, and the planting of approximately 1,250 bulrushes. Mr. Duarte stated that he will bring the final cost proposal for the Advisory Board approval at the next meeting on February 17, 2014.

2) **SFWMD conservation easement over the wetland between Lakes Butler & Estes:** Lori Bradford discussed the concerns with future wetland clearings on the “SFWMD conservation easement” at the Waterstone Subdivision, and the potential opening of a navigation channel between Lake Butler and Estes (Cypress).

Mrs. Bradford discussed with the Advisory Board the following request for the SFWMD:

- (a) Notification from the SFWMD on all permit applications that impact lots 12-16 at the Waterstone Subdivision.
- (b) Determination of navigable areas within the SFWMD conservation easement at the Waterstone Subdivision, and if this particular conservation area has been properly recorded over the parcels that are now under private ownership.
- (c) Update on Jennifer Thomson’s (SFWMD) research on unsubstantiated claim of old Cypress logging at the Butler Chain.

(d) Information on Orange County plat restrictions on Lake Cypress - wetland frontage for the Waterstone Subdivision.

Mr. Duarte stated that he will pass the above "SFWMD request" to the EPD Permitting and Compliance Section, for their review and for this request to be forwarded or related to the SFWMD Permitting staff.

VIII. Non-Agenda Items/Public Comment: none

IX. Meeting Schedule:

Upon a motion by Robert Binkley, seconded by Ijaz Ahmed, with Cheryl Miller and Jason Fulmer being absent; and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice; the Advisory Board approved the next meeting for Monday, February 17, 2014.

X. Meeting Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Cheryl Miller, Chairman

Date

Sergio Duarte, Minute Preparer

Date