

**CITY OF MAITLAND
MINUTES OF THE LAKES ADVISORY BOARD (LAB)**

The Lakes Advisory Board was called to order on Wednesday, September 21, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman, Bill Randolph.

Members Present: Bill Randolph (Chairman), Marc Walch (Vice-Chairman), Beverly Reponen, John Wacker, Fred Venturoni, Gus Bobes Jr., and Rex Beech

Members Absent: None

City Staff Present: Gabrielle Milch, Lakes Management Coordinator
Tony Leffin, Public Works Director

Guests Present: Tim Egan, Winter Park's Lakes Manager
Elizabeth Peele, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Approval of the Minutes:

A motion was made by Marc Walch, seconded by Beverly Reponen to table the approval of the August 17, 2005 minutes because not enough Board members were present, who attended the August meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

When John Wacker arrived, the Board decided to reconsider the approval of the minutes. A motion was made by Fred Venturoni, seconded by Gus Bobes, to approve the August 17, 2005 minutes with one correction, which was to remove the comma after Rex Beech under Approval of Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

The motion was passed unanimously.

Lake Enforcement Report: Officer Stevens reported that in August officers worked 46.5 hours at Fort Maitland Park and on the Chain of Lakes. There were no reportable boating accidents, 50 boat inspections, 17 violations, 5 terminations, 2 assists, and 6 boaters were denied access, due to equipment inadequacies or lack of stickers. The Community Park reported they have sold 506 passes as of 9/14/05.

Chairman's Report: None

Public Period: None

Discussion: None

Staff Presentations:

Report on Aquatic Vegetation Survey

Gabrielle Milch stated she has been reviewing the Invasive Plant Permits. She received a call from DEP and they want to do an assessment. She stated she has set up an assessment program, surveying the lakes by counting the boat docks and seawalls, sampling the aquatic vegetation on the bottom of the lakes, surveying the outfalls, and measuring the depth of the muck. She is scheduled to meet with DEP on October 18, 2005 to review the permits.

Gabrielle Milch stated she has surveyed Lake Hope, Lake Charity, Lake Faith, Lake Catherine, Lake Eulalia, Lake Sybelia, Lake Gem and Park Lake. She stated that in Lake Gem there is a cattail rim, two and one half feet of muck, and the water clarity is poor.

Report on Lake Destiny

Gabrielle Milch stated she met with the HOA at Lake Destiny and Springwood Lakes regarding aquatic weed control on Lake Destiny. She stated that they came to an agreement that the HOA would set up an account through the City so that aquatic plant chemicals could be purchased at a government rate. She stated she advised them to wait until springtime to do the treatments, because of the rainy season. The HOA is going to begin their permitting process, because they do not have an aquatic weed control permit. The City has a permit for Lake Destiny, but it is for two acres, only. Gabrielle stated she spoke with Dean Barber at DEP. He suggested that, since aquatic weed control has been an ongoing problem in these lakes, Gabrielle should meet with the different HOAs and suggest that the DEP could do an analysis of the lake and work with the HOAs to come up with a lake's management plan.

Report on Alum

Gabrielle Milch stated that she spoke to Cammy Dewey from the St. Johns River Water Management District regarding permitting. She stated the district does not have a problem with permitting off-line alum systems.

Gabrielle Milch stated she spoke with Ann Shortelle from MACTEC. Gabrielle is waiting for a report from Ann sometime next week.

Gabrielle Milch stated she met with Orange County. They will be turning over to the City \$22,000 in MSTU monies collected from the Lake Charity area. The County is interested in how the City will utilize the money and suggested it could be used to purchase chemicals and plant material.

Gabrielle Milch stated that Orange County put on an Aquascaping Workshop. She would like to set up a similar workshop in Maitland. In unincorporated Orange County, homeowners are paid to do various environmental projects. The County pays up to \$3,000 per homeowner; \$1,000 for removal of upland invasive plants, \$1,000 for aquatic shoreline plantings, and \$1,000 for the construction of a rear yard swale (excluding those required by a neighborhood development).

Old Business:

Gus Bobes asked about the status of the Boat Dock Ordinance, Lake Edge Landscape Ordinance, and the 3% Phosphorous Ordinance. Gabrielle Milch stated that the formatting on the Lake Edge Ordinance needs to be modified and then the Ordinances will go through internal review and then to the City Attorney.

Board members agreed they would like to see the plans of any boat dock application.

New Business:

Marc Walch stated that his company has been asked to submit a proposal for the Ridgewood Quality Neighborhood Program (located behind the Enzian Theater). A discussion was held and Marc Walch requested that Gabrielle Milch provide him with a copy of the sections of the draft report which deal with the BMP's for Park Lake.

Gus Bobes stated that he attended the Winter Park Lakes & Waterways Board meeting and the discussion was regarding the shoreline vegetation. The City of Winter Park does not have a shoreline vegetation ordinance and they requested a copy of the City of Maitland's Lake Edge Ordinance.

Tony Leffin asked the Board members if they would like to go on a lakes' tour. The Board members agreed to go on the tour, in lieu of next month's meeting. A motion was made by Gus Bobes and seconded by John Wacker to have a lakes' tour meeting next month, beginning at approximately 4:30 p.m., replacing the regularly scheduled meeting for October, 2005.

Elizabeth Peele stated Bellamy Park was completed with upgrades from a \$100,000 grant.

Beverly Reponen asked about the advisability of eating fish caught in Lake Lily. Tony Leffin stated there is a "No Fishing" sign on the boardwalk.

Adjournment:

There being no other business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Gus Bobes, seconded by John Wacker, and unanimously passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Chairman

Date

Public Works Director

Date