



TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Town Manager's Office

MINUTES OF THE SHORE PROTECTION BOARD MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Shore Protection Board meeting was called to order on Thursday, March 30, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

II. ROLL CALL

All of the Board Members were present.

Melissa Ceriale, Chairperson
Warren Belmar, Vice Chairperson
Peter Matwiczuk, Shore Protection Board Member
Ronald Matzner, Shore Protection Board Member
Erick Reickert, Shore Protection Board Member
Doug Rogers, Shore Protection Board Member
Joel Zylstra, Shore Protection Board Member

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Melissa Ceriale led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion was made to approve the agenda by Board Member, Joel Zylstra. Motion seconded by Vice Chair, Warren Belmar. Motion carried unanimously.

V. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 27, 2023 MEETING

Motion to approve minutes was made by Board Member, Joel Zylstra. Motion seconded by Board Member Ronald Matzner. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS - 3 MINUTE LIMIT PLEASE

Mr. Gary of 229 Onondaga and Susan Gary discussed concern of sargasso seaweed.

Diane Buehler addressed the sargassum situation on the beach. Ms. Buehler provided a slide presentation of the condition of the beach. Discussion ensued.

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VII. CURRENT SHORELINE CONDITIONS

[Robert Weber, Coastal Program Manager]

Coastal Program Manager, Robert Weber, presented a slide presentation of the shoreline. Discussion ensued.

Motion was made by Vice Chair Belmar for Town Council to make arrangements with the contractor to take immediate action regarding the sargassum situation and to encourage Council to seek out cooperation from other local communities within the County and the State to address it as is a serious Florida problem. Motion seconded by Board Member Matzner. Motion carried unanimously.

VIII. COASTAL PROJECTS UPDATE

[Robert Weber, Coastal Program Manager]

- Lake Worth Inlet Maintenance Dredging
- 2023-2024 Reach 7/Phipps Ocean Park Beach Nourishment
- 2023-2024 Dune Restoration
- Reach 8

Robert Weber, Coastal Program Manager, presented updates on each project. Thomas Pierro and Stacy Buck of Coastal Protection Engineering presented a slide show update of Reach 8. Discussion ensued.

IX. COASTAL RESILIENCY BRIEFING

[Robert Weber, Coastal Program Manager]

Mr. Weber shared that coastal resiliency is no longer a Shore Protection Board exclusive matter it involves other disciplinary of the Town. Town Council has instructed Town staff that they will be taking the lead on Coastal Resiliency.

X. EDUCATION SERIES VIDEOS

[Patricia Strayer, P.E., Town Engineer]

- Distribution of 2022 Videos
- New Topics for 2023 Videos
 - Beach Cleaning
 - Sea Turtle Nesting
 - Mid-Town Seawall
 - Dune Plantings

Mr. Weber explained the path of the distribution of the videos. After the SPB approved the videos in January they were immediately brought to Town Council's February meeting and were received favorably. On February 14th they were uploaded to the Town's website. An announcement was issued that they were available via the Town's website. Ms. Ceriale would like to see a "hosting with the neighborhood" the sharing of the videos so they are viewed.

Ms. Ceriale suggested a link on the website assigned for each Reach indicating this is what is happening in your area.

Ms. Strayer informed the Board that it would be a good idea to meet with FireFly to go over several years of photos and to work with CPI and FireFly and see what they recommend. FireFly could provide a recommendation to use the photos as a public relations tool.

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Motion was made by Chairperson Ceriale to request CPE and their subconsultant, FireFly, to review the archive of beach report photos to make a recommendation to best to use those in a communication tool. Motion seconded by Vice Chair Belmar. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Ceriale recommended posting sea turtle signage which was directed to SPB by the Town Council. Mr. Brazil shared Town Council would like to do something for sea turtle signage and public access. Staff can manage this task with Town Council.

XI. SCHEDULING OF FUTURE MEETINGS

[Patricia Strayer, P.E., Town Engineer]

- Regular SPB Meeting November 2, 2023

XVI. COMMUNICATIONS FROM SHORE PROTECTION BOARD MEMBERS

There were no other communications from the Shore Protection Board Members.

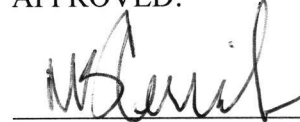
XVII. ANY OTHER MATTERS

There were no further matters to discuss.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Shore Protection Board of March 30, 2023, was adjourned at 11:10am. Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Vice Chair Belmar, seconded by Board Member Metzner.

APPROVED:



Melissa Ceriale,
Chairperson

Meeting audio is located at:

https://townofpalmbeach.granicus.com/player/clip/2611?view_id=5&redirect=true&h=db8a698302fe51ac93ae7a9cb
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