



CITY OF OAK HILL
234 South U.S. Highway 1
Oak Hill, Florida 32759

WATERFRONT COMMITTEE
April 16, 2013 6:00 PM

Minutes

A. Roll Call, including welcome to new member

Note: The membership of Debi Malphurs was approved at the March 25 City Commission meeting, for Seat 7, to serve a term ending June 2015.

Members present: Donia Dewees, Cynthia Livingston, Jane Andrews

Members absent: James W. (Buck) Carr, Joe Ludwig, Paul Davis, Debi Malphurs

B. Approval of the 3/12/2013 Minutes

Vice Chair Livingston made a motion, seconded by Chair Dewees, to approve the 3/12/2013 Minutes. The motion passed 2 – 0, member Andrews abstaining.

C. Old Business

1. Update on the monofilament fishing line recycling bins –
The recycling stations are expected to be installed in the next couple weeks.
2. The County's flushing of fire hydrant water into the estuary –
Chair Dewees has made calls, but will continue to find a contact for assistance.
3. Grants to pursue – TABLED until grant-writing Board Member Carr is in attendance
4. Attending Waterfronts Florida Meeting May 30-31 San Carlos Island & City of Fort Myers –
Vice Chair Livingston will register for the event and ask the Commission for monetary assistance
5. Status of the proposed Clam Hatchery partnership with Mike Sullivan –
The consensus is that the City does not have the funds to address this idea at this time.

E. New Business – none

F. Comments & Concerns of Members

1. Member Andrews presented her idea that we publicize the availability of clam farming here in Oak Hill, for instance with a link on the City website, and to work more closely with the Oak Hill Seafood Co-op.
2. Member Andrews also wants to find ways to promote more recycling in Oak Hill, not only for the ecology, but also for the revenue it provides the City.

G. Public Participation

Henry Ratajczak, from EMC Divers– Environmental & Marine Construction Service, Inc., gave information about his company's shoreline services. They can supply an underwater coquina barrier and mangrove shoots that will slow the boat wakes that have been disturbing Oak Hill's clamming industry. He asked that EMC's president Jeff Landers be invited to come present a proposal to the City.

H. Adjournment – Chair Dewees adjourned the meeting at 6:31.