

City of Marco Island Florida

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Marco Island, Florida
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Meeting Minutes - Final

Thursday, December 12, 2024

8:30 AM

Community Meeting Room

Waterways Advisory Committee

*Chair: Martin Winter
Vice-Chair: Daniel High*

*Committee Members: Stephen Inacker,
Jim Snider, Steve Sokol,
Eugene Wordehoff*

City Staff: Justin Martin, Tara Kosieracki

(1) CALL TO ORDER

Chair Winter called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M.

(2) ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Vice-Chair High, Member Inacker, Member Snider, Member Wordehoff and Chair Winter

Absent: 1 - Member Sokol

Also Present

*Justin Martin, P.E., Director of Public Works
Zurima Luff, MS, PMP, Stormwater Engineer
Tara Kosieracki, Administrative/Project Coordinator
Martin Luna, Visual/Broadcast Technician
Councilor Deb Henry
Councilor Bonita Schwan
Citizens and Visitors*

(3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Chair Winter.

COMMITTEE TERMS

Chair Winter discussed the Waterways Advisory Committee and the upcoming City Council elections. He encouraged Committee Members to actively participate in the upcoming Waterways Advisory Committee meetings.

(4) APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION by Member Inacker, seconded by Member Wordehoff that the Agenda be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOICE VOTE:

Yes: 5 - Vice-Chair High, Member Inacker, Member Snider, Member Wordehoff and Chair Winter

(5) APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

[ID 24-4006](#) Approval of the Minutes of November 21, 2024

MOTION by Member Wordehoff, seconded by Vice-Chair High that the Waterways Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of November 21, 2024 be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOICE VOTE:

Yes: 5 - Vice-Chair High, Member Inacker, Member Snider, Member Wordehoff and Chair Winter

(6) OLD BUSINESS

None.

(7) NEW BUSINESS

[ID 24-3943](#) Marco Island Seawall Challenges (Member Sokol)

Member Sokol will address the "Marco Island Seawall Challenges" agenda topic on January 16, 2025, which will include discussions on seawall permitting issues.

The Committee summarized agenda topics for the next meeting scheduled on January 16, 2025. The Committee discussed the essential role of barges in seawall work, emphasizing their necessity for transporting materials and equipment. They discussed the importance of ensuring community clarity and acceptance regarding the use of barges. There was also a discussion about the 951 Collier County access point and derelict vessels.

(8) STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**[ID 24-4007](#) ATON Repairs**

The Committee aims to review the areas of the waterway that fall under the city's maintenance responsibility. They have agreed to compile a list of Aton locations in need of repair and to track these repairs using a color-coded system.

Justin Martin, Director of Public Works, provided an update on Aton repairs, including the installation of new signs and replacement of a navigational light. Director Martin remarked on the ongoing efforts to address shoaling issues, discussing the challenges encountered with Collier County.

(9) CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

None.

(10) PUBLIC COMMENT

David Crain, a Marco Island resident, discussed water quality measurements in the local canals and compared the challenges to those observed in the Islamorada canals. He suggested that deep well injection could be a potential solution to improve water quality in the dead-end canals. The discussion also covered wastewater treatment and geological conditions in Florida.

Justin Martin, Director of Public Works, provided insights on the water supply and infrastructure on Marco Island. He also covered topics related to water management and the use of injection wells.

Nick Pierson raised concerns about the closure of the 951 loading area and construction costs.

(11) NEXT MEETING: CONFIRMATION & ATTENDANCE - 1/16/25 @ 8:30 A.M.**[ID 24-4005](#) 2025 Meeting Schedule for the Waterways Advisory Committee****(12) PROPOSED AGENDA TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING**

The Board agreed to the following items for the next Agenda:

- 1. Marco Island Seawalls
 - a. Seawall Permitting Challenges (Member Sokol)*
 - b. Barges in Marco Island Canals*
 - c. 951 Access Location**
- 2. Derelict and Unattended Vessels*
- 3. Aton Repairs*

4. Annual Water Quality - February 2025 (Member Wordehoff)

(13) OTHER COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

[ID 24-4008](#) Waterways Advisory Committee 2025 Workshop Date

(14) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Committee, Chair Winter adjourned the meeting at 9:34 A.M.

Tara Kosieracki, Administrative/Project Coordinator

NOTE: TWO OR MORE CITY COUNCILORS OR OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS MAY BE PRESENT