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Escambia County Central Office Complex
3363 West Park Place
Pensacola, FL 32505

Marine Advisory Committee

APPROVED
RESUME OF MEETING MINUTES
May 13, 2013, 5:30 p.m.

Members Present:

Cathy Watson		District 1/Commissioner Wilson Robertson
Sidney Clopton		District 2/Commissioner Gene Valentino
Merrick Van Landingham	Vice Chair	District 2/Commissioner Gene Valentino
Eilene Beard		District 3/Commissioner Lumon May
Lynn Laird		District 3/Commissioner Lumon May
David Dodson	Chair	District 4/Commissioner Robinson IV
Dave Mucci		District 4/Commissioner Grover Robinson, IV
Walt Woodfin	Secretary	District 5/Commissioner Steven Barry
Gabe Jackson		District 5/Commissioner Steven Barry
Ed Fish		County Interim Administrator George Touart

Staff Present

Robert Turpin	CED/ Marine Resources Division Manager
Rick O'Connor	Sea Grant Agent for Escambia County

Absent Excused

Earle Rader	District 1/Commissioner Robertson
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Absent Unexcused

Visitors Present

Andrew Blewer	Resident
Larry Kelly	Resident
Bryan Clark	Resident
Kerry Freeland	Resident

1. Meeting called to order at 5:36 pm.
2. Attendance- Quorum Present, Earl Rader excused absence
3. Minutes- Approval, Motion to approve the April minutes made by Sidney Clopton, Second made by Eilene Beard, Vote all in favor, none opposed.
4. Casino Artificial Reef Site Permit. May 2013 R. Turpin update: MRD awaiting Army Corps permit.
5. Bay Snorkeling Reef 'Ballast Rock". May 2013 R. Turpin update: MRD monitoring dive planned for June 2013.
6. Perdido Gulf Snorkeling Reef Solicitation & Construction. May 2013 R. Turpin update: Escambia County Purchasing soliciting bids to construct reef at original site.
7. Escambia County Southeast Artificial Reef Site. May 2013 R. Turpin update: Applications submitted; awaiting Army Corps of Engineers permit.
8. Mahogany Mill Public Boat Ramp Construction. May 2013 R. Turpin update: construction underway.
9. Perdido River Public Boat Ramp Design/Engineering/Permitting. May 2013 R. Turpin update: Firm selected for Design, Engineering & Permitting. FDEP developing Scope of Work & negotiating contract. MAC meetings will be primary means for public input.
10. Hurst Hammock Paddlecraft Access Launch Design & Permitting. May 2013 R. Turpin update: ACOE permitting underway.
11. Juanita Williams Paddlecraft Access Launch. May 2013 R. Turpin update: Building permit has been issued.
12. 10836 Lillian Highway Analysis/Due Diligence. May 2013 R. Turpin update: Anticipated BCC Recommendation to approve contract at 16 May 2013 meeting.
13. Natural Resources Damage Assessment - Oil spill Restoration & Recovery. May 2013 R. Turpin update: Florida has issued public notice for Phase 2 Projects for Public Comment.
14. Bayou Chico Navigation Hazard. May 2013 R. Turpin update: No response to second MRD inquiry.
15. Old Business: June 2013 R. Turpin update: N/A
16. New Business: May 2013 R. Turpin update: Proposal from owner of M/V Titanic for artificial reef. Presented to MAC and will email additional information to MAC for consideration & input. Proposal of ex-military submarine for artificial reef. Presented to MAC, and will email additional information to MAC for consideration & input. Patti Memorial Reef (donated by Frank Patti, Jr.) will be deployed within Escambia County Nearshore East Reef Site in the next 30 days.

Bryan Clark (3434 Chantarene Drive, Pensacola Florida) brought up the concrete ship in Bayou Chico, which appears abandoned and is an eyesore. He suggested the county could remove it and reef it.

17. Motion to adjourn made by Dave Mucci, Second made by Merrick Van Landingham, Vote all in favor, none opposed. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.