

LAKE and STORMWATER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes for May 16, 2018

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM by John Worzbyt.

II. Members Present

On Location: John Worzbyt, George Cobert, Donna Burt-McAliley, Charles Bradley, Paul Miller, John Rutherford, and Jean Worzbyt

Via Phone: Russ Neydl and Sam Kirk

III. April 2018 Minutes Approved

IV. Chairperson Report (John Worzbyt)

- A. Aquatic Environmental: treating Bimini and Treasure Lakes on May 17, 2018.
- B. New Members introduced were Charles Bradley, Sam Kirk, and John Rutherford.
- C. Jean Magee's resignation was accepted with regret. She was recognized for her many contributions.
- D. E-Mail Directory: Our E-Mail Directory is underway. E-Mail Survey results to date are very positive. A follow-up request will occur in the near future to secure missing e-mail addresses for our directory and list serve.
- E. Treasure Lake Marina Boat Launch Rules and Regulations sign: Using information our Committee submitted to the POA Board and Community Manager, Shirley provided John with a paper copy of the new sign the POA developed that will be posted at the TL Marina.
- F. Boat Safety Signs for Treasure & Bimini Lakes: Our Committee's Boat Safety Signs (one for each lake) will be placed at all boat launch sites as scheduling permits (maintenance). Signs are to be mounted on marine plywood, laminated, and protected under Plexiglas and displayed on sign posts. These lake signs were specifically designed to highlight and address the most critical health and safety issues faced by our lakes.
- G. Invasive Species Disposal Stations and signs: Every boat launch site on Bimini and Treasure Lakes will have disposal stations and signs developed by our Committee that direct lake users to properly dispose of potential aquatic "hitchhiker" species attached to their boats, trailers, sporting equipment, etc.

- H. Article in the June 2018 Issue of the Treasure Chest: John Worzbyt will write an article informing Treasure Lake Property Owners of the new Boat Safety Signs and Invasive Species Disposal Stations. He will address their purpose and why their cooperation is critical in protecting our waters and those who use them.
 - I. Community Days: John reviewed with the Committee, the concept of “Community Day(s)” and its purpose to build community while facilitating the opportunity for community improvement through community involvement. Chairpersons of TL Community committees will meet to discuss how these days might be planned and organized. Shirley Elmore, Community Manager, described in an e-mail, the purpose of these days. Based on positive committee chairperson feedback, Ms. Elmore will call for the first organization meeting to begin the process for Community Day(s).
- V. **TLPOA Board of Directors, President Report:** George Cobert
- A. Capital Reserve Fund: Because funding is tight this year given current pressing projects, no capital reserve funds have been set aside for lake dredging or stormwater management.
 - B. Stormwater Management Goals: the Board and the Community Manager have been studying the Stahl-Shaffer Strategic Plan for the purpose of identifying an organized path forward. Goal priorities are being identified and will be implemented in accordance with the availability of funding, maintenance priorities, and time.
 - C. Hanover Engineering Water Depth & Silt Study on Treasure Lake: This study has been completed. The amount of silt in Treasure Lake is more than originally anticipated. Given silt depth and the dredging process to be utilized, the cost of dredging Treasure Lake and its five coves will require this project to be completed in stages. The current budget prohibits dredging this year.
 - D. Status of Dredging Project: This capital project will be addressed in next year’s budget. Planning meetings continue with the engineering firm regarding the lake dredging project.
 - E. Lake & SW Budget for 2019: George suggested that our Committee prepare a budget to support next year’s activities and submit it to the POA Board in early October for consideration and inclusion in next year’s budget discussions.
- VI. **Old Business:**
- A. Status of our Dams: Paul Miller gave an in-depth report. Damage was done to a dam valve on Bimini Lake when a dock broke loose from its mooring and slammed into the dam. Paul also reported that heavy silting in Galleon Bay has

dramatically reduced the flow of water from the valve at the base of the dam. He indicated that this situation will only worsen and needs to be addressed via dredging as soon as financial support allows.

- B. Lake Shore Clean-Up: Donna addressed this issue with respect to the spread sheets that our Committee developed in the summer of 2016 for Bimini and Treasure Lakes. The concern is that problematic conditions identified on our lakes two years ago have not been addressed and continue to worsen (soil erosion, silting, trees down in the water, docks in significant disrepair, etc.). This concern was discussed as our Committee continues to support improving the health and safety of our lakes.
- C. Prevention Through Education: John Worzbyt continues to emphasize the importance of educating property owners and their guests of steps they can take to care for and protect our lakes. Prevention and education strategies are cost effective and will have the greatest positive impact on lake health and safety.

VII. **New Business:**

- A. Updated Roster: Donna Burt-McAliley will update and circulate a new membership roster.
- B. New Secretary for 2018: Jean Worzbyt was unanimously approved to be our secretary for 2018. We thank Donna for being our secretary for 2017.
- C. The concept of Community Day(s), as presented by our Community Manager, was discussed. A favorable review was offered. Our Committee looks forward to receiving more information as it is made available.
- D. Our Committee's current status: A special committee vs becoming a permanent Committee was discussed with no recommendation being made at this time.
- E. Jason Reed Proposal: Jason Reed contacted John Worzbyt, as a follow-up to last year's Lake Town Hall Meeting in which some in attendance requested more information on stormwater management projects that property owners can implement on their properties (rain barrels, rain gardens, planting of buffer zones, etc.). No action was taken on this item as it is being deferred as a potential activity our Committee might sponsor during a possible Community Day. John will contact Jason as a follow-up to his proposal.
- F. A Strategic Plan for Our Lakes: John Worzbyt presented this proposal which will receive additional attention in our June 2018 meeting.

- G. National Lake Shoreline Clean-Up Day: Sam Kirk informed our Committee about a National Lake Shoreline Clean-Up Day celebrated each year on the 3rd Saturday in September (Sept. 15, 2018). Our Committee will pursue looking into and becoming involved in this national effort.

VIII. Agenda Items for June 20, 2018 Meeting

- A. National Lake Clean Up Day: Research this day, activities, potential projects, and how our Committee and Community can support this effort. Also explore funding possibilities to support this national effort in our own community.
- B. A Strategic Plan for Our Lakes: This proposal, submitted by John Worzbyt, is to be presented and discussed. John will present advantages of having a Lakes Strategic Plan that targets projects, a budget, and Board approval in support of an early Committee start in 2019.
- C. Community Day(s): Additional forthcoming information on this proposal will be presented and discussed.
- D. Other: Please submit additional June 20, 2018 Meeting agenda items to John.

- IX. Motion to Adjourn: meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM

Respectfully submitted by Jean A. Worzbyt, Secretary