MINUTES
BROWARD COUNTY MARINE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
PARKS AND RECREATION DIVISION
February 1, 2024, 2:00 p.m.
Plantation Heritage Park – Fountain Room
1100 S Fig Tree Lane, Plantation, Florida, 33317

I CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 2:01 p.m. by Vice Chair Barry Webber.

II ROLL CALL: Roll was called; a quorum was present.

Members:

Jerry Baer	Peter Grady	Jo Stanley
Doug Beals	Julie Greenfield	Spencer Taintor
Cliff Berry	Kelvin Haynes	Clive Taylor
Penny Cutt	David Ide	Barry Webber
Mark Ercolin	Miguel Orasma	

Staff:
Cheri Gagné, Broward County Parks & Recreation Division
Jay Sanford, Liaison, Broward County Parks & Recreation Division

III PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

IV APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mark Ercolin made the motion to approve the December 7, 2023, meeting minutes and Clive Taylor seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

V CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

VI OLD BUSINESS: NONE

VII NEW BUSINESS:

Weekly Manatee Survey: Mr. Sanford reviewed the weekly manatee surveys and explained how they were collected.

EMLEG: Mr. Sanford presented the EMLEG FY 24/25 Application Submission Overview and EMLEG FY 22/23 Project Payments and Balances. He then reviewed the EMLEG Grant Review Schedule and the EMLEG review process. He stated that also included were the EMLEG City totals from FY 94-24.

Vehicle Discussion: Mr. Sanford stated that he is requesting the Committee approve the purchase of a Ford Lightning truck to tow the boat and remove it from its current storage location at Riverfront Marina. Mr. Sanford stated that the boat storage fee is $697.25 a month and the truck is around $48,100 to purchase. He added that the boat would be kept on a trailer at the Parks Administration complex under cover and after the initial purchase, Fleet would be responsible for maintenance and replacement of the vehicle.

Discussion was had about the vehicle purchase, including how it handles salt water, if it could be gas, boat maintenance, towing ability, the EMLEG budget, who would use the vehicle, if another vehicle could be used instead of purchasing a dedicated MAC vehicle, how often it would be used, where it could be launched, the possibility of keeping both storage and the truck for a limited time, MAC branding on the vehicle, and future staff being able to launch the boat.

Spencer Taintor made a motion to approve the purchase of an electric ford vehicle truck for MAC to the expense of $60,000 in lieu of the current boat storage that is being used and Jo Stanley seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

VIII CHAIR'S REPORT: NONE

IX DANIA BEACH MAB REPORT: NONE

X HOLLYWOOD MAB REPORT: Ms. Greenfield stated that at the last meeting they reviewed accomplishments for the year and what their goals would be for the upcoming year.

XI POMPANO BEACH MAB REPORT: NONE

XII MAB REPORTS: NONE

XIII LIAISON'S REPORT: Mr. Sanford stated that the administrative position for the MAC has been reclassed and has not yet been filled, but has been recently advertised.

Mr. Sanford stated that all members fulfilled their attendance requirements for 2023 and that the Broward County Waterway Cleanup would be Saturday, March 2nd, 2024.

Video Concerning Industrial Barge Needs: Mr. Sanford showed a video created by the Florida Inland Navigation District in respect to commercial/industrial waterway access. Discussion was had about whether the Committee should provide input to the Broward County Board of County Commissioners on commercial/industrial waterway access. This included locations for barge access, if this topic is within the realm of the Committee's purview, other possible options, and the feasibility and fairness of supporting commercial access.

Penny Cutt made a motion to make a recommendation to the Commission that a feasibility study be conducted to evaluate the pros and cons and options available in respect to commercial waterway access and Kelvin Haynes seconded. All Committee members voted in support of the motion with the exception of Spencer Taintor who voted against the motion with the reason being that the Committee should not be involved in commercial enterprises.

Mr. Sanford requested that Ms. Cutt create a draft of the recommendation letter and Ms. Cutt agreed.

XIV MAC MEMBER COMMENTS: NONE

XV ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 3:29 p.m. by Vice Chair Webber.