

Dunedin Causeway and Coastal Waterway Committee

February 12th, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 8:03.

Members present: John Hoopes, Jeffric Gazlay, Manuel Farinas, Frank Vanore, Glen Steinke, Anita Apley, Jim Runyon, Kathleen Sands-Martin.

City Staff: Lanie Sheets

Guests: Ron Matuska, Sandy (last name not legible), Kim Begay, Belle Gruber

Minutes from January meeting approved.

New Business- Introductions made for new members and guests. Kathleen introduced herself to the committee. Discussed existing applications for filling Joe Gill's position. John will invite Jill and Ron to next meeting for face to face. Committee would also like Kelly Levy from Pinellas County to attend meeting as guest when possible.

1- Causeway Report- Lanie reported that all new benches and concrete pads have been installed. The city is reviewing a proposal for new city trash cans (\$50K). Parks and recreation has been overrun with memorial requests throughout the city. One bench on NE end of Causeway is behind No Trespassing sign erected by County. This needs to be fixed by signs being placed properly.

2-Concessions- Cold, windy, foggy, but now weather is improving. Anniversary date of Sail Honeymoon, 27 years. Congratulations, Glen!

3- Storm Water: Belle Gruber in attendance from Stormwater, no new projects to report.

4- Boating report- Sailboat on Victoria Drive is still aground and has been tagged by Sheriff.

5-CEQ Report: Introduction of new Sustainability Coordinator and goals set forth.

6- Ad Hoc Bridge Report – N/A

OPEN FLOOR: Kim Begay reported that the number of signs are incorrect as reported in the minutes from August 2018. John requested that Kim submit an accurate count. Kim brought pictures of boats launching on the NE end of the Causeway and is concerned they are causing damage to sea grass. Kim is requesting that the City of Dunedin designate this area as a no boating area so the County can mark. The North side of the Causeway has no restrictions at this time. Committee advises Kim to go directly to the commission or city manager to request a new ordinance. Kim has pictures of dogs on Causeway close to bird nesting area that are of concern. Committee advised her to submit to city commission. Kim reported that she has rescued 27 birds in the last month due to monofilament entanglement.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 am