

Dunedin Causeway and Coastal Waterway Committee
October 10, 2019 Meeting Minutes
Dunedin Community Center

Meeting called to order at 8:05AM

Members present: John Hoopes, Anita Apley, Kathleen Sands Martin, Frank Vanore, Jim Runyun

City Staff: Vince Gizzy, Terry Trudell, Pete Wek, Lori Ferguson

Guests: Jeff Gow, Ron Matuska

Members absent: Glen Steinke, Jill Gunn, Dennis Alspaugh (approved)

Minutes from September meeting approved.

Regular Business: Jeff Gazlay resigned as member of the committee and will be asking current members to volunteer to fill the Secretary position. Kathleen Sands Martin offered to take on the role of Secretary. We now have 2 openings on the Committee. Kathleen Sands Martin will fill one (alternate to full member) and we will be looking for a member who can fill Boating area and one alternate.

Parks & Recreation Update: Terry and Pete from Parks & Recreation discussed the trash containers that are located along the causeway (10 total) and the recycle containers (4 total). Have noticed a significant improvement in the recycle containers regarding contamination. Terry also stated that Keep Pinellas Beautiful is coordinating all of the Causeway cleanup days.

Vince Gizzy mentioned that the county wants to "permit" the benches on the causeway – there are currently 80 benches and that is the limit. Vince still working on resolution. Also, the new, not yet completed interlocal agreement would have the County maintaining potholes and grading every 3 months. Garbage pickup on the causeway is now 3 days a week: Friday, Sunday and Monday. There are still reports of dogs being on sections of the Causeway. PCSO addresses these situations when possible.

A new position of Park Attendant was approved by the City Commission. The individual will work Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday. He/She will oversee the Causeway and Hammock Park.

Concession – no report

Boating – no report

Storm Water – no report

Ad-Hoc Bridge – no report

Open floor: History of the causeway was discussed, and Vince recommended we contact Vinny Luizi at the History Museum to attend one of our meetings. John to reach out to Vinny. Laurie Ferguson stated that the small boat ramp at the Marina is being rehabilitated and should be done in about 6 weeks. Dredging project at the marina has been put out to bid. This roughly 3-month project may also include the replacement of Dock A. The City is also working to add the ability to purchase launching permit at the ramp area. Anita asked if the temporary police lighted sign could be placed on the Causeway to reinforce the No Dogs, No Alcohol message.