

Mr. Brett Moore, of Humiston & Moore, made a presentation relative to a structural remedy to stabilize Snake Island shoreline and the existing cultural resources present. After much discussion and comments by Commissioner Patterson regarding funding; Commissioner Judah regarding liability; Counsel Perrey regarding liability; and Mr. Pat McCarthy regarding recreational user support, motion was made by Commissioner Patterson to move forward on an application for JCP regarding the construction of a sediment reservoir facility west of Snake Island including, but not limited to funding, and further discussions regarding sediment budget to the City of Venice and ownership issues involving Snake Island. Motion seconded by Commissioner Judah, and motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA – Motion by Commissioner Chappie to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Judah, and motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA –

1. Discussion of 2012 Millage – Mr. Listowski presented the conceptual millage rate for budget preparation to be .0394. This millage rate has been the same for the past 4 years and will allow budget preparation for the September 9th first public hearing, and allow us to advertise per the TRIM requirements. Motion by Commissioner Chappie to allow budget preparation with the millage rate of .0394, seconded by Commissioner Patterson, and motion passed unanimously.
2. Snake Island Presentation – Previously discussed.
3. Update on Tree Planting along Venice ROW – Previously discussed.
4. WCIND Projects - Mr. Listowski reported on the following projects:
 - Manatee County - Surveys in and around Anna Maria Island and Bimini basin entrance channel.
 - Sarasota County - Tightening of the North Venice Jetty
 - Charlotte County – The Regional Waterway Management System and other legal research regarding Charlotte County’s requests for assistance.
 - Lee County - Eight projects along the lower Caloosahatchee River, and three projects in the Bonita Springs area.

WCIND COUNSEL REPORT – Counsel Perrey updated the Board on the current status of the Fisherman’s Wharf lawsuit/bankruptcy proceedings. There are various issues regarding property ownership and a settlement offer was reviewed by the Board, and rejected via a motion by Commissioner Chappie, seconded by Commissioner Patterson, and approved unanimously. Counsel Perrey then explained the current progress and his effort to intercede between a property owner with a business adjacent to spoil area C-29A in Charlotte County. He explained to the Board the various issues involved in this kind of arrangement, and a process is underway to sort out the feasibility of such an arrangement.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT – Mr. Listowski reported on the Consent Agenda item C involving a Charlotte County request to assist in developing a strategy for dealing with debris from an abandoned railroad trestle crossing Gasparilla Sound. Consensus of the Board was to allow him to proceed with a strategy, and report back to the Board. He also requested Board approval to apply for beach erosion control assistance funding for regional sand analysis along with the update of other beach erosion control program funding already approved for Venice and Longboat Pass inlet management plans. Consensus of the Board was to continue pursuit of beach erosion control funding for the ongoing management plans for Venice Inlet and Longboat Pass.

Meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Next meeting will be held on Friday, July 22, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. in Council Chambers at Venice City Hall.