Brevard Marine Advisory Council (BMAC)

August 15, 2024
Florida Room, Bldg.C., Florida Room C313
Government Center Viera, Florida

Members Present:

Member	Present
John Mongioi	No
Kelly Haugh	Yes
Patrick Mulligan	No
Jay Woltering	No
Nick Sanzone	Yes
Frank Catino	Yes
Cynthia Stinson	Yes
Anda Ray	Yes
James Underwood	No

Staff Present:

Matt Culver, Boating & Waterways Program Coordinator Sarah Roschetzki, Council Secretary

Public Present:

See Attendance Sheet for full attendance.

I. Call to Order

Mr. Sanzone called the August 15, 2024 meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Sanzone. The attendance review was conducted and a quorum was established. Matt Culver introduced a new member Cynthia Stinson. Ms. Stinson gave a brief introduction and some insight into her background.

II. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Cantino moved to approve the August 17, 2023 meeting minutes as written; seconded by Ms. Ray. Motion was unanimously approved.

III. Agenda Items

a. New Business

i. Election of Officers

Ms. Haugh made a motion to Maintain Nick Sanzone as Chair with Mr. Cantio seconding. The motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Ray made a motion that John Mongioi should continue as Vice Chair. Ms. Haugh seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

ii. Florida Boating Advisory Council – Meeting Highlights

Ms. Anda Ray presented the Florida Boating Advisory Council Highlights. Ms. Ray answered any questions from the other committee members.

iii. Boating Study Data Acquisition Requirements

The Brevard County Boating Characterization Study 2007 Fact Sheet was presented by Matt Culver. Matt provided handouts for the Economic Benefits of the District Waterways. Matt also advised that the Manatee Protection Plan modifications would be included in the next boating study. There was much discussion from committee members regarding the need for transparency in the next study, so both sides feel that they were fairly represented in the study. Matt shared a PowerPoint of Data Acquisition regarding the Manatee Protection Plan.

b. Old Business

i. Derelict Vessel Removal Project Update

Mr. Culver gave an update on the removal project. The county did receive \$150,000 grant and can remove about 20 boats for this amount. Discussion ensued. Mr. Culver responded to the Council's questions.

ii. Artificial Reef Projects Update

We had funding for a project this year of 80,000 dollars. Matt put the project out to bid, but no one bid. Cannot find a contractor to do the job. There was much discussion of where to obtain funding.

IV. Reports

a. Council Reports

None

b. Staff Report - Natural Resources Management Department

New dates for 2025 BMAC Meetings handed out to everyone present.

c. Staff Report- University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences Brevard County Extension Office

None.

V. Public Input

There were no public citizens present. Nick Sanzone advised that he would like to see more public in attendance.

VI. Adjournment

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Mr. Sanzone asked for ideas for speakers. Mr. Sanzone adjourned the meeting at 7:48PM.