

**DRAFT**  
**MINUTES OF THE MARINE ADVISORY BOARD**  
**100 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE**  
**8<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM**  
**FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA**  
**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2012 – 6:00 P.M.**

<u><b>Board Members</b></u>	<b>Attendance</b>	<b>Cumulative Attendance May 2012 - April 2013</b>	
		<u><b>Present</b></u>	<u><b>Absent</b></u>
Barry Flanigan, Chair	A	4	1
James Harrison, Vice Chair	P	4	1
F. St. George Guardabassi	P	5	0
Chad Moss	A	2	3
Norbert McLaughlin	P	5	0
Jim Welch	P	5	0
Robert Dean	P	3	2
John Holmes	P	4	1
Bob Ross	A	4	1
Joe Cain	P	3	2
Tom Tapp	A	4	1
Herb Rassing	P	5	0
Frank Herhold	P	4	1
Lisa Scott-Founds	A	2	3
Zane Brisson	A	3	2

As of this date, there are 15 appointed members to the Board, which means 8 would constitute a quorum.

It was noted that a quorum was present for the meeting.

**Staff**

Andrew Cuba, Manager of Marine Facilities  
Jonathan Luscomb, Supervisor of Marine Facilities  
Levend Ekendiz, Intracoastal Facilities Dockmaster  
Matt Domke, Downtown Facilities Dockmaster  
Sgt. Kevin Shults, Marine Police Staff  
Brigitte Chiappetta, Recording Secretary, Prototype, Inc.

**Communications to City Commission**

None.

**I. Call to Order / Roll Call**

Vice Chair Harrison called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

## **II. Approval of Minutes – September 6, 2012**

Mr. Herhold noted a correction on p.10: “inner-city” should be “inter-city.”

**Motion** made by Mr. Herhold, seconded by Mr. Cain, to approve the minutes as corrected. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

## **III. Statement of Quorum**

It was noted that a quorum was present at the meeting.

## **IV. Waterway Crime & Boating Safety REport**

Sgt. Shults stated that on September 16, a camera system at a local marina captured footage of individuals stealing power cords. One of these individuals was also involved in an attempt to pawn stolen property from two other vessels. Of the three persons identified, one has cooperated with the Police Department. There have been no more thefts in the past three weeks, except for an unrelated power cord theft on October 3.

He continued that the Boat Show has been set up differently this year: while typically barges are floated to the site, this is not possible due to dredging in the cutoff canal. The barges are instead being trucked to the site and unloaded.

Mr. Rassing asked why thieves would steal power cords from vessels. Sgt. Shults explained that this is due to the copper wiring inside the cord. While pawnshops require sellers to provide photo I.D. when something is sold, there is no similar requirement under Florida statute for scrapyards.

Mr. Guardabassi asked what would happen if the theft of a relatively inexpensive item, such as a power cord, was reported. Sgt. Shults said theft of items worth less than \$200 would be classified as misdemeanor offenses and a report would be taken for purposes of documentation. He advised that the difficulty lies in the lack of space to hold violent offenders in jail: an individual arrested for property crime is much less likely to be held.

Mr. McLaughlin commented that power cords are also likely to be sold at marine flea markets, as they are worth more intact. Sgt. Shults said he would forward this information to the detectives involved in marine theft cases.

## **V. Permit Application – Private Usage of Public Property – Sec. 8-144 – 701 Cordova Road / Glenn and Kristie Caddy**

Glenn Caddy, Applicant, explained that he was seeking to establish the right of use for a dock located in front of his house. He advised that he only recently learned he did not have a use permit for this dock.

Mr. Cuba stated that the dock is well-maintained and the City did not object to the use.

There being no questions from the Board at this time, Vice Chair Harrison opened the public hearing. As there were no members of the public wishing to speak on this Item, Vice Chair Harrison closed the public hearing and brought the discussion back to the Board.

**Motion** made by Mr. Herhold, seconded by Mr. McLaughlin, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

**VI. Waiver of Limitations – ULDR Sec. 47-19.3 D and E – 810 NE 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue / Dixie Southlands Corporation**

Tyler Chappell, representing the Applicant, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Item. He recalled that in 2007, an application had come before the Board requesting a waiver for two docks at the facility to extend 73 ft. into the waterway. Tonight's request is for an additional waiver that would allow the Applicant to add triple pile clusters outside the docks in order to moor vessels at the location more securely.

Mr. Chappell showed a slide of the existing layout of the marina, noting that wooden finger piers are fixed onto concrete piles and graded decking exists near the seawalls. The proposal would include only three slips if the triple pile clusters are added. He noted that most vessels are currently tied bow in; the Application would mean these boats are turned around for safety purposes.

He continued that Code does not allow mooring or piles to extend more than 30% or 25 ft. into a waterway. The Application requests that the triple pile clusters be placed at 113 ft., 116 ft., and 124.4 ft. Mr. Chappell said the request was due to extraordinary circumstances, as the Middle River is very wide in this location, extending 376 ft. across at the north property line and 429 ft. at the south property line. The requested waiver would also create greater stability for docking and mooring, particularly during storm events, by allowing bow lines to be tied to the triple pile clusters. All boats and structures would remain within the existing sovereign submerged land lease issued by the State.

Mr. Chappell noted that the first pile, which is on the northern side, would have a variance of 91 ft.; the second would have a variance of 96 ft., and the third pile would be 99.4 ft. Eight waivers for this section of the waterway have been