

**MINUTES OF
LAKEFRONT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
RECREATION/SUBDIVISION COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2019**

PRESENT: Chair Dawn Hebert
Commissioner Robert Romero
Commissioner Stanley Cohn
Commissioner Esmond Carr

The Recreation/Subdivision Committee of the Lakefront Management Authority met on Tuesday, July 16, 2019, in the Lakefront Airport Terminal Building, 2nd Floor Conference Center, 6001 Stars and Stripes Blvd., New Orleans, Louisiana.

Opening Comments: None

Adoption of Agenda: Motion to adopt the agenda by Commissioner Romero, Seconded by Commissioner Cohn. The agenda was adopted.

Public Comments:

Ms. Patricia Fullmer asked to reserve her comments until the discussion.

Director's Report:

Louis Capo, Executive Director, stated that he doesn't have any updates to the report. He is creating an assessment of the events of the past weekend.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- A. **Discussion of recommendation for approval of the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Foundation's request to build a Memorial Drinking Foundation and Bench to honor Roy Johnson, Jr. at the New Basin Canal Lighthouse and Museum:**

Chris Cook, director of New Basin Canal Lighthouse Education Center, proposed the memorial including a public drinking fountain. He presented the following three potential

locations: Option A is closest to Lakeshore Drive, Option B is underneath the oak tree, and Option C is right on the other side of the fence. Mr. Cook stated that he is interested in receiving the committee's opinions. He explained that the water line is closest to Option C because the waterline runs directly under the restrooms. He stated that he spoke with a plumber to weigh their options. Commissioner Cohn, asked "what would be the overall budget for the project? What are you projecting?" Mr. Cook replied that he doesn't have an estimate. One committee member and the Chair stated that they preferred Option A. Chair Hebert asked the community members that are in attendance how they feel about the public fountain. A community member replied, "we love a public fountain."

Motion:

Commissioner Cohn suggested the Committee approve the concept of the memorial and recommend to full Board. The project would be subject to the Recreation Committee's approval of final plans before built.

B. Discussion regarding revisions to tree permits:

Mr. Louis Capo, Executive Director, presented the committee with a copy of the old tree permit and a proposed copy of the new revisions of tree permits. The revisions include the following recommendations: a time limit of 15 days to have tree work completed, a submittal before and afterwards of what type of work is being done, and a timeline of when the work can be completed (Monday – Friday, 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM). He stated that the insurance requirements will remain the same and a fine is included in case of a violation of the permit. The fine will be communicated to the public through social media, the newsletter, and the Property Owner Associations' website.

The residents understand they aren't supposed to trim or cut down any tree on private and public property. They have been notified of these rules through social media and the newsletter. Mr. Louis Capo stated that the agency has received phone calls from residents in Lake Vista claiming that individuals are cutting down what appears to be a Levee District tree. Commissioner Romero stated that Felton must investigate these claims and determine who the tree belongs to; the homeowner or the Levee District.

Mr. Capo stated that the public is invited to the agency's committee meetings and that some of the committee members attend the neighborhood association's meetings, which he believes is one way that the agency is improving communication.

C. Discussion of Loitering:

Chair Hebert asked Mr. Suthon if anyone has approached the individuals that have taken up residency by Shelter 3. Commissioner Wilma Heaton suggested that maybe the agency can request the police to offer the individuals some services. The committee agreed that this situation could possibly turn into an issue.

D. Discussion of Overnight Parking for Recreational Vehicles:

Commissioner Heaton mentioned that the board passed a resolution about no overnight parking for recreational vehicles. She suggested that the committee review the resolution and make any necessary revisions and create and submit another motion to the board for no overnight parking for recreational.

Public Comment:

- Mr. Patricia Fullmer no longer wanted to speak at the committee meeting.
 - Ms. Kristi Trail, Executive Director of the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Foundation, invited the Commissioners to an event on Saturday at the Lighthouse for a WWII museum exhibition.
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- **Announcement of next Recreation/Subdivision Committee Meeting:**

1) **Tuesday, August 20, 2019 – 4:30 PM**

There was no further business; therefore, the meeting was adjourned.