

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
SECOND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL
PORT ORANGE, FLORIDA
AUGUST 7, 2023

THE SPECIAL ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING of the City of Port Orange was called to order by Chair Kristine Cunningham at 5:15 p.m.

Roll Call	Present:	Shawn Goepfert John Macaluso Angelina Rossi Kristine Cunningham, Chair
	Absent:	Philip Klema
	Also Present:	Tracee Cody, Deputy City Clerk Tim Burman, Community Development Director Steve Edgar, City Forester

NOMINATION OF VICE CHAIR

Motion to nominate John Macaluso as Vice Chair was made by Chair Kristine Cunningham and seconded by Member Shawn Goepfert. Member Macaluso accepted the nomination. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

DISCUSSION/ACTION

2. Consideration of Minutes - April 24, 2023

Motion to approve the April 24, 2023 meeting minutes as presented was made by Vice Chair John Macaluso and seconded by Member Shawn Goepfert. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

3. Crystal Lake Business Park - Historic Tree Removal Request

Chad Cowart, Cowart and Sons Development LLC, explained the details of the request and that he plans to preserve 15 out of 19 larger trees on site and wants to remove four smaller trees that are close to the pavement. This decision was supported by Steve Edgars, City Forrester.

Motion to propose mitigation of thirty-nine (39) trees to Council was made by

*Vice Chair John Macaluso and
seconded by Member Shawn Goepfert.
Motion carried unanimously by voice
vote.*

4. Spruce Creek Dredging Project

Niles Cyzycki, Activity Project Manager with Volusia County Coastal Division, and Shailesh Patel, Dredging and Marine Consultants, provided an overview of the Spruce Creek dredging project in hopes of getting support from the board. Volusia County hired Mr. Patel and his team for the project.

Member Goepfert mentioned Rose Bay's past dredging project and how it impacted the quality of life and water and is all for this project. Chair Cunningham asked how long they expect the project to be (after permits, etc) and Mr. Cyzycki said hopefully about 3-4 months. He explained the sand wouldn't be discarded but rather laid over the landfill and seeded.

5. Items for Next Agenda

Tree Cities of the World
Garden Spot at Riverwalk
Watergoats
Discussion on Family Days

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none

BOARD COMMENTS

Vice Chair Macaluso commented that he was pleased to see a cell phone tower, that was previously exposed, is now covered and that it looks much better.

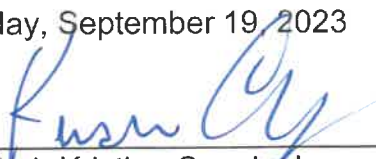
Angelina Rossi, newly appointed member, introduced herself and her interests in environmental studies.

Tim Burman, Community Development Director, explained how the board can support the Down Under Plan through grants.

ADJOURNMENT – 6:09 p.m.

6. Next Meeting Date: Monday, September 11, 2023 @ 4:00 p.m.

7. Board Report to City Council: Tuesday, September 19, 2023


Chair Kristine Cunningham