MEETING AGENDA

March 13, 2014
9:00 AM

FULL AGENCY · Mayor Bob Minning, ABM Chair

1. CALL TO ORDER / WELCOME

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

3. APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 9TH FULL AGENCY MEETING SUMMARY

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

5. SHULTZ FERRY PARK

Mr. Ed Turanchik, Akerman LLP, will update the Agency on a proposed public-private partnership to develop a ferry terminal on the northwestern end of the Port Redwing Peninsula in order to establish a commuter, recreational and tourist passenger ferry service in Tampa Bay.

6. COASTAL ISLANDS SANCTUARIES

Ms. Ann Paul, Audubon Florida and Mr. Mark Rachal, Sanctuary Manager, will provide an overview of the history the Coastal Islands Sanctuaries and current efforts to protect the great colonial water bird populations of the Florida coast and the natural systems that support them.

7. TAMPA BAY SEA LEVEL RISE COORDINATION

Ms. Libby Carnahan, Pinellas County SeaGrant Extension Agent, and Mr. Thomas Ruppert, Florida Sea Grant Coastal Planning Specialist, will provide a report on the Regional Collaborative Sea Level Rise Project Inventory meeting held in January and other efforts underway in Pinellas County to address sea level rise.

8. OTHER ITEMS

9. ADJOURN

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The full Agency met on January 9, 2014 in the Council conference room located at 4000 Gateway Centre Boulevard, Pinellas Park, FL. Vice Mayor Woody Brown chaired the meeting.

Members/alternates present included the following:

Woody Brown, ABM Vice Chair, City of Largo/TBRPC
Lizanne Garcia, SWFWMD
Sarah Josuns, City of Clearwater
Jim Spangler, Egmont Key Alliance
Norman Blake, Pasco Citizen
Serra Herndon, Tampa Bay Watch
Jason Kirkpatrick, MacDill AFB
Eric Raymond, Williams/Gulfstream
George Isiminger, Port Manatee
Cathy Quindiagan, TBEB CAC
Jim Igler, Florida Aquarium
Liz Foeller, Mosaic
Sally Thompson, Tampa Bay Conservancy
Peter Plage, USFWS
Heather Maggio, City of Tampa
Holly Greening, Tampa Bay Estuary Program
Jan Platt, Recreational Fishing Interests
Ivana Blankenship, Tampa Bay Water
Shawn College, Hillsborough Planning Commission
Terrie Weeks, Suncoast Sierra Club
Al Higinbotham, Hillsborough County
Mark Sramek, NOAA NMFS
Andrea Alden, FWC

Other individuals present:

Vicki Parsons, Bay Soundings
Cindy Davis, Gulfport Citizen
Al Davis, Gulfport Citizen
Bill Fehring
Curtis Franklin, Pasco County
Peter Krulder, FDEP

Melissa Harrison, Pinellas County
Mary James, The Ash Group
Shelby Butts, Birkitt Environmental Services
Avera Wynne, TBRPC
Maya Burke, TBRPC/ABM Staff

Agenda Item 1  Call to Order/Welcome
Vice Chair Brown called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

Agenda Item 2  Public Comment
No public comments were made.

Agenda Item 3  Approval of the October 10, 2013 Full Agency Meeting Minutes
Upon a motion by Mr. Clark and a second by Ms. Platt, the meeting summary was approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 4  Recap of the December 12, 2013 Meeting of the Natural Resources/Environmental Impact Review Committee
Ms. Burke offered a summary of the meeting in which Ms. Cooper was honored for her 29 years of service to the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council and attendees provided feedback to be used in the economic evaluation of Tampa Bay.

Agenda Item 5  Announcements
Ms. Burke noted that meeting announcements and agendas have gone paperless; members should only expect this material via email in the future. Ms. Burke also requested that agencies and organizations supply summaries of their recent accomplishments to be included in the Spring issue of Bay Soundings which will feature a State of
the Bay report. Finally, Ms. Burke encouraged everyone to participate in the Editorial Advisory Committee for Bay Soundings. Ms. Thompson informed everyone that the 25th anniversary of the Jan Platt Environmental Lands Acquisition Protection Program will be celebrated on April 11th.

**Agenda Item 6: Unit Management Plan for Anclote Key Preserve State Park**
Mr. Peter Krulder, FDEP Park Manager, explained the goals, objectives and actions included in the Unit Management Plan for Anclote Key State Park, which spans portions of Pasco and Pinellas counties and includes Anclote Key, Three Rooker Island (an area of global significance for shorebirds) and North Anclote Bar. The plan is scheduled to go before the Governor for approval by June 2014. Ms. Platt inquired about the abundance of scallops and stone crabs and the legality of harvesting in that area. Mr. Sramek asked about changes to public access for tour boats on the south end of Anclote Key. He also commented on the dynamic nature of the channel to the south and verified that it is a federal channel.

**Agenda Item 7: MacDill Air Force Base Improvements and Restoration Efforts**
Mr. Jason Kirkpatrick, MacDill Air Force Base, briefed the Agency on the military’s ongoing efforts to reduce wildlife attractants near the airfield by addressing areas subjected to periodic ponding in times of heavy rainfall. He also sought feedback on a proposed mangrove restoration project that will use hydro-blasting instead of heavy equipment. Mr. Clark asked about maintaining the channel when hydro-blasting. Mr. Kirkpatrick noted that some ditches will be retained, but others in the northern portion of the site will be blocked to establish salt marsh habitat. Mr. Sramek asked if any collateral monitoring on stunted mangroves will be conducted and sought clarification on how the acreage was quantified. Mr. Kirkpatrick explained that approximately 1/3 of the project mounds were surveyed and the average acreage per mound values were then extrapolated using photointerpretation. Ms. Platt and Mr. Clark asked questions about rattlesnakes and burrowing owls, respectively.

**Agenda Item 8: Master Water Plan Update**
Ms. Ivana Blankenship, Tampa Bay Water, reviewed the Long-Term Master Water Plan 2013 Update. The update carries forward project concepts previously approved by Tampa Bay Water and does not include any new projects due to decreased demands throughout the region. Ms. Davis wanted to know what Tampa Bay Water is doing with regards to the presence of pharmaceuticals and other microconstituents in the drinking water supply. Mr. Blake inquired about the current production level of the Apollo Beach desalination plant and expressed a preference for any future desalination plants to be located at Anclote. Ms. Thompson expressed curiosity about the geographic representation of respondents and clarified that indirect potable reuse was not included in the list of potential future water supply development projects. Ms. Foeller asked whether intake structures along the Hillsborough and Alafia rivers are being evaluated for additional withdrawal quantities. Finally, Ms. Burke noted that it is a challenge to balance the public preference for new potable water quantities to be obtained through desalination or other alternatives with the utility’s obligation to its rate payers to develop a sustainable water supply at the lowest cost and suggested that OROP may be evaluated to prioritize existing supplies (including costlier alternatives) over newer supplies that continue to rely on traditional groundwater sources. Ms. Blankenship also fielded questions relating to conservation practices and private wells.

**Agenda Item 9: Other Items**
No other items were brought before the Agency.

**Agenda Item 10: Adjourn**
Vice Chair Brown adjourned the meeting at 10:47 a.m.