

**MINUTES OF MEETING
LAND ACQUISITION & MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (L.A.M.P.) BOARD
March 25, 2010 3:30 PM**

Proceedings of meeting held in the Commission Conference Room, St. Johns County Administration Building, 500 San Sebastian View, St. Augustine, Florida.

Members Present: Mark Middlebrook, Chuck Padera, Rich Turnbull
Michael Adams and Nick McAuliffe

Members Absent: Lee Gerald, Sarah Owen Gledhill and Charles Metcalf

Staff Present: Tony Cubbedge – Environmental Division

1. Welcome / Call to Order

Turnbull called the meeting to order at 3:35 P.M. and welcomed those present.

2. LAMP Business Items

a. Approval of Minutes of the July 23, 2009 meeting

Motion by Middlebrook, seconded by McAuliffe. Carried 5/0 to approve the minutes of the July 23, 2009 meeting as submitted.

b. Maratea Phase II

Cubbedge recounted the Maratea Phase I acquisition and successful FCT application County staff prepared with the City of St. Augustine Beach. The pending return of \$4.5 M (~86% of the purchase price of \$5.25M) through the FCT application has led the Beach to plan an upcoming meeting on 4/5/10 to discuss the next steps. Options they may consider include buying the remaining 4.5 acres, pay off the bond debt the voters approved, pay off some of the debt and use some for amenities on Phase I. The board suggested a purchase of Phase II and continued work with County and Beach staff on the acquisition and FCT partnering that proved so successful on Phase I.

Motion by Padera, second by Middlebrook to support acquisition of Phase II of the Maratea tract and continued partnering on the acquisition and FCT application process. Motion carried 5/0.

Commissioner Bryan and Stevenson will be informed of the motion and LAMP motion presented at the 4/5/10 Beach meeting since no formal action can come before our BCC before the 4/5/10 meeting.

c. Florida Forever Update- Re-rank and Muller

The Acquisition and Restoration Council (ARC) will re-rank Florida Forever projects in June under the new rule criteria. Though funding remains questionable this year for Florida Forever, maintaining top ranking ensures monies St. Johns County sends to Tallahassee in the form of documentary stamps has an opportunity to return with future land purchases. Staff will seek assistance of Jim Muller, MAI, who wrote our Blueway proposals and also maintained the top ranking in 2007 during the re-ranking process.

Motion by Middlebrook, second by McAuliffe to recommend using Muller in support of the re-ranking efforts for the St. Johns County Blueway projects. Motion carried 5/0.

3. LAMP Workshop Item

a. LAMP Management Focus 2010

Cubbedge updated the Board on the current funding challenges at the State level. The LAMP Board will have more of a management focus this year with the acquisition funding shortfalls. The May meeting will take place at Vaill Point and Canopy Shores Park. We will meet at the administration

building and have a van to transport folks if they prefer. We will focus on the management of these passive parks and get to see one recently developed site, Vaill Point, and one in the planning stage, Canopy Shores.

4. Member Reports

McAuliffe noted the recent passing of Paul Geiser, the former LAMP member who served in the archaeological role. Paul will be dearly missed as he was one of the founding LAMP members.

Middlebrook noted that the St. Johns River license plates items were moving through the House and recently cleared 2 Committees. The St. Johns River Summit is planned for September 15-16, 2010 at the Prime Osbourne Convention Center

Adams noted the return of the Hastings Cabbage and Potato festival May 8, 2010.

Turnbull noted an upcoming presentation of artwork from the Turnbull Mitigation site that will be presented to the BCC on 4/6/10. The work was done at the 9 ac wetland creation site and will grace the walls of the Commission office commemorating a successful project.

5. Public Comment

No public comment

6. Adjournment

Turnbull called the meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m., seconded by Adams, carried 5/0 to adjourn meeting.

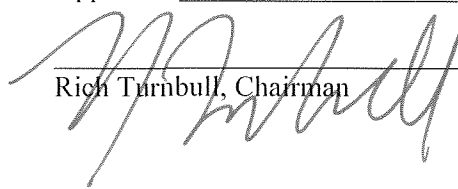
An audio tape of this meeting is on file and available for review in the St. Johns County Environmental Division.

Respectfully submitted by:



Tony Cubbage, Recorder

Approved 9-23-, 2010



Rich Turnbull, Chairman