

TRAILER ESTATES PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT

WORKSHOP

JULY 14, 2008

9:30 A.M.

SMALL HALL

1903 69TH AVENUE WEST

BRADENTON, FLORIDA 34207

- 1. Sale of Treadmill & Mower (John Vander Molen)**
- 2. Termite Treat Office & Large & Small Hall
(John Vander Molen)**
- 3. Marina Dredging (John Vander Molen)**
- 4. Opening in Office Wall (John Vander Molen)**
- 5. Cutting Lawn (John Vander Molen)**
- 6. Review Bid Procedure (John Vander Molen)**

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Memorandum for Workshop discussion July 14, 2008

July 8, 2008

To: Whom it May Concern:

From: John Vander Molen, Maintenance Trustee

Re: Marina Dredging

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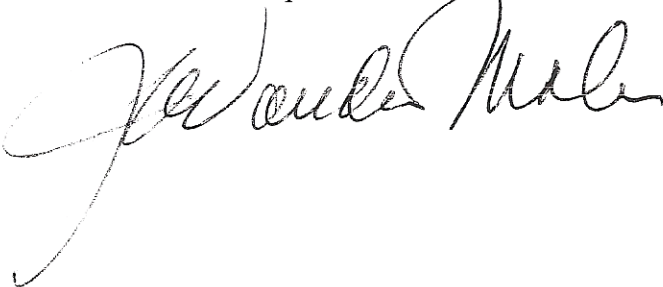
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There have been some very recent requests from a few residents to consider saving money by having the marina dredged now by the same company that is presently contracted by West Coast Inland Navigation District, and is dredging the outer channels used by TE and Bayshore Garden. The fact that the dredge equipment is on site and the spoils are being pumped to an adjacent area (the site of the former Bay Drive Golf driving range) may be a cost saving.

I have called and talked to the following individuals regarding this matter.

Kristena Tignor – Tignor Marine Engineer
Mr. Chuck Froman – Manatee County Public Works Department
Juan Garland – Supervisor, Energy Resources, Dredging Contractors

1. TIME: This information is based on input from the Tignor Marine Engineering Group at a meeting last year and in a conversation with Kristena Tignor on July 2, 2008. This is the company that managed the previous dredging done in 1992. She stated that it would take 10 days to two weeks to do a survey of the marina to determine if the Marina needed dredging, and if so how much material to be removed. Then at the very best one to two months secure permits. On June 24, 2008 a Mr. Juan Garland of the Energy Resource Company doing the dredging said they would be in the canal dredging about 30 to 40 more days.
2. NEED: We have no real information verifying the actual need to dredge. The Tignor Group stated that I would be quite unusual to have the marina re-dredged so soon. Ms. Tignor said however it is very possible it may only need "spot dredging" caused by the three storm drains that empty into the marina. These selective spots could be better done from a landside clamshell crane a much less costly project.
3. FINANCE: At this time there are no funds in the recently amended budget other than a potential end of year fund balance available for the \$8000 survey and permit process nor the cost of actual dredging Tignor Group said that the dredging could be about \$100,000.00. Assuming that we might cut 25% to 30% off that estimate that still might total about \$80,000.00. I do not believe the fund balance could finance that.
4. PERCEPTIONS BY RESIDENTS: The Board in the past has been severely criticized for undertaking unannounced projects in the summer when there are very so few residents available for input and comments.



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Therefore, I believe we should not proceed with dredging this fiscal year but proceed with the following course of action.

Soon after the first of the new fiscal year we should contract for a survey of the marina and based on the results seek permits to dredge the marina if warranted. There is \$20,000.00 in the 2008-2009 Budget that was the beginning of a five-year plan for dredging. This could go part way to cover some of the cost for dredging next year. This survey is valid for 6 months from completion. Permits are valid for one year. With the time constraints, once committed we would be obligated to move forward with contract bidding and arranging for financing.

Some other comments by Ms. Tignor were as follows.

With the data the Tignor group has from the previous 1992-dredging project some dollars will be saved.

Being possible hostage to the dredger currently on site prevents competitive bidding.

If spot dredging is all that is needed the cost will be greatly reduced by using a landside crane.

It may be possible that the local area to haul and dump the spoils (currently in use is the old golf driving range on Bay Drive) could be used. If not there many other sites available in Manatee County for this.

W. G. M.