

ROTONDA WEST ASSOCIATION, INC
AQUATIC COMMITTEE
MINUTES

Wednesday, October 23, 2019

Present: Stan Plizga (Chair), Hank Killion, Nick Gizzi, Bob Winter and Wayne Mengel

Absent: John House

Volunteers Present: David Gusman, James Peterfeso, and Ron Beckett

Members Present: Paul Millington, Dan Froedge

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Stan Plizga and roll call was taken.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of August 28, 2019 meeting were approved via email.

New Business:

1. Aquatics Charter: Stan Plizga distributed copies of the Board-approved Aquatics Committee Charter.
2. Fish Survey: Stan Plizga distributed copies of a proposal to conduct a fish survey in Broadmoor Park written by Ron Aho, Marine Biologist, dated 7/2/2019. The survey is part of a larger biological evaluation. It would include physical and chemical parameters, plants and algae, and invertebrate and vertebrate populations. The survey will be conducted by volunteers from the community.

Old Business:

1. Task Sheet: Stan Plizga reviewed and use of the Task Sheet for monitoring the actions of the Committee. It was agreed to use the Task Sheet for future monitoring.
2. Maintenance Manual update: Stan Plizga reported that the new Water Sampling procedures will be placed in the Maintenance Manual. Procedures for the handling of the samples before and after the actual sampling will also be developed and added. Stan then stated that for safety reasons water sampling should always be done with two members present. This will also become a part of the revised Maintenance Manual. He reiterated that the purpose of the Manual is to document the procedures and practices used monitor the canals, lakes and ponds within Rotonda West.

Committee/Volunteer Input:

1. Hank Killion reported that next year the Storm and Drainage MSBU will conduct a depth survey of the Rotonda River, the results of which may require sediment removal.
2. Bob Winter emphasized the need to continue the education of the community through large group presentations about the maintenance and quality of the canals, lakes and ponds within Rotonda.

Resident Input: Dan Froedge reported large quantities of water lettuce in the canal behind his house. Stan explained the Association is aware of the problem and there are two men maintaining the canals daily. He further explained that the RWA's Manager maintains a log documenting these activities. He went on to explain that the water lettuce is a new phenomenon and is being dealt with as quickly as possible. Stan said that the proper procedure for registering complaints is to do so through the RWA Manger who will work with the contractor to remedy the problem.

The next regularly-scheduled Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 27, 2019.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Mengel