

Navarre Beach Marine Sanctuary Committee Minutes

May 21, 2012

Present: Mandy Evers, Bob Byrer, PJ Danneker, Melissa Addison, Mike Sandler, Nancy Sandler, Lenore Nichols\

Meeting start: 6:31PM

A. Installation Progress

- a. Sound Side Reefs – Installation complete. Waiting on sign approval for marker pilings
- b. Gulf Side Reefs – Ready to start installation; waiting for a 7 day window of calm seas.

B. Sponsorship

- a. Signs - Waiting for quote to enclose signs in plexiglass and stickers. Committee recommended replacing text at bottom of sign with logos for TDC and BBOCC. Also asked to add website/instructions to adopt a reef to sign. Sign dimensions need to be 31” x 49” to fit in signs. **Meet June 4 at noon at the Pier to discuss animal/education info on sign panels and other design elements.** Will have final proof by next meeting and to give Foundation an idea of signs for their meeting June 12.
- b. Sponsor Plaques - approved moving forward with using stickers as plaques. Will get quotes on metal or plastic plaques by next meeting. Verified the Navarre Chamber of Commerce is receiving plaque for their donations to the committee.
- c. Amount Sold – 8 trees, 1 branch.

C. Ribbon Cutting Event – Discussed schedule of events. Set of May 22 at 11AM.

D. Community Awareness (Nancy)

- a. Past Events – None
- b. Future Events – Ribbon Cutting, Thursdays in the Park (every Thursday), World Ocean Festival June 9 from 10-5PM

E. Other Business

- a. 2012 Run for the Reef - 8 registrations
- b. Quilt Fundraiser – Lenore Nichols will donate her “reef magic” quilt for raffle as a fundraiser. The committee agreed to move forward with this fundraiser. Lenore will get a picture of quilt to Mark or Mandy to post on website.
- c. Non-profit – Discussed possibility of pursuing individual non-profit status. Discussed the pros and cons. Talked about FunFest booth; all funds in donation bucket at booth were put in committee’s account, all donations from beer tent to Foundation’s general account. More research needed. Nancy said she could look at the costs
- d. What’s next –

- Marking Gulf side reef: Mandy mentioned marking it like the Oriskany is marked (underwater floats at the corners). Will discuss with county engineer and research more to see if permits would need to be amended.
- Mandy will be stepping down as chair person in July

F. Next Meeting – June 25 at 6:30PM. Location to be determined.

G. Adjourn – 7:38PM