

**SUSTAINABILITY BOARD  
APPROVED REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 24, 2016**

Pursuant to public notice, Chairman Jeff Chestine convened a regular meeting of the Sustainability Board on Wednesday February 24, 2016, at 7:01 p.m., in the Council Chamber. Board Members present were John Fergus, David Vigliotti, Mindy Gibson and Dylan Hansen. Staff Members present were Mayor Frank Catino, City Manager Courtney Barker and Recording Secretary Julie Finch. Board Members Scott Waymire, Josh Pause, and Eugene Mathews were not present.

Chairman Jeff Chestine led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mindy Gibson introduced herself as a new Board Member.

**(TIME: 7:03 P.M.) PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Frank Catino asked the Board if he could invite a speaker to address the Board. Mr. Defreeze is the head of the National Estuary Program and works to get grants for the lagoon systems locally.

**(TIME: 7:05 P.M.) PRESENTATION FROM FPL ON SOLAR INITIATIVES FROM BART GAETJENS**

Bart Gaetjens introduced David Bates, a Program Manager with a specialty in solar, to speak about FPL solar projects in Florida communities. He spoke about several solar canopy projects around the state and how they weather better than roof fixed systems. He spoke about how much kilowatt hours are generated from these fixtures and the inverters that are installed along with them.

The Board asked several questions about where Satellite Beach could possibly host a solar canopy. Mr. Bates explained some of the requirements that FPL needs to consider making a solar canopy affordable while also making a return on their investment. FPL offered to take a tour of the City to find possible locations where a canopy might work.

Public Comment- Diane Douglas, Satellite Beach resident, asked about solar cost to residential consumers going up or down.

**(TIME: 8:00 P.M.) PRESENTATION FROM DYLAN HANSEN ON WATER QUALITY**

Dylan Hansen shared a video of a clean-up that was conducted near Pineda Causeway. This is an ongoing project where he and other residents are cleaning up areas of the County that may be considered as a lost cause and encouraging the community to keep it clean.

Mr. Hansen also shared a video about the sugar industry in Florida and the pollution it creates. He spoke about how algae blooms and undergrowth of the sea grass are going to be affecting the environment from the water that has been tainted from growing the sugar. Courtney Barker gave some history about Amendment 1 and how it effects water and land conservation in Florida.

**(TIME: 8:32 P.M.) PROJECT UPDATES FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Mindy Gibson would like to coordinate a garbage pick-up themed 5k.

Jeff Chestine spoke about his progress with the Smart Yard program and creating an advisory group to oversee the contractors for the program.

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John Fergus spoke about Ray Osbourne holding a public meeting to speak about solar energy options and how it is moving toward being cost effective to homeowners. This meeting will be on April 16th at the Satellite Beach Public Library at 9:30 am.

**(TIME: 8:45 P.M.) DISCUSS/TAKE ON BRANDING ITEMS AND DOMAIN NAMES**

Item was tabled until next meeting.

**(TIME: 8:46 P.M.) ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES: JANUARY 27, 2016 AND SEPTEMBER 1, 2015**

**ACTION:** Board Member Fergus MOVED, SECOND by Board Member Vigliotti to adopt the minutes. VOTE: ALL YES. MOTION CARRIED.

**(TIME: 8:47 P.M.) AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

Jeff Chestine spoke about attendance and how that affects a Board Member keeping their position. Courtney said that the Board should motion to take the issue to Council and have them decide if a Board Member can be dismissed before their position expires.

**ACTION:** Board Member Vigliotti MOVED, SECOND by Board Member Gibson. VOTE: THREE YES; ONE NO (Fergus). MOTION CARRIED.

Board would like to have Duane Defreese present on Indian River Lagoon National Estuary Program.

Courtney Barker asked the Board if they wanted to make legislative platforms on topics.

**(TIME: 8:55 P.M.) ADJOURNMENT**

**ACTION:** Board Member Fergus MOVED, SECOND by Board Member Vigliotti to adjourn. VOTE: ALL YES. MOTION CARRIED.

Next meeting: March 27, 2016.



Julie Finch

Recording Secretary