

**ENVIRONMENTALLY ENDANGERED LANDS (EEL) PROGRAM
SELECTION & MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (SMC)
September 16, 2005
Attendance List**

SELECTION & MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Dave Breininger
Ron Hight
Ross Hinkle
Paul Schmalzer
Kim Zarillo

EEL PROGRAM STAFF

Laura Clark
Judy Gregoire
Mike Knight
Chris O'Hara
Brad Manley
D. Scott Taylor

THE NATURE CONSERVANCY

Keith Fountain

GUESTS

Susan Gosselin, Brevard County Natural Resources Management Office
Gail Hoffman, Brevard County Natural Resources Management Office
Bill Tallmann, Vistar Realty
Courteny Roberts, citizen
Rocky Randels, citizen

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Meeting Minutes**

CALL TO ORDER:

Ross Hinkle called the meeting to order at 1:03 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

MINUTES:

The May 6, 2005 minutes were presented for approval.

Ross asked for comments to the May minutes.

MOTION ONE:

Paul Schmalzer moved to approve the May 6, 2005 minutes as presented.

Kim Zarillo seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously

The June 22, 2005 minutes were presented for approval.

Ross asked for comments to the June 22, 2005 minutes.

MOTION TWO

Paul moved to approve the June 22 minutes, as presented.

Kim seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW:

The Administrative Review was discussed.

SMC REPORTS:

Ross Hinkle said that he has been asked to present information on conservation activities of the Endangered Lands Program at the Gopher Tortoise Council meeting, which is being held in Palatka.

OLD BUSINESS:

Hog Point – (Vistar Realty) property

Paul reviewed the report from the August 25th site visit. The area is largely impounded wetlands with the interior of the marsh being primarily mangroves. The dike road has been

maintained by mosquito control. There are some exotics, but approximately 80% of the plants on the site are native. The property is within the Blueways Project so the opportunity for a possible funding partner exists. The property is adjacent to County owned property and near the EEL Program Hog Point Sanctuary. The area has been proposed for development. The owner of the property attended the meeting.

Concern was expressed regarding access to the property. Clarification was provided that this would be researched during due diligence.

MOTION THREE

Paul moved for a first majority vote to allow for appraisals on the Hog Point (Vistar Realty) property.

Ron Hight seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Review of Blueway Project (North Indian River Lagoon)

Mike provided information from the August 24, 2005 workshop which was scheduled to discuss future stormwater impacts to natural areas as a result of planned development in the north part of the county.

Paul commented that Phase II Blueway properties were also important, and that they had not been included in Phase I due to funding limitations.

Ron stated his feeling that we first needed to move towards assessing everything in the area for willing sellers in order to determine what areas might be available.

Ross asked if staff could meet with TNC to relay the information discussed during the meeting, and ask if TNC could let the SMC know their perception of priority as well as what kind of schedule could be estimated for gathering willing seller information.

NEW BUSINESS:

EEL Building and Office Space

Mike explained that the current lease for the EEL Program office expires May 31, 2005 and that the building has been sold. The SMC discussed the need for the Program to have a base of operations for staff as well as a protected area for the storage of equipment.

MOTION FOUR

Paul moved that the SMC support the EEL Program finding a permanent facility to support land management and staff activities.

Parker Property (Parcel "A" Aquarina PUD (6 ± acres))

Mike provided preliminary information on a small parcel of land in the South Beach area. The SMC expressed their interest in scheduling a site visit to obtain additional information.

NEXT MEETING:

Staff will poll members to determine the next meeting date.

ADJOURNED:

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 PM.

SUMMARY OF MEETING MOTIONS:

- Motion to approve the May 6, 2005 minutes.
- Motion to approve the June 22, 2005 minutes
- Motion for a first majority vote to allow for appraisals on the Hog Point (Vistar Realty) property.
- Motion to support the EEL Program finding a permanent facility to support land management and staff activities.