

## **Minutes – June 16, 2016**

### **Brazoria County Shoreline Restoration Task Force**

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The meeting was held at Freeport Historical Museum

#### Members Present:

Dude Payne, Commissioner, Brazoria County Pct. 1  
J.R. Norris, Asst. Director Brazoria County Parks Department  
Joe Ripple, Floodplain Administrator Brazoria County  
Kelli Smith, Administrator, Brazoria County Pct. 1  
Dodie Armstrong, Representative Randy Weber's Office  
Jeff Pynes, City Manager, City of Freeport  
Larry Davison, Mayor, Village of Surfside  
Mark Fuqua, Treasure Island MUD  
Dianna Kile, Port Freeport

#### Guests:

Roy Edwards, San Bernard River  
Jan Edwards, San Bernard River  
Gloria Powell, San Bernard River  
Stephanie M. Cribbs, m TxDOT Maritime  
Casey Connor, MOTT MACDONALD  
Thomas Durnin, Texas GLO – via phone  
Gabriel Garza, Intern, City of Freeport  
Mariah Carrales, Intern, City of Freeport

The meeting was called to order by Joe Ripple at 11:30 a.m.

Introductions by members and guests present.

A motion to approve September 29, 2015 minutes was made by Commissioner Dude Payne, seconded by Mark Fuqua. All voting aye, motion approved.

Thomas Durnin gave the following update to Task Force Members and guests:

- Folletts Island Restoration Project – Project cannot begin before October 2, 2016 (after sea turtle season) and must be complete by February or early March of 2017. Pre-proposal meeting scheduled for July 7, 2016, at Tarpon Room @ San Luis Pass park – Deadline for responses is July 21, 2016 – Contract awarded on August 8, 2016 – Pre-Construction meeting scheduled for September 1, 2016.
- Folletts Island Feeder Beach Project – 1 mile southwest of Kelly Hamby Park. This is a combination of decades of study. Long term nourishment for Treasure Island. Construction phase in the future. State has not allocated funding for construction. Looking at 2.5 Million. Permit is good for 5 years from received date.
- Village of Surfside – Need to amend COE permit for consideration of groins for beach nourishment. Response received from Galveston District on 6/15/16. Construction will be paid

from future CEPRA funds or some other funding. U.S. Fish is close to getting positive about this project. 18 months for permit exercise.

- CEPRA Cycle 9 – FY17, extend 45,000 to San Luis Pass Feeder Project. 600,000 to Treasure Island. Regulatory work permit from Galveston District. Thomas stated they are waiting on TI MUD to come back to GLO (?) with a proposal for funding (Casey will follow up with Thomas about this)
- Restore Act – stated the deadline has been pushed back a couple of months. Possibly Nov.

JR Norris gave the following update to the Task Force members and guest:

- Quintana Education Center – finally at a point to make a Punch List. Started project in 2009, project awarded in 2010 with a 1 million budget. The building is 1600 square feet. 25,000 received from FLNG with another 25,000 committed as well. Funding received from a CIAP Grant. 650,000 already spent. 170,000 in open purchase orders. 70,000 will be used for educational material and audio visual effects. Additional funds will be spent on signage and another boardwalk. Funds must be spent by December 31, 2016.
- Beach House at Quintana – FLNG donated a beach house located at the Quintana Park to Brazoria County. The house was remodeled inside and newly furnished. It will sleep 10 people. Parks Dept. is handling the rental of this house.

Commissioner Dude Payne gave the following update:

- San Bernard River Project – 24 month contract with Dannenbaum Engineering. Restore Act application submitted in April. 54 – 60 Million for this cycle. Project would include dredging an additional 1200' into the Gulf. County has met with state agencies more than once. There are 9 agencies looking over the projects but the ultimate decisions will be made by Toby Baker and the Governor.

Jeff Pynes told TF members that Freeport is dealing with logs and alligators on Bryan Beach since the floods.

Kelli Smith discussed ASBPA National Coastal Conference Sponsorship and membership dues

- The Task Force members would like to sponsor at the Bronze level for \$890.00 This will include registration for a member. Joe Ripple will use the registration but the county will pay for his travel expenses. Motion to approve made by Commissioner Dude Payne, seconded by Kelli Smith. All voting aye, motion approved.
- Further information will be given regarding dues. No action taken.

The next meeting will be held in September with Port Freeport hosting.

Chairman Joe Ripple adjourned the meeting.