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DATE: July 15, 2021
TO: Conservation Lands Acquisition and Stewardship Advisory Committee (CLASAC)
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CONSERVATION 20/20 MEETING NOTICE

Date: Wednesday, July 21, 2021

Location: Administration East Building – Conference Room 118
2201 Second Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901

Meeting: CLASAC: 5:30 p.m.

Backup information for this meeting provided within the email.

CLASAC Members kindly respond AS SOON AS POSSIBLE with any attendance regrets. If no response is received from you on or before 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 20, 2021, we will presume you **ARE** available for the quorum. Responses may be made via rmoneta@leegov.com or telephone 239-533-8855.

CLASAC Members:

Karen Andress	Savannah Nease
Carl Barraco (Amy H.)	John Paul
Derrick Botana	Christopher Robben
Carlene Brennen	Elaine Sarlo
Sharail Cluck	Sawyer Smith (A. Holbrook)
Ron Inge	Shane Spring
Christie Knight	Andrew Sund
	Rae Ann Wessel

County Staff:

Roger Desjarlais	Christine Brady
Dave Harner	Jesse Lavender
Pete Winton	Alise Flanjack
Glen Salyer	Colleen Via
Marc Mora	Jeremy Lamey
Betsy Clayton	Tim Gard
Robert Clemens	Karyn Allman
Marla Britton	Sherry Furnari
Leslie Erschen	Liz Szurminski
Roland Ottolini	David Loveland
Luis Molina	Pam Keyes
Lisa Kreiger	Mark Sunyak
Maria Romero	
Wanda Wooten	

Carol Lis
Becky Sweigert
Susan Hollingsworth
Lili Wu
Michael Jacob/Tina Boone
Amanda Swindle
Andrea Fraser

Other Interested Parties:

Heather Stafford, FDEP	Radford Hazan, CLT
Julie Kurisko-FDEP	Brenda Brooks, CREW
Zach Lozano-FDEP	Carl Veaux
Susan Trokey, USFWS	Charlie Whitehead
SFWM	Kathleen A. Cline
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S. Gibbons, L. Gibson	Kim Jamerson
Village of Estero: Mary Gibbs	Linda Bigelow
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Carrozzo/ Gladys Delgadillo,	John Broadhead
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C: Property Owners/Nominators Nomination 609

FORMER CLASAC Members

Rick Barber
Janet Bunch
Bill Burdette
Carie Call
TJ Cannamela
John Cassani
Charles Cook
Kenny Dobson
Dalton Drake
Kim Fikoski
Kate Gooderham

Albert Griffith
Bill Hammond
Cullum Hasty
Alex LePera
Wiley Parker
Greg Rawl
Amanda Rivera
Don Schrotenboer
Bill Spikowski
Gloria Tate
Randy Thibaut
Josh Tuyls

CONSERVATION 20/20 LAND ACQUISITION AND STEWARDSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CLASAC)

July 21, 2021

5:30 p.m.



REVISED MEETING AGENDA

**ADMINISTRATION EAST BUILDING
ROOM 118**

2201 Second Street, Fort Myers, FL 33901

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **APPROVE MINUTES: March 17, 2021**
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
4. **WELCOME NEW CLASAC MEMBER: Elaine Sarlo**
5. **NEGOTIATED PURCHASE AGREEMENT** ~~ACQUISITION REVIEW CRITERIA~~
 - A. Nomination 609
6. **LAND MANAGEMENT/RESTORATION**
 - A. Oak Hammock Preserve Update
 - B. West Marsh Preserve Update
 - C. Pine Island Flatwoods Preserve Update
7. **OTHER BUSINESS**
 - A. COMMITTEE MEMBER ITEMS (If any)
8. **SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT**
9. **SET NEXT MEETING DATE/TIMES:** THIRD WEDNESDAY, August 18, 2021
10. **ADJOURN**

MEETING MINUTES

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COMMITTEE NAME:	Conservation 20/20 Land Acquisition and Stewardship Advisory Committee (CLASAC)		
DATE:	March 17, 2021		
LOCATION:	Administration East Building, Room 118, 2201 Second Street, Fort Myers, FL 33901		
AGENDA ITEM 1:	CALL TO ORDER – Carl Barraco called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.		
DULY ADVERTISED:	Y		QUORUM: Y
COMMITTEE MEMBERS: PRESENT – 10	Karen Address, Carl Barraco, Derrick Botana, Carlene Brennan, Ron Inge, John Paul, Christopher Robben, Shane Spring, Andrew Sund, Rae Ann Wessel		
ABSENT – 4	Sharail Cluck, Christie Knight, Savannah Nease, Sawyer Smith		
STAFF PRESENT:	Marla Britton, Robert Clemens, Michael Jacob, Jesse Lavender, Reneé Moneta, Maria Romero, Colleen Via, Tim Guard, Roland Ottolini		
NOTES:	<i>There is one vacancy in District 2.</i>		
AGENDA ITEM 2:	APPROVE MINUTES – January 20, 2021		
MOTION BY/SECONDED:	Shane Spring/Ron Inge		
MOTION:	Approve the January 20, 2021 Meeting Minutes as submitted.		
DISCUSSION SUMMARY:	There was none.		
VOTE:	<i>Unanimous.</i>		
AGENDA ITEM 3:	PUBLIC COMMENT		
DISCUSSION SUMMARY:	<i>There was none.</i>		
AGENDA ITEM 4:	WELCOME NEW CLASAC MEMBER ANDREW SUND		
DISCUSSION SUMMARY:	Mr. Sund was welcomed and provided information on his background.		
AGENDA ITEM 5:	ACQUISITION REVIEW CRITERIA		
5A:	NOMINATION 278-2		
MOTION BY/SECONDED:	Shane Spring/Ron Inge		
MOTION:	Forward Nomination 278-2 for Acquisition.		
DISCUSSION SUMMARY:	Robert Clemens advised the nomination of this parcel was initiated by the Departments of Natural Resources and Parks and Recreation in order to secure the connection of a flowway in-between GS-10 and the Greenbriar Connector Preserve. This parcel scored 69-points and staff is recommending this parcel be forwarded for acquisition. Rae Ann Wessel asked if the delinquent taxes was the reason for the submittal. Robert Clemens noted as this parcel was staff initiated and we discovered the delinquent taxes while performing intake due diligence. Ron Inge asked if this parcel was isolated? Robert Clemens clarified that this parcel is connected hydrologically with the parcel to the south and GS-10.		
VOTE	<i>Unanimous.</i>		
AGENDA ITEM 6:	LAND MANAGEMENT/RESTORATION		
6A:	LARRY KIKER PRESERVE DESIGN CONTRACT		
DISCUSSION SUMMARY:	Jesse Lavender provided information to CLASAC that the contract for the Larry Kiker Preserve solicitation for designing amenities, will also include the amenities at the adjacent Hidden Cypress Preserve. The goal of the solicitation is to create national park themed amenities. The design will include water storage and diverting water from Bonita Springs, underneath I-75, and out to the Gulf of Mexico. This project is unique because of its large size. Mr. Lavender explained when you enter a national park there is usually a main entrance and amenities located off of the main entrance loop. Due to times of year when water pools in certain parts of the		

	<p>preserve we are considering having eco-tents. We expect that there will be a lot of educational aspects throughout the preserve and amenities such as fishing, hiking, horseback riding, and will have something for everyone from toddlers to senior citizens, and may also be considering having wildlife cameras out in the preserves to bring the outdoor experience to those who may be unable to physically visit the preserve. Access points will be part of the design consultants scope. Rae Ann Wessel asked if the interpretative centers would only be located in areas where observation platforms or parking were identified? Mr. Lavender responded that certain areas were identified where some of these programs may be located. This concept plan has been in the works for about two years with input from various County departments as well as the Board of County Commissioners. Mr. Lavender introduced Tim Gard who will serve as the project manager in cooperation with Roland Ottolini and the Natural Resources team. As this project is a concept, changes should be expected. When completed we anticipate this project will put us on the map.</p>
6B:	ANNUAL REPORT
DISCUSSION SUMMARY:	<p>Jesse Lavender provided an overview of a departmental staff restructuring. The restructure allows staff to work more efficiently and cost effectively. He explained there are four geographical districts. Staff biologists have been shifted into those districts. He then gave highlights of the report provided. A prescribed burn was conducted on 770 acres at the Telegraph Creek Preserve. There have been about \$2 million of exotic control projects and more are planned. Rae Ann Wessel asked about the reorganization and if the biologists would still be performing the management plans? Mr. Lavender advised that staff will still be involved with the creation of the management plans, but it is the intent to hire an outside contractor to write and produce the plans. He explained hiring outside consultants to write the plans is more cost efficient. We are also seeking to hire a firm to conduct a master exotic removal quote to get a better handle on future budgeting.</p>
AGENDA ITEM 7:	OTHER BUSINESS
7A:	TIME SENSITIVE MATTER GS-10 CONNECTOR AREA
MOTION BY/SECONDED:	Shane Spring/Rae Ann Wessel
MOTION:	Approve going forward with a Tax Deed purchase opportunity in the Greenbriar GS-10 Connector Area.
DISCUSSION SUMMARY:	<p>Robert Clemens noted this a connector piece in the Lehigh/Greenbriar area. This parcel is going to tax deed sale. If this parcel is approved, the County will not be negotiating to buy this parcel. Staff recommends approving staff to bid at an upcoming tax deed sale. Staff would also recommend performing an environmental audit. The opening bid is about \$10,000. Staff has purchased other land through this process. The sale date has not yet been determined. This parcel is part of a connectivity initiative between Greenbriar, Hickey's Creek and the Caloosahatchee River. Rae Ann Wessel commented that the urgency of these parcels is they are a part of much larger piece the GS-10 project. The sooner we are able to acquire these parcels the better our water quality will be.</p>
VOTE	<i>Unanimous.</i>

7B:	CREW EXPEDITED PROCEDURES CLARIFICATION
DISCUSSION SUMMARY:	Robert Clemens explained the CREW expedited procedure was brought up at the last meeting. Mr. Clemens clarified that since the subcommittee was disbanded, CREW parcels are brought forward in the same manner as all other parcels.
AGENDA ITEM 7C:	COMMITTEE MEMBER ITEMS (IF ANY)
DISCUSSION SUMMARY:	Rae Ann Wessel asked for an update on the GS-10 Management Plan and the Ordinance changes at the Board of County Commissioners level. Both items were approved. Robert Clemens noted as to the Ordinance changes, the appraisal process will now be streamlined, and language was updated regarding asking prices which is no longer part of the nomination process. The amended Ordinance will be sent to the state for ratification and once ratified, the Ordinance will be considered enacted.
AGENDA ITEM 8	SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT
DISCUSSION SUMMARY:	There was none.
AGENDA ITEM 9:	SET NEXT MEETING DATE TIME:
DISCUSSION SUMMARY:	The next meeting will be tentatively Wednesday, April 21, 2021. <i>This meeting was subsequently cancelled.</i>
AGENDA ITEM 10:	ADJOURN: Carl Barraco adjourned the meeting at 5:52 p.m.
RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:	Reneé Moneta