

# Tidelands Management Committee

Committee Action Minutes – DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED

Meeting Date: Wednesday, March 21, 2012 – 4:00 p.m. @ OASIS Senior Center

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**ATTENDANCE:** Mayor Nancy Gardner, Council Members Ed Selich and Mike Henn.

**Citizens Advisory Panel:** John Corrough, Win Fuller, Terry Hartman, Don Lawrenz, Jeff Herdman, Linda Beimfohr and Jerry King.

**City Staff:** Dave Webb, Michael Torres and Chris Miller.

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Mayor Gardner.
2. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items.

Dan Purcell asked when a report on oil fields would be ready, and staff responded that it was several months away.

3. The Minutes from the Committee's February 15, 2012 meeting were not available for approval.
4. Current Business

**A. Buck Gully Runoff Reduction**

Deputy Public Works Director Dave Webb will discuss the City's efforts to reduce runoff at Buck Gully

Discussion: Dave Webb gave a PowerPoint Presentation on the various measures the City has taken to reduce runoff with Buck Gully. Mayor Gardner thanked Dave for his presentation but requested that staff return with ideas on how to divert the water from entering Buck Gully whether that be through the sewage system or through some other measure. Bob Hawkins asked where the water was coming from, and staff responded that it is coming from residential and golf course uses.

**B. Semeniuk Slough Dredging**

Deputy Public Works Director Dave Webb will discuss the status of the proposed dredging project at the Semeniuk / Newport Sloughs.

Discussion: Assistant City Engineer Bob Stein gave a PowerPoint Presentation on dredging the Semeniuk Slough area with focus on the permitting and construction hurdles that are still present. Councilmember Henn asked why not offer the "one and done" concept to the Corps? There was discussion about Corps funding and mitigation dollars needed for the project. A question was asked if some of the oil money could help pay for the project? Another question was asked about the origin of the DDT that was present, and the reply was from agriculture. There was also a discussion about encroachments into the Slough, and how that might relate to similar encroachments on the ocean beaches. If there were encroachment funds and if it was collected from the Tidelands, then it would go back into the Tidelands Fund.

Likewise, if encroachment funds were collected from outside the Tidelands area, then it would go to the General Fund.

**C. Linda Isle Inner Lagoon – Dredging**

The Linda Isle Homeowners Association will give a presentation on solutions for dredging the private inner lagoon at Linda Isle.

Discussion: Linda Isle HOA Board Member Donna Viana gave a PowerPoint Presentation on the inner lagoon, and the need for dredging. She explained that the community had funds available (about \$400,000) to get the project started, but that they would invite the City to participate in exchange for making the inner lagoon publically accessible. Ms. Viana stated that the recent Upper Bay dredging project's environmental report said that there would be a concern with fallout from the Upper Bay dredging. CAP Member John Corrough asked how does an eelgrass island create a navigable waterway for the City. Who owns the waterway?

**D. Citizens Advisory Panel Update on the Tidelands Infrastructure Management Plan**

The Citizens Advisory Panel will update the Committee on their March 6, 2012 meeting where the Tidelands Infrastructure Management Plan was discussed.

Discussion: CAP Member Don Lawrenz gave a brief presentation on the committee's progress with the TIMP and how they had devised a rating system for the projects. Councilmember Henn requested that the CAP return to the next meeting with all of the projects ranked.

Presentations available online at [www.newportbeachca.gov/CityManager](http://www.newportbeachca.gov/CityManager).

**5. Topics for Future Agendas.**

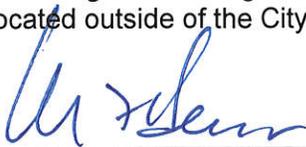
- Little Corona and Buck Gully Diversion
- Oil well progress report
- Tidelands Infrastructure Management Plan
- Semeniuk Slough Follow Up

**6. Next Meeting.** The Committee set its next meeting for April 18, 2012, at 4:00 p.m. at the OASIS Senior Center.

**7.** Adjournment around 6:15 PM.

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The agenda for the Regular Meeting was posted on February 10, 2012 at 4:45 p.m. on the City Hall Bulletin Board located outside of the City of Newport Beach Administration Building.




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Tidelands Management Committee Chair