

**EWAB Meeting Minutes,
River Bend Municipal Building, 51 Shoreline Drive
Monday October 7, 2024**

In Attendance:

Paige Ackiss
Jim Stevens
Jon Hall
Patty Leonard
Karl Lichty
Councilman Brian Leonard

Not In Attendance

Ali Frederick
Ray Jaklitsch

Meeting called to order by Chair Jon Hall at 7:03pm.

Motion by Paige Ackiss to approve minutes from August 5, 2024 meeting, seconded by Patty Leonard,
Motion carried.

Town Council Report:

Councilman Leonard announced that Mayor John Kirkland passed away on Saturday, September 28, 2024. A beautiful service was performed, and the mayor will be laid to rest at Arlington Cemetery at a later date. Buddy Sheffield will act as Mayor Pro-Tem until a new Mayor is elected on November 5, 2024.

Update on the Water and Sewer Projects. The two projects have been consolidated into one grant for additional funds to help with any shortfalls. These are separate from the two grants of 9 million each for the new Water Treatment Plant and Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Old Business:

Update on the Alligator Weed. Patty Leonard called the Coast Guard station to determine if the alligator weed became a hazard to navigation would the Coast Guard remediate it. Waiting on call from their environmental officer.

Monofilament disposal - Paige is going to meet with Delane to find out when Public Works is going to make the receptacles.

Jon Hall will be checking with the most recent appointee to the EWAB to determine if she is still interested in serving on the committee. She has not attended any meeting since her appointment by the Council.

New Business:

Karl Lichy brought up the weeds and plants growing over the walkway and there is a Beware of Alligator sign and the weeds over the path by the playground and dog park are a possible hazard. Councilman Leonard said it would be given attention by public works.

National Night Out is scheduled for October 18 2024. Paige, Jon and Patty will man the table. Paige will bring the EWAB sign and handouts, Patty will bring the tent.

Marker #3 has been fixed at the entrance to Plantation Canal and also the one on the other side has been replaced.

Volunteer Hours:

Paige Ackiss- 1
Jim Stevens -1
Jon Hall – 3
Patty Leonard -2
Karl Lichy -1

Motion was made to cancel the November 4, 2024 meeting by Paige Ackiss, 2nd by Jim Stevens, motion passed.

Motion was made by Paige Ackiss to adjourn, seconded by Jim Stevens, motion passed. Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Leonard
Secretary

Jon Hall
Chair