

1. Requested Motion:

Motion to appoint members to various advisory committees.

Meeting Date: June 16, 2014

Why the action is necessary:

Fills current vacancies on various Advisory Committees.

What the action accomplishes:

Fills vacancies on Town Advisory Committees

2. Agenda:

- Consent
 Administrative

3. Requirement/Purpose:

- Resolution
 Ordinance
 Other

4. Submitter of Information:

- Council
 Town Staff
 Town Attorney

5. Background:

Several Advisory Committees have vacancies, and we anticipate one additional on BORCAB and one on CELCAB.

- Anchorage Advisory Committee – Two (2) vacancies (both expire Oct 2015)
- Community Resource Advisory Board – One (1) vacancy (expires Oct 2015)
- Marine Resources Task Force (MRTF) – One (1) vacancy (expires Oct 2014)
- Public Safety Committee (PSC) – One (1) vacancy (expires Oct 2015)

The Town Clerk's office has received requests from several interested applicants for the vacancies:

- Cynthia Richardson – CELCAB
- Marjorie Prasse - CELCAB
- FMB Chamber of Commerce – PSC
- Anthony Scopel – CRAB, LPA or PSC
- Cathryn Condon – CRAB or CELCAB
- Pete Frye – LPA, MRTF or PSC
- Glen Thompson - MRTF

Also, several of the committees have positions that will expires this October. Current members will need to apply again, in writing, on or before September 1, 2014 to be considered for re-appointment to their applicable positions. The re-appointments will take place at the first Town Council meeting in October. Council may prefer to make all appointments, including the above, at the October 6, 2014 meeting.

Why the action is necessary:

6. Alternative Action:

7. Management Recommendations:

None

8. Recommended Approval:

Town Manager	Town Attorney	Finance Director	Public Works Director	Community Development Director	Parks & Recreation Director	Town Clerk
						

9. Council Action:

- Approved Denied Deferred Other

May 26, 2014

To Town Council Members:

Hello. My name is Cynthia Richardson, and I am applying for a position on CELCAB. I'll share a bit of background information and then my qualifications.

My family has been coming to Fort Myers Beach to visit my parents since the 70's. Two years ago, my husband and I retired and became permanent residents of Florida. We are privileged to reside with my father, Warren Babcock. Dad was an early friend of the Mound House and supports its goal of being a cultural museum and environmental learning center. I share this vision, as well as his love of history. We live at 474 Washington Court, directly across the canal from the Mound House.

This location presents my first unique qualification - I can be a true neighborhood representative. Some CELCAB members have mentioned to me that being from the area would be an advantage to the Board in the interests of input and cohesiveness. While I'm aware of the history of the Mound House, including the more recent renovation projects, I believe I can bring a fresh and open-minded perspective.

My career experiences are lengthy and varied and contribute to my perspective. After receiving a Masters in guidance and counseling from The Ohio State University, I've worked for the State of Ohio; Columbus Public, South-Western, and Gahanna school systems; and private employers. My final employment was as a high school guidance counselor. My work and volunteer activities (League of Women Voters, church, neighborhood association, tutoring) have all been in Columbus, Ohio.

Since moving to the beach, I've become a member of the Estero Island Garden club, began tutoring in the after school program at Bay Oaks, and started a book club. Hopefully you can see that I'm a person who enjoys and thrives on contributing to my community. When I heard about the opening at CELCAB, I felt it would be an excellent opportunity to contribute my unique skills in a significant way. I appreciate your consideration of my request.

Respectively,

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From: [Mutzie Prasse](#)
To: [Michelle Mayher](#)
Subject: CELCAB
Date: Thursday, May 15, 2014 10:23:00 AM

May 14, 2014

Town Council of Fort Myers Beach:

I am writing this letter to express my interest in becoming a member of the Cultural & Environmental Learning Center Advisory Board (CELCAB).

I have been interested and working as a volunteer at the Mound House since 2011 and a Friend since 2012.

Not only as a tour guide and leading school groups but my main volunteer duties now include the observing the overall running of the Mound House and it's management. I input the data of visitors and their numbers, e-mail mailing lists, satisfaction surveys and volunteer hours. I have also been involved in setting up inventory for the gift shop and organization of the office.

I am thoroughly fascinated with the history of the Calusa and of the Mound House, not only the history but also the planning and restoration of the House.

I am confident that I can bring a very level headed and constructive approach to the committee with my organizational skills , law background and financial knowledge.

I have been a part time resident of Ft Myers Beach, Oct thru May and have a home in a suburb north of Chicago for 4 1/2 months. I will become a Florida resident in the fall of 2014.

Please feel free to speak to any of the staff or volunteers at the Mound House about my work or involvement.

If you have any questions or need some further information, my e-mail address is mjprasse@comcast.net and my cell phone is 847-207-8111.

Thank you for your consideration.

MARJORIE (MUTZIE) PRASSE

Please keep this in your file should there be an opening on the committee.

Michelle Mayher

From: davida@krustypetes.com
Sent: Thursday, May 22, 2014 4:46 PM
To: Michelle Mayher
Subject: letter of interest for the Safety Committee

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

Good morning, Michelle.

The Fort Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce would like to be considered for the open position on the Safety Committee. We are in the process of terminating our own committee - which made sense at our old location on San Carlos Blvd, off island, and now that we are located on the beach would like to work directly with the town.

Our expectation is that we would appoint one of our executive committee members to be our representative.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact either Bud Nocera at the chamber office (239-454-7500) or me directly at 239-463-1040.

Thank you

David Anderson
Chair-Elect Fort Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce

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From: [Tony Scopel](#)
To: [Michelle Mayher](#)
Subject: Advisory Committees Openings
Date: Sunday, June 01, 2014 2:06:44 PM

Michelle;
FMB County Clerk,

My name is Anthony (Tony) Scopel. I read in the The Island Sandpaper, which I have submitted a few public editorial articles in the past that there are some openings on a few committees. The committees that I would be interested in are the following;

- Community Resources Advisory Board (CRAB)
- Local Planning Agency (LPA)
- Public Safety Committee

We have been part of the island's community for over 5 years with the last 2 years being FT residents. My wife works on the island in a clothing store in Santini Plaza. I have worked on the island before, but currently work at Home Depot in Bonita Springs.

My professional background for the last 20 years was mostly B2B marketing of office solutions. This includes digital reproduction equipment, document solutions, wireless printing and some Cloud technology. I also have experience in the following:

- Small business owner
- Working with large companies in solving document communication problems
- Negotiating contracts pertaining to equipment and services
- Hospitality industry
- Landlord
- Building maintenance and landscaping
- 3 Years with the Denver Broncos (NFL Film crew) organization working spring training camp
- Greeley/Weld County Chamber of Commerce as an ambassador who worked directly with the President. (Ambassador of the year and first runner up the year before)
- Other associations related to many different causes

I am currently and freelance writer (preferably travel related), travel site publisher and author to most of our site's articles. We love to travel and have gained countless years of experiences in traveling and studying various countries and their ways of life.

My wife has been in dentistry for over 37 years. We both are close to retirement, but not

quite there. She is also my photographer for our travel site. You can see some of our work at www.youmeandthedock.com.

We reside at Lovers Key Beach Club & Condominiums (8701 Estero Blvd, FMB, FL 33931). We take great pride in our community. We also see many things we could contribute to here on Estero and Black Island that could benefit our community's natural resources. I feel I could be an asset to a committee or two with my insight to public safety, community activities and preserving our island's quaint tradition.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best Regards
Anthony Scopel
You, Me and The Dock

From: [Corky Condon](#)
To: [Michelle Mayher](#)
Subject: advisory committee
Date: Sunday, June 01, 2014 10:21:10 AM

Michelle,

I am writing for consideration to serve on one of the beach advisory committees. I feel my background would be best utilized with Crab or Celcab. I moved to Fort Myers Beach in 2006 and grew up in Hawaii and the island community of Coronado, California, community has always been important to me. As a Navy brat we often had to create our own community.

Since moving to Fort Myers Beach I have served on the BOD of the Fort Myers Beach Art Association as well as being Hospitality Director there for 4 years. I currently serve on the Friends of the Fort Myers Beach Arts BOD and have since it's inception. I volunteered, worked and was Vice President for a Washington DC non-profit for over ten years (Friends of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial) as well as being one of the founders and incorporators for another National non-profit, Sons and Daughters In Touch.

As reference I have worked or am friends with AJ Bassett, Al Durrett, Ceel Sphuhler, Jo List, Bud Nocera, Jessica Titus and others who are very involved in the community. Please contact me with any questions via email, corkycondon@comcast.net or phone, 239-207-2982. Sincerely, Corky (Cathryn) Condon

Pete Frye
260 Flamingo Street
Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931

June 1, 2014

Dear Council members,

After seven years of being full time residents of this wonderful island that we have been calling home, my wife and I have decided that I should become more involved with the direction and oversight of where as a community we are going forward. Therefore, I ask for your consideration for an appointment on an advisory committee. My choices, in order of importance and interest are: LPA, PSC, and MRTF. I am only looking to fill a vacancy and do not wish to challenge any others who may want to be on any of these committees. Besides being a resident who really cares about this community, you may inquire about my qualifications at any time by contacting me by cell at 628-8821 or home at 463-0129. I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Sincerely,

Pete Frye

Letter of Consideration for membership to the Town of Fort Myers Beach advisory committee: *Marine Resources Task Force (MRTF)*

My name is Glenn Thompson, Ph.D. and I am recently retired from Florida Gulf Coast University where I have taught for the past seven years as an associate professor of psychology. I came to FGCU to teach undergraduates while introducing them to research methods, data collection, and statistical analysis. Past experiences include research professorships at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, TX and the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine in Oklahoma City, OK studying how the brain is involved with hearing and balance. Along the way, I also taught high school biology at a private school in Oklahoma City (Heritage Hall) for six years.

I am married with three children (all grown) and two grandchildren. My wife and I moved to Fort Myers Beach (off island – Siesta Isles) 2 ½ years ago where we bought our house and enjoy being on a canal only ½ mile from Matanzas Pass by boat. We like to fish in the back bay, around Pine Island, and in the Gulf of Mexico, boat when not overcrowded, and camp out on the water as the weather allows. We ride our bikes to the beach for breakfast and other meals and to explore the island and surrounding areas.

I am a native Floridian, born and reared in Lakeland, FL, and state-educated first at the University of Florida (BSAS), University of South Florida (MA), and finally Florida State University (Ph.D.). During my teen-aged years, we spent a lot of time at the beach in the summers roaming from Sarasota and its beaches in the south to Clearwater Beach in the north. This is where I came across the Mote Marine Laboratory (during its early formative years) and later where I almost conducted my dissertation research on the ability of sharks to localize underwater sounds – but, alas, it wasn't to be and so I moved on. It turns out that FGCU now sponsors a similar marine laboratory near Bonita Beach (Vester Marine Laboratory) and I have conducted research and mentored students there.

Because my first university degree included a major in Zoology as well as Psychology and because of my involvement with research, biologists, and ecologists at the Vester Lab, I decided to pursue water-quality projects and issues on my own time upon formal retirement. I am very much interested in the red tide and its impact on water quality; I am in the process of initializing this endeavor with the help of FGCU students now.

So, my interest in being considered for membership to the MRTF is not random, but has method in its madness, supported by lifelong interests described above.

Thank you for your consideration for membership to this important advisory committee.

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