



CHNEP Management Committee Meeting

Friday May 15th, 2020

9:30 am – 1:30 pm

WebEx Virtual Meeting Room Due to COVID -19

DRAFT Minutes

Members Present:

Rachel Hart
Heather Stafford
Cory Anderson
Tricia Hobson
Chad Allison

Will Van Gelder
Claire Jubb

Gaye Sharpe

John Ryan

David Hutchinson

Laura Gibson

Katy McBride

(Alternate for Maya Robert)

James Evans

Debi Osborne

Justin Saarinen

Elizabeth Wong

Natalie

Tara Poulton

Chadd Chustz

US-EPA Region 4

FDEP – Coastal Office

Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission

Florida Department of Agriculture

Central Florida Regional Planning Council

Southwest Florida Water Management District

Charlotte County

Polk County

Sarasota County

Sarasota-Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization

City of Bonita Springs

City of Cape Coral

City of Sanibel, co-chair

Conservation Foundation of the Gulf Coast, CAC co-chair

Sarasota County, TAC co-chair

City of North Port

Polk County

DeSoto County

Town of Fort Myers Beach

Others Present:

Jennifer Hecker

Nicole Iadevaia

Andrew Webb

Chelsea Bojewski

Elizabeth Noll

Natalie Ellington

Courtney Cortez

Coastal & Heartland National Estuary Partnership

EPA – Headquarters

Balmoral Group

1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Co-chair James Evans called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM. The Co-Chair Chair led participants through the virtual meeting instructions before conducting a roll call; CHNEP staff introduced themselves, followed by members. There were no members of the public present.

2. AGENDA ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

Item numbers 11 & 12 were flip-flopped on the agenda to accommodate guest presenters. **DEBI OSBORNE MOVED TO ADOPT THE AGENDA WITH AMENDMENT AND DAVE HUTCHINSON SECONDED. THE AMENDED AGENDA WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY WITH NO FURTHER DISCUSSION.**

3. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

No public comments were made at this time.

4. MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MAC) JANUARY 7, 2020 MEETING MINUTES

Co-chair James Evans asked for edits to minutes. Hearing none, asked for motion to approve. **JOHN RYAN MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS STATED AND WILL VAN GELDER SECONDED. THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY WITH NO FURTHER DISCUSSION.**

5. TAC MEETING REPORT – JUSTIN SAARINEN, TAC CO-CHAIR

Justin Saarinen, TAC co-chair, shared an overview of the Technical Advisory Committee meeting held on Friday, April 17th, 2020. This meeting was held via WebEx due to COVID-19. Highlights are as follows:

- TAC Co-chair election for Calendar Year 2020 was held. Devin Moore, representative from Winter Haven, nominated himself and was unopposed. Motion carried and TAC members and CHNEP staff welcomed the new Co-Chair Devon Moore, and thanked outgoing Co-chair Lizanne Garcia for her time and dedication.
- CHNEP's Executive Director, Ms. Hecker Hecker, presented on programmatic activity the occurred since the last Management Conference cycle. CHNEP opened a request for project proposals for CHNEP FY 2021 funding. Two proposals are currently under review. Members were asked to submit proposals or encourage others to submit before the April 30th deadline for consideration for project funding.
- Lizanne Garcia, SWFWMD SWIM project manager, presented the updated Charlotte Harbor SWIM Plan. Collaborators on the plan include Dr. Chris Anastasiou, SWIM chief water quality specialist, and Dr. Dave Tomasko from ESA. Following the presentation, the floor was opened for questions from the Committee. Members asked for examples of waterways in Southwest Florida being restored under the urban stream renewal program, SWFWMD staff listed the hydrocarving at Balm Boyette. TAC members asked how seagrass targets were set; Chris Anastasiou explained that targets are segmented by WBID and not by bay given the 20,280 acre area in Charlotte Harbor and 3,223 acre area in Lemon Bay. TAC members asked when SWFWMD would share the full SWIM update. The full SWIM plan is not yet

available, but when finished can be shared with members on the CHNEP website. A final draft of the updated Charlotte Harbor SWIM Plan is expected to be presented to the Governing Board on April 28, 2020 to allow the plan to then be submitted to agencies and local governments. Members had questions about the data gathered during the Lower Charlotte Harbor Hydrological Modeling Project; Ms. Garcia shared that data deliverables shared with SWFWMD will be available to the public through the SWFWMD data portal. CHNEP staff shared that all data (including data from SWFWMD funded monitoring stations) from the project will be made accessible on the CHNEP Water Atlas Charlotte Harbor Flatwoods Initiative site as well.

- SWFWMD representative, Dr. Yonas Ghile, shared updates on the ongoing re-evaluation of minimum flows established for the Lower Peace River. There were inquiries as to whether the new PRMWSA pipeline would be resulting in a higher consumptive use permit from the Shell Creek Reservoir and whether such withdrawals could cause any potential ecological harm to downstream Shell Creek which feeds into the Peace-that already experiences high salinities during dry season conditions. The SWFWMD staff said they did not believe the withdrawals would increase, but would look into it. They explained that the Recovery Strategy has a proposed project that would modify the Shell Creek dam to allow flow during dry season conditions regardless of low water levels. Other comments involved the fact that due to drainage of the Shell Creek basin, there is little to no base flow during dry season and so as highly altered and managed system, it might be appropriate to consider some minimum flow to downstream tidal portion of Shell Creek even when no inflow is being measured upstream. Members present were also interested in learning more about the hydrodynamic model was used for this study. The model (Chen 2020) was developed specifically for this study, and based off of the University of Central Florida model for the west Florida shelf.
- Dr. Robert Weisburg, professor of the University of South Florida's college of marine science shared his most recent research on the 2018 red tide event throughout Southwest Florida. There were inquiries as to whether there are other factors besides less releases from Lake Okeechobee that are contributing to the decrease in harmful algae blooms conditions currently. Dr. Weisburg explains that fewer releases from Lake Okeechobee may eliminate the chance for exacerbating the bloom but human influences are not necessarily the cause of origination of a bloom. Dr. Weisberg agreed to share recent findings with members of the Lake Okeechobee task force. TAC member Mark Sramek, NOAA, also sits on this task force. In response to other questions, Dr. Weisburg explained that there does not appear to be a direct correlation between red tide occurrence and tropical storms as well as no obvious impacts to the loop current concerning changing ocean temperatures. However, Dr. Weisburg did indicate that nutrients produced as a result of near-shore fish farming as a possible factor in amplifying a future bloom. Those present also asked if the recent modeling took into account forecasted incoming tides, Dr. Weisberg confirmed this. When asked if advection of water from the Caloosahatchee typically occurs up the eastern wall of Charlotte Harbor, he answered this is not normally the case as the water is so shallow, and would only occur with the help of strong southern wind. All of the model simulations of flow influencing the severity and occurrence of red tide can be

- found online through a USF portal. Forecasting can continue to improve, but an interdisciplinary approach to modeling of flow and other factors is needed, as there are so many variables in ecological forecasting. Given the interest and continued discussion regarding the presentation, Dr. Wesiberg agreed to share a copy of the presentation afterward, which CHNEP staff uploaded to the TAC page.
- Roger Copp from Water Science Associates presented an overview of the Lower Charlotte Harbor Flatwoods Hydrological Restoration Project, as well as the draft groundwater and flow monitoring plans. Charlotte Harbor Flatwoods Initiative (CHFI) is a group focused on restoring natural drainage across the Gator Slough Watershed with water that has been unnaturally impounded on the Babcock-Webb WMA and diverted from the Yucca Pens WMA, Caloosahatchee, and tidal creeks to Charlotte Harbor. Inquiries were made concerning whether the depths of the groundwater monitoring wells will be adequate to capture superficial levels during extended drought periods. Mr. Copp assured the Committee that the depths of the wells are adequate and reaching ground water even during current drought conditions. Members asked if the data collected through this project would be made publicly available, CHNEP staff announced that all deliverables and data associated with the project will be shared on the CHNEP Water Atlas Charlotte Harbor Flatwoods Initiative page and that the contractor would be giving annual progress updates at both the TAC and CHFI meetings.
 - CHNEP Research and Outreach Manager, Nicole Iadevaia followed guest speakers with an update on the Economic Valuation Study which quantifies economic activity tied to natural resources in terms of tax revenues, jobs, tourism, real estate revenues, and other income generating activity. Ms. Iadevaia also provided the committee with updates on the progress of select research and restoration projects.
 - The TAC meeting concluded with member updates.

Following Mr. Saarinen's presentation, co-chair James Evans opened the floor for questions or discussion; Will Van Gelder discussed Charlotte Harbor SWIM plan pdf availability & virtual workshop to be held May 26th, 4-6pm.

6. CAC MEETING REPORT – DEBI OSBORNE, CAC CO-CHAIR

Debi Osborne, CAC co-chair, shared an overview of the Citizen's Advisory Committee meeting held on Wednesday, April 29th, 2020. This meeting was held via WebEx due to COVID-19. Highlights are as follows:

- Ms. Osborne introduced new applicants to current CAC members
- For the benefit of the new CAC members and applicants, CHNEP's Executive Director, Ms. Hecker Hecker, presented a brief background on CHNEP as well as the focus and responsibilities of the Citizens Advisory Committee. Ms. Hecker also presented on programmatic activity that occurred since the last Management Conference cycle.
- CHNEP Finance & Grants Specialist, Andrew Webb, gave an overview of the Conservation Grants program; which was created to support portions of larger projects that implement the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan

(CCMP). The next summer deadline is August 1, for an award notice in October. All projects are to be completed by September 30th each year, as the new funding begins on October 1st. Please direct applicants interested in funding for future projects to: <https://www.chnep.org/conservation-grants>. All funds are given on a reimbursement basis. Currently, CHNEP has \$9,091 remaining to fund additional projects.

- JoEllen Wilson from Bonefish & Tarpon Trust presented an overview of an ongoing research and restoration initiative which used a CHNEP Conservation Grant award to fund a portion of the equipment needed for the project. The full project is a collaboration that began in 2014 when Bonefish & Tarpon Trust (BTT) was approached with the unique opportunity to collaborate with the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD), Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's Fisheries Independent Monitoring program (FWC-FIM) and Coastal & Heartland National Estuary Partnership (CHNEP) to create and test restored habitat designs specifically geared toward accommodating juvenile tarpon and snook. The work funded by the most recent grant was an extension of the fish monitoring component of the overall project. Inquiries were made by the committee as to whether volunteers are needed. Ms. Wilson stated that once COVID-19 restrictions are uplifted, they would certainly love the assistance of volunteers. In addition, Ernesto Lasso de la Vega questioned if there was a possibility to retrofit mosquito control canals to fit the goals pertaining to Coral Creek. Similar projects are currently being funded on the east coast which has found that not only juveniles but also adults were documented as being caught. The opportunities to change how the mosquito control canals are managed certainly have had a big impact on findings. CHNEP commented that this would be a very interesting habitat restoration and fisheries project and would be happy to be involved in any way.
- CHNEP Research and Outreach Manager, Nicole Iadevaia followed with an update on the Economic Valuation Study which quantifies economic activity tied to natural resources in terms of tax revenues, jobs, tourism, real estate revenues, and other income generating activity. Ms. Iadevaia also provided the committee with updates on the progress of select research and restoration projects. Tom Palmer questioned as to why the Economic Study did not attempt to quantify local freshwater fisheries. CHNEP stated that it was requested that Balmoral Group look into Lake Hancock and local freshwater fisheries, however, they assume there was not sufficient data collected. CHNEP will follow up in regards to this inquiry. Mr. Palmer adds that the Tomas Fish Company and Eco-Lake would be valuable data points. Ms. Hecker urges members to look through memos to verify nothing pertinent is missed for CHNEP consideration. The evaluation study conveys a conservative approach to focus on concrete usable data that will be relatable to policy makers.
- The CAC meeting concluded with member and new applicant updates.

No questions or discussion from Management members following Ms. Osborne's report.

7. CHNEP UPDATE – MS. HECKER HECKER, CHNEP

CHNEP's Executive Director, Ms. Hecker Hecker, presented on programmatic activity that has occurred since the last Management Conference cycle. Highlights are as follows:

Since last cycle, CHNEP has attended numerous partnership meetings including the Charlotte Harbor Flatwoods Initiative and the American Water Resources Association conference. CHNEP staff have also presented at various events including the Everglades Coalition Conference, the Boca Grande Red Tide Forum, and the Estero Bay Cela Tega 2020 conference. Other speaking engagements have been cancelled due to the ongoing COVID-19 restrictions. Ms. Hecker updated the committee members on FY 2020 funding received from member organizations as well as \$2,481.91 in private donations received through transactions and mailings. CHNEP has awarded five Conservation Grants for FY 2020 so far, totaling \$8,710.00.

In effort to reach new audiences, the CHNEP brochure is being translated to Spanish for the spring printing. Additionally, CHNEP staff is working to create an online environmental learning portal for grades 3-5 consisting of an interactive GIS story map and activities based off of the children's book, "Adventures in the Charlotte Harbor Watershed." The storymap will provide an exciting platform for students to explore environmental concepts independently or for educators to incorporate into their lesson plans. Prior to COVID-19 closures beginning this cycle, CHNEP held two well attended monthly volunteer events (Horseshoe Crab Citizen Science training workshop in January and the February Trash Tackle). Staff also attended five partner events where they provided environmental resources and engaged both kids and adults in fun activities, this included the Chalo Nitka Rodeo in Glades County and Swamp Cabbage Festival in Hendry County. CHNEP also organized and hosted a special field trip for CHNEP Management Committee members to Blackbeard's Ranch in Myakka City, where attendees heard presentations from a renowned rancher, who has spearheaded efforts in sustainable agricultural practices in the area as well as the Florida Conservation Group president. These practices are critical to support as they can have large impacts on water quality and conservation.

The call for proposals for the 2020 Watershed Summit is now closed and CHNEP staff is currently working to put together the Watershed Summit program and registration. Due to the COVID-19, the Summit (scheduled for June 1 & 2) will be held virtually. Additionally, Ms. Hecker reminded members of the 2021 Calendar Photo Contest, encouraging them to pass along information on how people within their county can participate. Ms. Hecker proceeded to describe how one may subscribe for the calendar through the CHNEP website.

Finally, Ms. Hecker updated members on the status of Congressional reauthorization of the National Estuary Program nation-wide, an update will be given on NEP language added to WRDA 2020 bill language (at end of document attached) that would reauthorize NEP for two years (versus previous five year timeframe) at an increased level of \$50M nationally (versus \$26.5 prior).

8. FY 2020 AMENDED WORK PLAN & BUDGET – ANDREW WEBB, CHNEP

Andrew Webb, CHNEP's Finance & Grants Specialist, presented changes to the draft FY2020 Work Plan and Budget reflecting recent updates. The initial FY20 Work Plan and

Budget was presented and approved by the Management Conference in the spring 2019 meeting cycle. As is customary, the CHNEP annual Work Plans and Budgets need to be amended as updated information is available, and as needed due to funding or project changes. Mr. Webb presented increases and decreases in Tech Project and SWFWMD funding. The Work Plan narrative for Lower Charlotte Harbor Flatwoods Restoration, South Lee County Hydrologic Modeling Project, Warm Mineral Springs Run Restoration, Native Upland Plantings at Wildflower Preserve, and Habitat Restoration Needs Phase II were updated to reflect Agreements and Deliverables now in place. Additionally, the Alligator Creek Stream Restoration project was removed from budget tables and narrative as the project could not be completed in time to close out NCE funds on September 2021.

DAVE HUTCHINSON MOVED TO RECOMMEND THE APPROVAL OF THE NEW DRAFT CHNEP FY2020 WORK PLAN & BUDGET AND CHAD ALLISON SECONDED. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY WITH NO FURTHER DISCUSSION.

9. FY 2021 WORK PLAN & BUDGET – MS. HECKER HECKER, CHNEP

CHNEP's Executive Director, Ms. Hecker, presented on the CHNEP FY2021 Work Plan and Budget. This is put together annually to detail the projects and activities it will be undertaking to implement its 5-year strategic plan (the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan, CCMP) in that given fiscal year (which starts Oct 1st through September 30th). CHNEP must submit this document, once approved by the CHNEP Policy Committee, with its annual 320 EPA grant funding application on June 1st each year. Ms. Hecker explained that, due to this being so far in advance, it is customary that some projects and funding sources be identified as To Be Determined (TBD) and that scopes are in draft or preliminary stages of development. The CHNEP is providing those draft scopes that are available at this time for reference. Ms. Hecker previously provided these draft scopes as a reference and asked the Management Committee to review the FY2021 Work Plan & Budget to provide any input and a formal recommendation as to whether the Policy Committee should take up for approval at their May 28th meeting.

Clarification was asked to be provided on the delivery services for water quality samples. Ms. Nicole Iadevaia, CHNEP Outreach & Research Manager, responded that the sample testing is done by Lee County Lab as an in kind contribution and they also provide transport and delivery of kits.

A member asked whether MAC or TAC will see proposed projects in amendment to work plan before they go to policy. Ms. Hecker stated that they probably will not, but it will be brought forward after Policy Committee decides what projects they are willing to provide funding for and this can be posted to the MAC page.

Inquiries were also made as to whether or not adjustments will need to be made due to COVID-19. Ms. Hecker stated CHNEP will sit down and discuss this with state partners when more information is received. However, federal funding is certain for FY21 because funds come from a year earlier (FY20), so CHNEP will see more impact in FY22 for federal funding. The Work Plan & Budget will be adjusted accordingly.

Regarding the Harmful Algal Bloom map, co-chair James Evans asked if it will include other algae besides blue-green and red, (e.g., drift). Ms. Iadevaia stated it can be considered based on what information can be obtained.

CHAD ALLISON MOVED TO RECOMMEND THAT POLICY COMMITTEE APPROVE THE CHNEP FY2021 WORK PLAN & BUDGET AND JOHN RYAN SECONDED. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY WITH NO FURTHER DISCUSSION.

10. LAKE OKEECHOBEE SYSTEM OPERATING MANUAL – WRDA SAVINGS CLAUSE

CHNEP Executive Director Ms. Hecker and CHNEP Management Committee Co-Chair James Evans led this discussion to determine if there is potential consensus amongst Management Committee Members to form a recommendation to the CHNEP Policy Committee on this issue – as to whether the CHNEP should weigh in on the proposed LOSOM savings clause WRDA language to promote improved water quality, hydrological restoration and Everglades Restoration implementation in the Caloosahatchee basin of the CHNEP area.

There was much discussion on this topic including which would have more weight, a resolution or letter and the importance of detailed language. There were several members who expressed favoring a resolution and co-chair James Evans motioned to recommend that policy draft a resolution to support WRDA savings clause to CERP Projects, but not extend it to Lake Okeechobee. However, there was no second due to lack of representation from inland counties and full understanding of this subject from the management committee. Ms. Hecker clarified this is just to move forward to the Policy Committee. Debi Osborne seconded, but motion did not carry as other members wanted more information such as deadline and draft resolution language. Co-chair James Evans called for a 15 minute break as requested. After everyone reconvened, Ms. Hecker projected the information Mr. Evans shared on language from Representative Hastings to the Everglades caucus on the subject. Mr. Evans once again clarified that this is not opposing original savings clause, but the expansion to Lake Okeechobee which would make it difficult to meet recovery efforts regarding Caloosahatchee and reduce water quality. Members came to consensus to move forward to Policy Committee with a recommendation for them to evaluate and be provided the pros and cons of the LOSOM Savings Clause WRDA language.

CO-CHAIR JAMES EVANS MOTIONED TO FORWARD TO POLICY COMMITTEE FOR FURTHER EVALUATION AS TO WHETHER CHNEP SHOULD EXPRESS A POSITION ON THE ISSUE AND CLAIRE JUBB SECONDED. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY WITH NO FURTHER DISCUSSION.

11. CHNEP PROGRAM EVALUATION

Rachel Hart, CHNEP EPA Region IV liaison and Management Committee member presented and overview of the CHNEP 2014-2019 Program Evaluation information. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, which is responsible for oversight and administration of the National Estuary Program for all 28 organizations in it nation-wide, conducts a program evaluation (PE) of each NEP entity every five years. The CHNEP is currently undergoing a PE for activities it undertook in the 2014-2019 timeframe. To meet EPA PE guidance requirements, CHNEP staff prepared an extensive 62-page PE package document, which was submitted to the U.S. EPA. In response, EPA sent additional follow-up comments and questions and CHNEP responded both with written responses but also with a discussion held by teleconference. Typically, the PE also encompasses a site visit with EPA

personnel; however due to COVID, all PE site visits were cancelled this year nation-wide. Therefore, CHNEP and EPA are working together to virtually conclude PE process, which will culminate with a formal EPA PE letter forthcoming. Ms. Hart concluded that the CHNEP has not only met, but exceeded EPA requirements for successfully passing its PE evaluation. No questions or discussion following presentation.

12. HARMFUL ALGAE BLOOMS ECONOMIC IMPACT – COURTNEY CORTEZ, BALMORAL GROUP

Cortney Cortez of The Balmoral Group provided an update to the Management Committee on how public and CHNEP input from previous committee meetings was addressed in finalizing the Harmful Algae Blooms Economic Impact dashboard. In April 2019, the CHNEP partnered with The Balmoral Group (Balmoral) to respond to a Request for Proposals from the Gulf of Mexico Alliance (GOMA) to evaluate the economic impacts of water quality impacts in the Gulf, specifically Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs). The proposal was approved by GOMA's Water Resources Team in May 2019 and the approximately one-year study was initiated in July. CHNEP has been working with The Balmoral Group to develop and test a "dashboard" that will enable coastal resource managers to quantify the economic implications for HABs and their avoidance, and thereby assess the value of restoration investments or management actions. Balmoral has relied on its recent experience with NASA to link remotely-sensed (satellite) data, social media data and documented economic losses along Florida's Gulf coast. CHNEP has been assisting with convening stakeholders, utilizing its prior Management Committee meeting as a public workshop and webinar to disseminate information about this project, as well as assisting and providing Management Committee input to Balmoral. Ms. Cortez gave a thorough demonstration on how to use the dashboard at today's meeting. No questions or discussion following presentation.

13. ECONOMIC VALUATION & OTHER TECH PROJECT UPDATES – NICOLE IADEVAIA, CHNEP

Nicole Iadevaia, CHNEP Research & Outreach Manager gave the committee updates on the progress of select research and restoration projects. CHNEP is directly project managing numerous research and/or restoration projects (or phases of projects) that are funded with CHNEP FY19 and FY20 funds. A number were kicked-off at the end of FY19 or are launching at the beginning of FY20, with all but the Charlotte Harbor Flatwoods Initiative Hydrological Modeling Project to be completed by September 2021. An overview of each of these projects is in project fact sheets that are now available on the CHNEP.org website.

2019 Projects:

- Quantifying the WQ Benefits of SAV
- Gateway to Myakka River State Park – Marsh Restoration
- Warm Mineral Springs Creek Restoration
- Habitat Restoration Needs Phase II

2020 Projects:

- Charlotte Harbor Flatwoods Initiative Hydrological Modeling Project
- CHNEP Economic Valuation Study

No questions or discussion following presentation.

14. MAC MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

- FDEP Coastal Office, Heather Stafford – teleworking through may 29th; continuing field work, rookery and water quality monitoring; found great blue heron parents with chicks (blue & white)
- FWC, Cory Anderson – still doing environmental restoration projects while following CDC guidelines with proper PPE; getting wildlife and hydrology projects accomplished
- FL Dept. of Ag., Trisha Hobson – Caloosahatchee, & Lake Okeechobee BMAPs updated, getting feedback from letters to parcel owners & updating databases; Jessica Stempein is involved further. James Evans asked if there is a minimum acre size. Response was commercial ag. of at least one acre.
- SWFWMD, Will Van Gelder – Actions of Charlotte Harbor SWIM plan previously mentioned after TAC update
- City of North Port, Elizabeth Wong – Ongoing effort trying to acquire properties along the creek for protection; Approved acquisition of one parcel, Tier 1 & Tier 2
- Conservation Foundation of the Gulf Coast, Debi Osborne – Florida Forever is closing 6,000 acres on June 1st – Hammock ranch; have been trying to conserve area for decades; 19.5 mil agreed upon by cabinet; need to raise remaining 300,000 more to match in order to not use reserves.

15. PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments were made at this time.

16. FUTURE MEETING'S TOPICS, LOCATION AND DATE

The next Management Committee meeting will be **September 11, 2020** at the Charlotte Community Foundation in Punta Gorda.

17. ADJOURN

Co-chair James Evans adjourned the meeting at 12:40pm.