

City of Jacksonville

1st Floor - Council Chamber
117 W. Duval Street



Meeting Minutes

Coal Ash Barge Bridgeport Incident Review Committee

Thursday, May 26, 2022

9:30 AM

Lynwood Roberts Room, First Floor, City Hall

Jacksonville Waterways Commission

CM Al Ferraro, Chair
CM Michael Boylan, Vice Chair
CM Garrett Dennis
CM Matt Carlucci, Alternate
Jon Michael Barker
Robert Birtalan
Lane Burnett
Senator Audrey Gibson
Mark Devereaux
Andrew Fraden
Marc Hardesty
Richard Hartley
Jill D. Haskell
Raymond S. Pringle, Jr.
Marshall Adkison, Ex-Officio
Adam Hoyles, Ex-Officio

Barbara Ireland Hobson, Legislative Assistant
Felicia Fort, Legislative Assistant
Susan Grandin, Asst. General Counsel
Dr. Quinton White, Jacksonville University
Dr. Gerard Pinto, Jacksonville University
Richard Distel, Research Assistant

RULE 4.505 DISRUPTION OF MEETING

No member of the audience shall applaud nor make any noise or remarks that are audible to the Committee that would indicate approval or disapproval of anything being discussed. Any disregard of this rule may result in removal by the Sergeant at Arms.

REQUEST TO SPEAK:

1. Fill out a speaker card.
2. Sign it if you are going to speak.
3. Read the rules on the back of the card.
4. Place card in tray.

PARKING: If you park in the Library Garage (Entry on Duval St, W of Main St), Please see the Legislative Assistant for ticket validation.

You may attend the meeting in-person at the physical location - Lynwood Roberts Room, 1st Floor, but CDC guidelines will be adhered to due to COVID-19. Concurrent with the expiration of Mayor Curry's Emergency Executive Proclamation 2020-005, any member of the public entering City-owned public buildings may choose to wear a mask inside the building. Council strongly encourages the use of masks for all employees and visitors, especially when social distancing at 6 feet (or more) is not possible. Council will make masks available for visitors and the public.

Coal Ash Barge Bridgeport Incident Review Committee

1. Call to Order - Chair Robert Birtalian

Chair Birtalian called the meeting to ordered at 9:39 AM. He was the only committee member present, so quorum was not reached.

2. Introductions**3. Discussion of the Coal Ash Barge Bridgeport Incident - FOIA Request**

Chair Birtalian talked about his FOIA request and said he received information that was redacted from his request of the Coast Guard. Lindsey Brock talked about the Jacksonville vessel response plan and went over information he has found on other cities response plans and said he will have a detailed list at the next waterways commission meeting. Adam Hoyles talked about the Coast Guard report and the need for markings. Mr. Brock talked about the need for a proactive approach with signage and said he would continue to research these ideas.

4. Commission Members Comments and Discusssion**5. Discuss Next Date for Meeting**

6. Public Comment

Lisa Rinaman, St. Johns Riverkeeper, talked about protocols on the side of prevention as well as how to alert people of the materials which have spilled. Chair Birtalan talked about the response and the impact weather had on how soon the Coast Guard could respond. Mr. Brock said this speaks to the issues when there is a breakdown in communication. Mr. Hoyles said we are lucky it wasn't a more dangerous material that spilled and this allows the city to be more prepared in the future.

7. Adjournment

Chair Birtalan adjourned the meeting at 10:27 AM.

Pursuant to the American with Disabilities Act, accommodations for persons with disabilities are available upon request. Please allow 1-2 business days notification to process; last minute requests will be accepted; but may not be possible to fulfill. Please contact Disabled Services Division at: V 904-255-5466, TTY-904-255-5476, or email your request to KaraT@coj.net.

Minutes: Richard Distel, Council Research
RDistel@coj.net 904.255.5140
Posted 6.2.2022 5:00 pm