I. Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance
Meeting called to order by Chair Clint Cuny at 1:00 PM. A quorum of four was present. Nancy Koeper was not in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. Attendance
Advisory Committee
- Clint Cuny, Chair (2/12/21)
- Phil Arnold, Vice Chair (2/12/21)
- Vincent Fantegrossi (2/12/23)
- Nancy Koeper (9/12/23) - Absent
- Pam Marsal (2/12/23)

Staff
- Harry Sells – Project Manager
- Michelle Arnold – PTNE Director

III. Approval of Agenda.
The agenda was corrected to note that Mr. Arnold is the Vice Chair rather than Ms. Marsal. Mr. Cuny moved to accept the agenda for April 15, 2019. Mr. Fantegrossi seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

IV. Approval of Minutes for March 8, 2019
The minutes were corrected to change the last two sentences under item IV, Elections of Officers to note “Mr. Cuny motioned to nominate Phil Arnold as Vice Chair. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fantegrossi and passed 4-0.”
Mr. Fantegrossi moved to accept the minutes as corrected. The motion to accept the corrected minutes was seconded by Ms Marsal. Motion passed 4-0.

V. Waterway Engineering Report. Gary McAlpin, Coastal Zone Director.
Gary McAlpin attended the meeting via phone. The Committee was presented information on the draft engineering studies that have been prepared. The first proposal is to dredge the major high spots in the waterway for a removal of a total 12,500 cubic yards. The second option is to dredge the entire waterway for a removal of 28,500 cubic yards. The quality of the sand would not be beach quality but will allowed to be disposed on a near shore fill area. The close proximity of the shore disposal would eliminate the costly method of drying the spoils and trucking it away.

Mr. McAlpin advised the committee that he intends to coordinate this project with the dredging of Caxambas Pass on Marco Island to minimize Vanderbilt Waterway.
mobilization costs. He will be requesting bids for both dredging options and expects estimates will be available in August with work commencing in October. Mr. McAlpin committed to providing a cost estimate with the assistance of the Engineers so that the committee will be able to prepare a budget for FY 2020. The estimate will be provided during the week of April 22.

Michell Arnold advised the committee that she received an email from one of the residents inquiring whether an oyster restoration project could be considered as part of the Vanderbilt dredging project. Mr. McAlpin advised that such task would not fall under the “emergency” and does not meet the intent of the current scope of the dredging project. He also commented that to be successful, it is necessary to ensure the correct salinity balance can be achieved in the area. The committee agreed that this would not be within the scope of the dredging project.

VI. **Project Manager Report Harry Sells**

A. **FY 20 Budget Discussion** - A general discussion of the FY 20 budget was held considering the potential millage rate to propose to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The lack of dredging cost and other mandatory items needed to draft the budget prevented the Committee from making a recommendation. It is understood the $50,000 loan the BCC has already made to the MSTU will be refunded as part of the FY 20 budget. The maximum millage set by the Ordinance for the MSTU is 0.5 and would generate approximately $625,000 in revenue per year. Each 0.1 mill would generate $125,000 per year in revenue. The item was tabled until the next meeting.

VII. **Old Business**

A. Finalize By Laws. Minor corrections noticed at the last meeting had been made to the version presented to the Committee. Mr. Cluny made motion to approve the By-Laws as presented. Mr. Arnold seconded the motion. The motion was passed 4-0.

B. Next Meeting Location. The committee agreed to conduct another meeting at the same location on April 29th at 1:30 PM. This time frame will give Gary McAlpin time to prepare dredging cost analysis and allow the committee time to make decisions on the FY 20 proposed budget.

VIII. **New Business**

None

IX. **Public Comments**

Mr. Victor and Mr. Ritchie both asked several questions and made comments about the project and the budget. They were both generally in favor the items.

X. **Member Comments**

One of the committee members inquired about the water flow from Naples Park into the Bay and whether it impacts the dredging project. Everyone agreed that the stormwater issues are separate from the dredging project.

It was suggested that an initiative to keep those affected by the MSTU informed of the project progress be developed. The Commissioner will be provided information
regularly, but the committee will continue to explore their options to keeping the residents informed.

XI. **Adjourn**

There being no further business for the good of the County, the meeting was adjourned by order of the Chair at 2:25 P.M.

**VANDERBILT BEACH WATERWAY MSTU ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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Clint Cuny, Chairman

The minutes approved by the Advisory Committee on _________________, 2019 “as submitted” [___] or “as amended” [___].

**NEXT MEETING:**

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5th floor IT Training Room
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