

Memo

To: James S. Williams, City Manager
From: Mike Magahey *MM*
Subject: Public Safety Boathouse and Lake Mizell "No-Wake" Zone Issues
Date: May 20, 1998
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The Lakes and Waterways Advisory Board met this afternoon to discuss several issues. The following section summarizes the Public Safety Boathouse and Lake Mizell Issues.

Public Safety Boathouse

Don Martin and Randy Knight were present to represent the Polasek Foundation and their approved Boat House Design. Prior to their presentation, Jim English addressed the Board on the proposed boat house project finances. There is currently \$35,000 available for facility construction along with \$9,000 encumbered for design support.

Lt. Rex Straw stated the Police Department is primarily interested in obtaining a boat house on the Chain of Lakes. They do not have a preference where it is, just that there is a boat house.

Randy Knight of the Polasek Foundation and Don Martin explained the proposed boat house facility, and discussed Polasek Foundations' interest in the project. The preliminary cost estimate for this project is \$120,000. Don explained that a possible joint effort such as any lease fees for the City could be waived in exchange for the City building the facility.

The Lakes Board tabled this item and requested staff to investigate alternative funding sources as well as discussed different City owned locations. Staff will report back to the Board at the next meeting.

Lake Mizell "no-wake" Zone for Northern Lagoon

Resident polling for this issue is:

- 9 for no-wake zone
- 9 against no-wake zone
- 3 no opinion

Lakes and Waterways Advisory Board vote:

- 1 for "no-wake" zone
- 4 against "no-wake" zone

Discussion for "no-wake" zone deals with the environmental impact to the shoreline by means of erosion as well as the safety issue.

Discussion against the "no-wake" zone is that it is an enforcement issue within the lake. Also, the Chain has several small coves in Lake Maitland for instance, and there is concern that these residents will pursue "no-wake" zones along the same grounds as the lake Mizell issue.