



Tampa Bay Association of Code Enforcement  
In-Person Meeting Agenda

April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 (11:30 a.m. -1:00 p.m.)

Public Works Operation Center, 6250 82nd Ave N, Pinellas Park, FL 33781

The regular meeting of the Tampa Bay Association of Code Enforcement (TBACE) hosted by the City of Pinellas Park. The following active members were present and signed in:

Paul Goodwin	Manatee County	Arthur Bork	Pasco County
Scott Lantz	Manatee County	Sue Coviello	City of Pinellas Park
Shawn Robinson	City of Temple Terrace	Stefan Burghardt	City of Clearwater
Tina Barber	City of Plant City	Lisa Byington	City of Clearwater
Laurie Smith	City of Temple Terrace	Brian Simon	City of Clearwater
Rey Muniz	City of Plant City	Mark Still	City of Clearwater
Alison Batten	City of Plant City	John Stephens	City of Clearwater
Louis Gomez	City of Plant City	Eric Jewett	Pinellas County
Carmen Marcano	City of Tampa	Christine Zien-McCombs	Hillsborough County
Barbara Riley	City of Tampa	John Carrion	City of Tampa
Sergio Grillo	City of Pinellas Park	Joe Spann	City of Pinellas Park
Doug Allen	City of Temple Terrace	Tonya Thompson	Pinellas County
John Spicuglia	Pasco County	Craig Lyman	City of Bradenton
Kyonne Goodman	City of Tampa	Michael Maginness	City of Bradenton
Ismael Gonzalez	City of Tampa	Doug Jones	City of Bradenton
Dylan Luke	City of Pinellas Park	Jeffrey Berg	City of Pinellas Park
Carrie Moss	City of Pinellas Park	Shelby Brown	City of Clearwater
Janet Weidner	City of Pinellas Park	Gladys Roldan	City of Pinellas Park

**1. CALL TO ORDER: 11:52**

TBACE President Doug Allen called the meeting to order at 11:52

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion to approve the 02.13.2024 TBACE minutes by Michael Maginness, City of Bradenton, and Christine Zien-McCombs Hillsborough County.

**3. TRESURERS REPORT: \$5,375.77**

A motion to approve the Treasurer's report by Michael Maginness, City of Bradenton, and Christine Zien-McCombs Hillsborough County.

#### **4. OLD BUSINESS:**

**5. NEW BUSINESS:** Amend the bylaws to add Hernando County to TBACE.

A motion by Michael Maginness, City of Bradenton, and a second by Christine Zien-McCombs Hillsborough County.

#### **6. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM:**

##### *Introduction:*

Doug Allen took stage, thanked Pinellas Park, and introduced Kyle Arrison. Kyle took stage and gave thorough background of himself. Kyle Arrison was 17 years old when he interned out of high school. Kyle considered the military but decided to go to college. Kyle then worked for Code Enforcement, earned his bachelor's degree from St. Petersburg College, and now works for City of Pinellas Park Public works.

##### *Topics:*

###### *1. Characteristics of storm water*

Mr. Arrison shared a study out of pacific northwest which described an acre of forestry land. 311,000 replenished groundwater vs. impervious surface 3,000 replenished. Stormwater runoff falls from forest and goes into the ground. Mr. Arrison stated that water eventually ends up on "body of water." In Pinellas County, all channels drain to Boca Ciega bay or old Tampa bay. Everything ends up in body of water that we "recreate" in and it usually takes 7 days to get there. Pinellas Park has 6,098 catch basins, 109 miles of culverts, 19 miles of ditches, 60 ponds, 95 major outfalls, 300 total outfalls. The National Pollution Elimination Discharge System was created from the Clean Water Act of 1972. And requires a yearly activity report to address storm water pollution. Mr. Arrison showed photos from Ohio, photos of Port Saint Lucie's blue green algae red tide.

###### *2. Illicit discharge*

Discharge not composed entirely of stormwater. Any discharge that is not stormwater should not go into stormwater. NPDES allows firefighting activities, diverted streams flows, and uncontaminated lawfully pumped groundwater. Rule 62-302 of NPDES. Mr. Arrison showed a video of where to put yard waste. Blowing yard waste can go into stormwater system. Pinellas Park does not have a code dictating the blowing of yard waste into stormwater. Mr. Arrison shared that they had 22 complaints blowing grass clippings into stormwater system in one Saturday. Mr. Arrison stated that ignorance is the biggest issue with residential illicit discharges. Mr. Arrison shared pictures of leaves blocking storm drain, drains clogged up, and the risk of flooding someone's house. Mr. Arrison shared pictures of concrete Styrofoam, pictures of automobile drives, spill of black ink, concrete washouts, and contractors dumping on curb line.

###### *3. Construction sites*

Typical violation are improper permits, no silt fence, and proper best management practices. "Phasing" is tearing up the work site at the same time, it is better to do it in phases. All construction sites require a permit for discharge. No permits for concrete washouts, stucco paints, hazardous substances, detergents, etc. Erosion starts small and gets big. Kyle Arrison stated that the best way to prevent erosion is by having grass on it or installing a silt fence. Mr. Arrison also stated that anything on a construction site requires maintenance. The silt fence cannot come down until the final grade is established.

###### *4. Tools in your toolbox*

Some of the tools to use are through public education / outreach such as, Stormwater drain murals. Kyle Arrison described painted storm drain in the City of Pinellas Park which showed that they would have no trash, and the ones that were not painted did would get trash. People seem to respect the storm drains that are painted. Mr. Arrison said that enforcement is through verbal warnings, and if compliance is not achieved, Carrie's staff (Code Compliance) takes action. Carrie Moss, Director for City of Pinellas Park Code Compliance, and described the enforcement process such as, NOV's, special magistrates, lot of education, letters for stormwater, curtesy letters, Building Dept. stop work orders, and civil citations. Carrie described Illegal dumping and that commercial littering goes by the pound, Kyle then mentioned the handouts.

*Question: Should you run pool discharge through the yard of properties?*

*Answer: It is a slow enough rate, and running discharge through grass won't kill grass.*

*Questions: Reclaimed water?*

*Answer: Reclaimed water has lots of nutrients and if properly used it can feed your grass. Grass clipping bacteria on grass clippings decompose and sucks the oxygen from clippings which causes algae when clippings decompose and that's when it causes problems. Grass clippings have more bacteria than dog poop.*

**Presentation START: 1155**

**Presentation END: 1245**

## **7. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Secretary:** The survey revealed that the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of the month can be an alternative to host future meetings.

**Treasurer:** None

**Vice president:** None

**President:** Announced to audience for potential host jurisdictions and guest speakers. Thanked everyone for coming and thanked the City of Pinellas Park for hosting the April meeting.

**8. ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned 12:50 PM

Respectfully submitted by:

John Carrion  
**Secretary,**  
**Tampa Bay Association of Code Enforcement**  
June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024