



**ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS
TOWN HALL MEETING
November 18, 2013
Florida Sea Base
73800 Overseas Hwy
Islamorada, FL 33036
6:00 PM**

I. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Ted Blackburn thanked everyone for attending and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

Mayor Ted Blackburn invited Public Comment.

Martin Moe encouraged limiting the number of boats that can anchor in the area off Lower Matecumbe Key.

Jim Bellizzi suggested the Village consider a combustible engine exclusion zone, and cited State Statute 327.46.

Mike McLoad would like to see a no wake zone established on Lower Matecumbe Key bayside.

Larry Zettwach stated the boats anchoring near shore on Lower Matecumbe Key are a public nuisance and a detriment to the community as a whole and would like to see a no motor zone established in the area.

Jim Bellizzi advised Council a swimming area had been buoyed off in the past that effectively limited near shore anchoring.

Sue Miller requested Council to explore the option of Port Antigua Property Owners Association deeding the adjacent upland properties to the Village in order to create a boating restricted area; and/or limit anchoring to protect bay bottom.

Martin Moe suggested establishing a field of mooring balls would reduce the number of boats.

John Erickson, Jim Grainger, Hermina Zavier, George Tamallas and Richard Haight expressed their concerns about the problems caused by near shore anchoring and requested Council find a way to provide relief to the property owners.

II. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ted Blackburn adjourned the meeting at 7: 40p.m.

Approved by the Village Council on December 12, 2013



Synthia Lankford
Village Clerk