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**Nominating Subcommittee Meeting
March 18, 2010
2:00pm – 4:00pm
Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority
6311 Atrium Drive, Suite 100
Lakewood Ranch, FL 34202**

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The meeting began at 2:05pm with all members of the Nominating Subcommittee present. Those in attendance included Greg Blanchard, Susan Hochuli, Dianne Davies and Vice Chair Belinda Perry. This meeting was advertised in the Florida Administrative Weekly and the Sarasota Herald Tribune on 3/4/10 and on the Myakka River Management Coordinating Council (MRMCC) website.

During the meeting, the problem of agency employees serving as Chair or Vice Chair was discussed. Greg mentioned that if a rotating list of meeting facilitators were to be developed, it might take some of the workload off of the Council Chair. Several additional possibilities to expand the pool of nominees to chair and/or facilitate meetings were discussed, but they were found to be inconsistent with current Bylaws. The Bylaws have recently been revised to expand membership, in the hopes that this would expand the pool of Officer Candidates, so Council members were hesitant to begin this long and difficult process again. It was agreed upon to ask DEP about the practicality of revising the Bylaws to insert a new MRMCC administrative structure to allow any member to facilitate the meetings.

Another idea that was brought up to help agency employees serve as Chair was if a subcommittee could be developed to draft any position letters and have a non-governmental employee sign the letters on behalf of the subcommittee instead of the Chair.

Afterwards the subcommittee decided to draft a letter to all Council members asking them whether or not they would be willing to serve as the Chair or Vice Chair in 2011. This was due to the inability to resolve the issue of allowing the government employees serve as officers or facilitators and to and encourage others to volunteer. The letter included the Officer responsibilities, past accomplishments, and future issues.

Greg agreed to give the Nominating Subcommittee update at the April Council meeting. The meeting adjourned at 4:15pm.