

SIESTA KEY ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES
January 7, 2010
St Boniface Church, Meeting Room F

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Ramirez called the meeting to order. A quorum was present: Matthew Burnett, Ron Flynn, Deet Jonker, Joyce Kouba, Catherine Luckner, Bob Schennum, Bob Tripp, Peter van Roekens, Bob Waechter, Gayle Wardner, Nancy Wilson. Excused: Art August, Paul van Deventer.

2. MINUTES – Joyce Kouba

The December minutes were approved as amended.

3. PUBLIC/AUDIENCE COMMENT (12 Guests)

- Donna Graves expressed concern about potential for traffic congestion at the Turtle Beach concession stand, which she understands must be located in the right-of-way.
- Joe Volpe reported that residential sites are permitted a combination of two recreational vehicles/boat trailers, etc.
- A question was raised regarding the condition of water at Siesta Beach. No beach closings due to water quality have occurred this year.
- Joe Volpe is concerned about the fence at Treasure Boat and Ocean Blvd. blocking pedestrian and driver view.
- Jim Graves reported that the lifeguards at Siesta Key Beach are planning to implement a Junior Lifeguard program and would be requesting SKA support. SKA will contact the lifeguards about this issue.

4. AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS:

TURTLE BEACH – Ron Flynn

- The number of parking spaces has not been increased. The proposed plan has 24 less spaces than were previously available.
- No “No Parking” signs have been placed on Turtle Beach Rd. SKA will send a letter to the County regarding the County’s possible liability.
- The location of the concession stand presents a traffic hazard because customers stand in the street while waiting for service.
- The County has set aside money for the improvement plan but questions were raised whether this money should be spent on this plan, which does nothing to improve the parking or traffic problems.
- Parks and Recreation has done a good job improving the park on its own.
- SKA will send a letter to the BOCC asking them to reconsider spending money on a formal plan and instead reallocate the money to Parks and Recreation for park enhancements.

INLET MANAGEMENT – Peter van Roekens

- Some Big Pass markers are not on station. Numbers 5 and 6 will be repositioned.
- The inlet management plan does not appear to be moving forward.
- The proposed rowing facility will be great for our community.

CODE ENFORCEMENT – John Lally

- The County is monitoring solid waste pickups in an effort to reduce illegal construction.
- John is working on sound reading criteria. Establishments are starting to monitor their own sound, which appears to be helping to reduce late evening noise.
- John is monitoring illegal rentals.
- Street vendor requests for permits to locate in the Village have increased. SKA will contact the SKVA regarding sending a joint letter to the BOCC regarding this issue.
- John has responded to several complaints regarding commercial signage, including sandwich boards and excess window signs.

5. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

NOMINATING/BOARD DEVELOPMENT – Gayle Wardner

The new board application form will be available next month.

ZONING – Lourdes Ramirez

- The Parks Ordinance will be a consent item at the next meeting.
- **Flood Prone Ordinance 2008-084**
There is still much discussion about definition of terms. The BOCC has directed staff to talk with FEMA.
- The Beach Access Ordinance has been approved.

MEMBERSHIP – Deet Jonker

- The membership mailing was sent out.
- The new web site will be operational soon.

6. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

- A monitor lizard was sighted on Casey Key. Casey Key wants to know whether SKA would join to fund a program to eradicate the problem. SKA will investigate the County's responsibility for endangered species.
- Nora Patterson will be the keynote speaker at the March annual meeting.
- Deet will talk to the Traffic Council about the 3-way stop sign for Siesta Isles.

7. ADJOURN – President Ramirez adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Kouba
Secretary, Siesta Key Association