

SIESTA KEY ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 1, 2009

St Boniface Church, Meeting Room F

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Ramirez called the meeting to order. A quorum was not present: Ron Flynn, Deet Jonker, Joyce Kouba, Bob Schennum, Paul van Deventer, Excused: Art August, Matthew Burnett, Catherine Luckner, Bob Tripp, Peter van Roekens, Gayle Wardner, Nancy Wilson. Bob Waechter.

2. MINUTES – Joyce Kouba (September minutes not available)

3. FINANCIAL REPORTS – Bob Tripp (No report)

4. SHERIFF'S REPORT – Sgt. Scott Osborne (No report)

5. LIFEGUARD REPORT – JR Ayers – No report

6. PUBLIC/AUDIENCE COMMENT (3 Guests)

- Joe Volpe reported that his Comcast Cable reception is horrible. His understanding is that Comcast's equipment on the island is old that Comcast knows about the problems, but is doing little about it. SKA will investigate what the Association might be able to do about this issue.
- Ann Kaplan noted that moving beach access trashcans further away from the water is resulting in more litter on the beaches. Commissioner Patterson will investigate why the trashcans were repositioned.
- Joe Volpe noted that sea grass in the bay is improving, which he attributes to better water flow due to replacement of Ringling Bridge. Commissioner Patterson noted that several other County projects contributed to improved sea grass including better treatment of effluent, property being taken off septic tanks, and improved storm water runoff.
- Sea grass has been cut at Stickney Point.

7. AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADOPT-A-ROAD/VILLAGE – Peter van Roekens

The next Ocean Blvd pickup will be on November 14th so mark your calendars.

TURTLE BEACH – Ron Flynn

- Post & cable fencing was replaced with post & rope.
- ADA parking spaces are being relocated.
- Grills, picnic tables, and landscaping have been added.
- The meeting room is being renovated.
- News racks have been reduced and relocated.
- A mobile concession is on site.
- Fishing permits for the pier and docks should be approved soon.

- Blind Pass Road improvements should occur in November.
- Curtis Smith, project manager for park improvements, is available to attend a future SKA meeting.

INLET MANAGEMENT – Peter van Roekens

There is a report of shoaling under the Ringling Bridge, which seems unlikely but the Boaters Coalition will check this out next week along with a re-verification of the Big Pass channel.

CODE ENFORCEMENT – John Lally (No report)

TREE CANOPY – Ann Kaplan – No report

8. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

NOMINATING/BOARD DEVELOPMENT – Gayle Wardner – No report

ZONING – Lourdes Ramirez

Flood Prone Ordinance 2008-084

This was reviewed in September, with some language being rescinded. Base flood and phasing are to be determined.

MEMBERSHIP – Deet Jonker (No report)

9. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

- Ann Kaplan pointed out that many of the new plants in the Village have died. Commissioner Patterson stated that the landscaping contract requires that dead plants be replaced until they are successfully established. SKA will write a letter regarding the plants.
- The issue of news rack condominiums was revisited. Commissioner Patterson will look into this issue.

10. ADJOURN – President Ramirez adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Kouba
Secretary, Siesta Key Association