

Captiva Community Panel
MINUTES
April 8, 2014

ATTENDING: McCarthy, Mullins, Stuart, Cunningham, Brown, McClure, Rohn, Kelly.

AUDIENCE: 10?

Introductions and minutes?

CEPD: *Administrator Kathy Rooker:* Vote to increase county funding for beach project by \$1 million is on the BoCC agenda April 15. Support from islanders is needed. *Brown:* What are project costs? *Rooker:* \$20.5 million total, with \$4.6 million from Florida DEP and \$6.1 million from the county. *Cunningham:* Cap add would increase another million. Do we need a letter from panel strongly supporting request *Rooker:* Yes, needs to get in by Friday. Discussion. *Rooker:* Board looking at reserves to see what can be included from there. Still working on FEMA reimbursement from TS Debbie, could be \$1.8 million. CEPD meeting at 10 a.m. April 9 and May 14. *Cunningham:* Motion to draft letter in support of CEPD request to go to all commissioners. *McCarthy* second. Unanimous.

Captiva Fire District: *Chief Rich Dickerson:* Thanks from TJ Klein for the welcome home last month, he's glad to be back to work. Demolition of old station will be finished today, old generator needs to come out, will be stored on Shirley's lot. Lightly used, could last up to 30 years. Have to advertise to other fire districts first, if they don't want it then we can advertise it openly. Retaining wall next week to go around site. Anticipating 8 month build out, 10 months would be OK. Did training on demo-ed house. Station groundbreaking Thursday 10 a.m., very short presentation.

LCSO: *Deputy Mike Sawicki:* No much going on, you can tell it's the end of season as the car haulers start coming on island. Send us house check requests if you're going to be out of town. Need specific notice for houses that are not visible from the road. Discussion of how they check people out they find on property. *Kelly:* Saw golf carts by Tween Waters Inn, loaded with kids. A lot of young kids driving carts in resort. *Sawicki:* Limited what we can do on resort, more once they're outside the gates. Low-speed vehicles can operate anywhere posted 35 mph or less. *Rohn:* Participated in LCSO police academy, did ride-along with Sawicki. He considers himself a citizen, policing community by being part of it. *Sawicki:* That's why we're out here, to be available and part of the community. Police are public and public are police. Call us if you see anything strange.

Hurricane Committee: *Doris Holzheimer:* Meeting next week to put together plans for next season. Gerald Campbell leaving county EOC, replacement has been named but don't know who it is. Thanks to those who came to seminar and SkyWarn session. Small but intense turnout.

Fund-raising: *McCarthy:* Monday After The Masters coming April 14. Other effort to support panel in general. Few people responded so far. Would like to see participation community-wide, not just a few of the same funders. Any ideas? *Cunningham:* Make appeal you just said... a little money from everyone will cover our costs. *McCarthy:* Make another mailing with a direct appeal for funds, \$100 per property. Draft letter seeking support from community. Discussion. *McClure* second. *Rohn:* Make appeal to join to South Seas owners, explain why it's in their interest. *Mullins:* Also ask rental agents to send to their database. Discussion. *Linda ???:* Make it more interesting... use an odd number, join to be a member of this club. *Mullins:* Board members need to push Masters event to encourage participation.

Post at pro shops, post office.

Communications: *Stuart:* Neighborhood associations, also reach to them. Challenges.

Planning: *Max Forgey:* May 16 all day workshop/seminar. Public workshop to follow this meeting.

Financial: *Gooderham:* Monthly report presented.

Topics: *Gooderham:* Multifamily discussion about Cap Drive property on the market, claiming more units than zoning would allow due to Dept. of Revenue coding misunderstanding. *Mullins:* Don't underestimate DOR code, used for CEPD assessment. Jenses on the Gulf is zoned multifamily rather than commercial. Could a motel popup anywhere? *Brown:* Does this discussion have to be in the sunshine? *Gooderham:* Not if isn't coming back in front the panel, but in general a good idea. *Forgey:* Do you want to schedule a workshop after an upcoming panel meeting? Discussion. *Cunningham:* Time people can stay, amount of people, define use and intensity for properties. Anyone who could discuss that would be valuable. *David ???:* Interface of rules and laws that we don't understand. Multifamily uses to properties. Violation of ground level codes. Septic rules. Code enforcement. Multi-agency jurisdiction issues. Height rules.

Bylaws: *Cunningham:* Number of members plus glitch document discussed. Will review and report next month. *Mullins:* How about president only votes to break tie? Allows it to cover any number in attendance. Bylaws Committee meeting May 13 at 8:30 a.m. before panel meeting

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Bylaws Committee

Attending: Cunningham, JBrown, Rohn, Holzheimer, Stuart.

Set up another meeting, to discuss both number and misc. changes. Identify committee members to confirm their attendance. Send glitch memo and new language with current bylaws.

Planning workshop

Attending: 14

Staff: Max Forgey/Julia Davis/Tony Palermo/Ken Gooderham

Table 1: Paul McCarthy, Mike Mullins, David ???, Jay Brown, Susan Stuart, Jack Cunningham, Rachel (Bubble Room) – Tony Palermo

Table 2: Ann Brady, John Jensen, Sue ???, Jeff Shuff, Mike Kelly, David Rohn, Bob Brace – Julia Davis

Table 1:

No state or county enforcement of septic regs. Water quality, algae blooms and red tide, chloroform issue? Septics can work properly, but must be pumped regularly. Is there a water quality problem? Further investigation needed, need to have facts and science. Sewer vs. septic. Are package plants regulated? Sewer = overdevelopment? Capital expenditure, disruption. Best of all worlds? Sanibel link possible? Committee to investigate, is it realistic and what would it cost? Better septic, better inspections, regulation/inspection/incentives. New septic getting more regulated by county? Gray water dumping in back yards. Rental agencies need to play a greater role in regulation. Better standards and rules. Storm water... drains insufficient in heavy rains. Plan for entire island. Fertilizer regs? What are standards? Beach maintenance needed? No program in place now.

Table 2:

Sunset Captiva package plant described. Can't upgrade due to regs, always repairing it. Sewers great in a perfect world, getting them in may not be possible. Sewers = high rises to too many. Sanibel... Kevin Ruane interested in hookup, talked to Manning about feasibility study. Worth pursuing to see costs and issues. To use Wulfert plant for Captiva. Lake O biggest water quality issue. Fertilizer a question. San-Cap work together, Blind Pass is biggest issue. SCCF a good focal point for islands. Swales needed for runoff control, things individual properties can do – how do you tell them they need to? Committee of the Islands involvement, someone from Captiva to represent island? *Mullins*: Bayous Preservation Association to preserve pass, looking at possible groin.

Summary statement. Adjourned 11:45 a.m.