

Captiva Community Panel

MINUTES

Oct. 11, 2016

Attending: Jack Cunningham, Mike Boris, Dave Jensen, Rene Miville, Jay Brown, David Mintz (phone), Peter Koury (phone), Sandy Stilwell, Bob Walter

Audience: 10

Meeting convened at 9 a.m. Roll call, introduction of Tom Rathbone and Mike Lanigan who were in the audience. Add them to emails. Minutes from the Sept. 13 meeting were unanimously approved.

Captiva Fire District: *Chief Rich Dickerson:* Calls should go through 911, not direct to station. Faster if call is dispatched in case we're not there. Knocks Box brochures still available, holds a key to give us access to your home in an emergency. On the Gold Coast, there are a few addresses where there is no number on the southbound side to improve our visibility to find an address. Hydrants are numbered, so we can use those for location. Difficult to see in the dark. Rauschenberg Residency artists offered to put art in new station. We rotate the installation, just put in new pieces. South Florida dodged bullet with Matthew, good exercise for us. Bad accident on jet ski last night. Hit a piling at dusk. Sgt. Mike Sawicki up all night in response, which is why he's not here today.

Hurricane: *Dickerson:* Worked plan, season ends Nov. 30. Warm water still can spur storms, and tropical storms can develop very fast.

Planning: *Max Forgey:* Sea Level Rise symposium planned for Jan. 13 at South Seas, 1-5 p.m. Working on program, expecting a good group of speakers. First half looking at sea level question, second half focuses on Captiva, both coasts. River Hall meeting of governor and cabinet set for Oct. 4 cancelled due to Matthew, postponed indefinitely. I handed out my resume, you have not seen it in a while. Shared chronology with new panel members. *Gooderham:* No progress on staff review of Captiva Plan update we turned in at the end of August. Were told staff turnover delayed work. *Miville:* Reach out to commissioners to incite action? *Gooderham:* Will follow up by early November, can decide on next step if nothing happens by then. *Miville:* Will reach out to Manning. *Cunningham:* Disagree, mistake to go above that level at this point. Could work against us in the long run. Send letter to staff with timetable for hearings, then move upward. *Walter:* Not being ignored, giving county too much credit for being organized. *Brown:* Defer to my report.

- **ACTION:** Gooderham will follow up with staff in early November, next action will be based on response.

Tween Waters: *Brown:* Explained role of panel in this informational meetings, notification for agenda differs between bylaws and county code. Up to Tween Waters to hold proper meeting. *Gooderham:* Reason for hearing. *Tony Lapi:* We wanted to build an additional pool due to business. Intention was to take out one court, add another pool for comfort of our guests. Thought that was going to be easy. Put in permit, discovered some hoops I was not aware of. Resort is on the National Historic Register, cottages and restaurant, already designated by Lee County as part of a historic district. Need the Historic Preservation board's OK to install pool. Trying to get work done before high season. Have an Oct. 26 meeting with Historic Preservation board, looking for letter of no objection to pool plans. No visual impact, more room for guests. *Brown:* Are you asking panel for letter, or just helpful to you before board? *Stilwell:* To avoid county hearing? Consider an informational meeting at Tween Waters to see if there are any problems. *Walter:* Variances involved? *Lapi:* No. *Walter:* On existing court, any impervious area issue? *Lapi:* Will

improve it. *Walter*: County seeking community approval. *Gooderham*: Discussion of purposes. Discussion. *Walter*: Show minutes and comments, if county needs more we can do it at the next meeting. *Mintz*: Not sure why Tween Waters is here. If it's an administrative action, was not had enough notice for community. Issue of timeliness, panel can take vote and waive the bylaws for this instance. Or Lapi can report to county what members and audience say, no objection without vote. If considered administrative action, could require public meeting. If county is a stickler, will have to meet specific rules to meet for notice, etc. *Lapi*: Probably is Development Order trigger, commercial and historic land uses. Told he needed a letter from panel. Trying to get in through for Oct. 26 meeting. *Brown*: No problem with poll of members. *Lapi*: If someone has any objections to project, state them to panel. *Cunningham*: Panel vote based on urgency, clearer to the community. Vote and submit letter on behalf of panel. Move that panel vote on accepting Tween Waters' request for new pool, and Tween Waters will do mailing to community to allow them to voice their concerns prior to Oct. 26. (Walter second) *Mintz*: Express nature of urgency. Panel does not have authority to require letter, set a precedent. Lapi can advertise on his own to satisfy requirements. Suggest you amend motion to drop letter, take a poll based on urgency of scheduling (both accepted). *Koury*: Poll or vote? *Cunningham*: Vote as a panel. No objection, unanimous approval. *Mintz*: Should try to get agenda on website 7 days prior. Explanation that agenda was there, but this item was added as soon as Lapi called on Thursday morning, Oct. 6.

- **ACTION**: Minutes of this meeting will be emailed to Lapi, Tween Waters will pursue other follow-up as necessary.

Wastewater: *Brown*: No progress to report since last meeting, summary of status with Pam Keyes. Our response to scope in limbo until we can meet with her, set for Thursday. Meeting was scheduled Friday, Oct. 7, delayed due to Matthew. Hope to get a sense of issues delaying action. Some suggested going direct to board, prefer to hold that as a last resort, that's a good way to make an enemy. Resolve this in a nonpublic manner. *Miville*: Is issue with state or county, issue of regulation? *Brown*: County offer to study alternatives. *Miville*: Getting a lot of questions from Captiva to state staff. Where are those coming from? *Mintz*: From county, possibly.

- **ACTION**: Brown will report on progress from Oct. 13 meeting.

Captiva Drive: *Mintz*: Work on setting meeting with property owners when I get back on island.

Tax distribution: *Koury*: Nothing new.

Density protection: *Mintz*: At November I'll be bringing a letter to planner David Depew requesting a more formal proposal and purpose on his discussion to assist in developing plan language to better protect island density protections.. *Brown*: Summary of purpose. Protection if we address wastewater issues to ensure density would not be increased due to increased capacity. *Jensen*: Why engaging Depew, not Forgey? *Mintz*: He offered to assist *Walter*: He does not assist for free. *Mintz*: Explanation, in June we discussed taking a look at options to strengthen language to avoid being subject to challenges, ballpark figure of cost. Forgey expressed concerns at that meeting, agreed that could use both pending proposals. Depew proposal for discussion, Forgey on hand, look at best options to protect island. Not committing to Depew contract, just seeking resources.

- **ACTION**: Mintz will prepare letter to discuss at November meeting.

LCEC grid: *Brown*: Miville volunteered to work with LCEC on power delivery options. *Miville*: Spoke with Tricia Dorn, said she would look at infrastructure that could be upgraded for improvements. Have had fewer outages so far. Will follow up with her and you all on outages. *Stilwell*: Need to take a more proactive approach to keep lines clearer. Look around, they will come out and fix problems you identify.

Boris: Ask her to come back and report to us on status. Discussion about data on outages. Reliability update at upcoming meeting, invite Dorn for November? *Miville:* Issue always was easements. Look at major utility easements -- power, sewer, water, etc. Discussion of wastewater and power easements and projects.

- **ACTION:** Gooderham will invite Dorn to November meeting.

Nominating Committee: *Boris:* Summary of needs. Names submitted -- Tom Rathbone (CCA), Mike Lanigan (CPOA), Andreas Bieri (CPOA), Bob Walter (CCP). Accumulate interested people for the future. *Brown:* Various committees also need volunteers, good way to contribute. *Boris:* Interest is expanding, panel profile is rising. *Miville:* Trickle-up approach to panel appointments. *Mintz:* Only vote for panel to hold is Walter seat. Anyone in the public can submit names to run against him, must be submitted by November meeting. At December meeting, panel will vote on at-large position.

Financial: *Cunningham:* Status, raised \$15,000 so far this year, compared to \$20,000 last year, plus county reimbursement to be submitted. We'll be OK to the end of the year now. Welcome Back Cruise: Ended up changing date due to Historical Society conflict, now set for Dec. 5, 5-6:30 p.m. Tween Water, Sandy Stilwell and Andreas Bieri volunteered to assist with food. Invitation prepared, not sent, will go out just prior to Nov. 9 cruise. *Brown:* Name restaurants in invitation? *Cunningham:* Yes. Also will develop signage for dock and boat. Invitation, \$100 per person, also invite all the commissioners. Develop letter for BOCC invite. Sea Level Rise reception: Symposium runs 1-5 p.m., followed by Kings Crown reception sponsored by panel. Will confirm donation. 5:30 or 6 p.m. and do we charge for reservations... say \$50? *Jensen:* Trying to raise money or good will? *Cunningham:* Fund-raising. Discussion. Consensus that \$50 is good. *Forgey:* Invite speakers to reception? *Stilwell:* OK. *Cunningham:* Commissioners for cruise only? *Stilwell:* Why not one or the other? Consensus is cruise invite, let them know about the symposium. *Cunningham:* Making up for mailer loss if successful. Discussion.

- **ACTION:** Gooderham will arrange for cruise mailing to go out around Nov. 9, Cunningham will develop invitation language for Jan. 13 reception.

Stilwell: Songwriters festival a great event. Busy weekend that otherwise would have been dead. Holiday Village... decided not to collect from everyone for lighting, let everyone do it on their own. Cancelled boat parade, not enough time and conflict with service for Paul McCarthy. Need to think about getting an organizer to take on website, organize events. Discussion of events. *Jensen:* Call for meeting, see who shows up. *Stilwell:* Who would be point person from various businesses? *Lapi:* Reach out to Jeff Shuff? *Walter:* We do golf cart parade, decorations etc. *Stilwell:* Website, publicity, advertising... Perry Thompson helping with some of that. Need coordination of individual activities. *Boris:* No deliverable of schedule of events? Discussion of decoration sources. *Brown:* Media support. Ashley Goodman, agoodman@breezenewspapers.com

George Kohlbrenner: Join Sanibel-Captiva Board of Realtors, no charge to nonprofits. We can support certain events. Panel is doing very important things, but Realtor focus tends to be on Sanibel, hope to change that. *Lapi:* Resort heading up United Way campaign again this year. Looking for volunteers.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

-- **Ken Gooderham, administrator**