

Captiva Community Panel
MINUTES
March 10, 2009

Attending: Rick Hayduk, Dave Jensen, Jim Boyle, Sandy Stilwell, Harry Silverglide, Nathalie Pyle, Gordon Hullar

Audience: 15

The meeting convened at 9:05 a.m. Following a roll call of panel members, the Feb. 10 minutes were unanimously approved on a motion by Hullar (Stilwell second).

Land Development Code: Gooderham summarized the efforts at developing Land Development code language for Captiva, and walked the panel members through Draft #5 to solicit input or direction. After discussion of numerous aspects, it was decided that a final draft would be prepared for the April meeting in hopes that a final decision could be accomplished then which would allow the draft to be submitted to the county. Paul Garvey noted that the Captiva Civic Association's attorney might be able to offer some additional language on mangroves and a clean-up of the sign ordinance language in time for that meeting. Gooderham also noted that another bill for reimbursement from the county would be submitted at the same time as the final draft was delivered.

Blind Pass: Captiva Erosion Prevention District administrator Kathy Rooker said county staffer Robert Neal would discuss the Blind Pass project at length at the March 11 CEPD meeting. She said that 24-hour trucking of the spoil would commence shortly, which was needed to clear out the containment cell. The CEPD is working to change the existing Portolets at the Hagerup access to more environmentally sensitive toilets. They would be self-composting, and what's left are nutrients that can be used as fertilizer. Rooker said the beach tilling was completed on Friday, which was tied to the beach project permit. Less compacted sand was better for turtles, Rooker said. She concluded by noting that an open house at the CEPD office was set for March 12 5-7 p.m.

Hurricane response committee: Doris Holzheimer discussed the hurricane prep program offered last Friday. She said excellent material was offered, and she had brought materials from some of the presenters to the meeting today. Structural Safety Inspector training was set for March 28. She reminded property owners to provide a letter to the Captiva Fire District to allow people to check your property post-storm. Captivans can get a hurricane hang tag from the city of Sanibel or at mycaptiva.info; will need to provide proof of residency. Miville asked if the committee could provide a list of people who would be available to check properties. Holzheimer said the committee did not want to provide such a list. Stilwell asked if owners need to update their forms if nothing has changed. Holzheimer said they did not.

Web site: Gooderham noted that a link to a draft home page had been sent to panel members prior to the meeting along with an outline of the proposed site structure, and asked for input. There were some comments on design, and Gooderham said they would be included in the next iteration of the page with more of the sub-pages in place, hopefully in time for the next meeting.

Bylaws: Gooderham noted that there was an April deadline to make any changes in the bylaws with only a majority vote. A question was asked about the process of determining panel membership. Hullar said there had not been any requests to join recently after Boyle was voted on. Miville said that typically advisory boards look for community activists to serve. Thus, those who want to get involved can be involved. There was a question about the functioning of the panel's sponsoring organization and the appointment process. Hayduk said that nominations have come from the community, it's not just self-perpetuating. Miville said that the panel has done a lot for the island, it's working very well. If you want to get involved, be involved. Hullar said there was no sense from the panel to change the bylaws, if it's working why change it?

Finance: The most recent report was submitted. Gooderham noted that the reimbursement payment from the first quarter of the water quality project was still pending, but was expected shortly.

Water quality: Jensen noted that Gooderham was working with SCCF's Marine Lab to submitted a Year 2 funding request for the monitoring project by the March 18 deadline.

LDC: No additional comments.

Fund-raising: Hayduk said the Captiva Food and Travel Festival was now scheduled for April 8 in Chadwicks Square. Posters would be distributed, donations were being sought. There would be a \$10 adult entry fee \$5 for children, with access to tapas-style food, a cash bar and carnival games at \$2 per game. Silent auction 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Live auction starts at 5 p.m., focusing on vacation packages. Good occupancy on the island. Possible private reception to raise funds as well. Miville suggested they do food tickets instead of a cover charge, and to pursue big donors for packages. Silent auction is tougher to get items. Have organizational meetings beforehand. Stilwell asked how they planned to handle drinks and bar. Hayduk said South Seas will likely handle those. Event itself is 4:30-6:30 p.m. This was a good time of year for this kind of event, could be something we do again in the future.

New business: There was a discussion of the status of the proposed golf cart ordinance. Gooderham said they were awaiting final draft language. Someone asked whether polling will take place and how will it be conducted...should drivers be polled as road users? Hullar said the panel has not taken a position on

the issue yet, asked the county to move forward to prepare language to have a community discussion. He noted that the ordinance only affected night-time use and regulation of users, not an expansion of the golf cart one on the island. That was a determination made by Lee DOT, and was still pending from the discussion last December.

Someone asked that the panel bylaws said you would poll only if issues is big enough to pol. What has to be done to make this an issue? Miville said the panel should do a poll, that he was guessing people would want golf carts everywhere. If we see consensus, we can act. If there are disputes, we can ask more questions. Find out language, get it communicated to the island, see if there is consensus. Jensen recounted the safety shoulder experience, talked it through public reaction, polling was a good idea. If that sense comes once we have actual language, we can poll at that point. Polling a pain in the neck but it was important. A question was asked about the "shared use path" language in the draft. Gooderham said that was a remnant from the countywide ordinance and would probably be eliminated. Stilwell said that expanding zone was controversial, may need polling. That's separate from the ordinance under consideration.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

-- Ken Gooderham