

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Captiva Erosion Prevention District
Tween Waters Inn
15951 Captiva Drive, Captiva, Florida 33924
Wednesday, May 6, 2009 @ 12:00 P.M.

Commissioners Present: Mike Mullins (Chairman), Dave Jensen (Treasurer), Harry Kaiser (Secretary), Rene Miville (Commissioner)

Administrative Consultants Present: Kathy Rooker (Consultant), Ruth Wilburn (Consultant)

I. Call to Order

Chairman Mullins called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M.

II. Roll Call

Chairman Mullins performed the roll call, the results which are detailed above. Doris Holzheimer (Vice Chairman) was excused from this meeting.

III. Approval of CEPD Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Kaiser moved to approve all minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Miville and passed unanimously.

IV. Subcommittee Report

The outsourcing contract with Partners in Progress was reported to be complete and ready for approval with the exception of very few incidental items. Chairman Mullins asks for a motion to approve the contract and the addition of incidental items. Commissioner Miville moved to approve the contract. Commissioner Kaiser seconded the motion and this was passed unanimously.

Commissioner Jensen asked if the contract was just to cover personnel or if it included services as well. The contract is both personnel and services and was approved in the Scope of Services during the December 2008 Regular Meeting.

The Sub Committee will meet and make necessary changes and send the contract to the CEPD attorney.

Commissioner Miville thanked Chairman Mullins for the brilliant contract that will help the people of Sanibel and Captiva.

V. Blind Pass Presentation by Robert Neal, Coastal Engineer, Lee County Department of Natural Resources

Mr. Robert Neal, Coastal Engineer of Lee County Department of Natural Resources gave a detailed report on the status of the Blind Pass project. Approximately 100 members of local organizations and community came out to hear this presentation. The pass will open in mid June and the opening will be followed by a Grand Opening Celebration sometime in July.

Commissioner Kaiser thanked Robert Neal for the informative presentation as well as all the hard work he has done on the project.

(Following the Blind Pass Presentation Commissioner Miville was excused from the remainder of the meeting.)

VI. Financial Report

Treasurer Jensen presented the Financial Report. Budget Amendments will be done at the June Regular Meeting. Consultant Rooker is negotiating a new potential loan at Bank of America with an interest rate of 2.5% to refinance the existing Fifth Third Bank.

VII. Report of the Administrator

a) Strategic Plan Medium Term Objectives

The attached spreadsheet is a reflection of the Medium Term Goals that need to be accomplished May 15 – Aug. 15. The most important item is to continue and complete closing out the reporting on the last re-nourishment project.

b) HB 1219 Update

An emergency meeting was held on April 28, 2009, a Resolution was created to oppose House Bill 1219 Oil and Offshore Drilling. Consultant Rooker shared the concerns of this bill and encouraged all to write their local officials. Further, Consultant Rooker shared facts on offshore drilling, the frequency of oil spills from rigs, pipelines, and storage tanks.

c) Thank You Letter

Consultant Rooker shared the Bayou Preservation Association thank you letter for the grant to continue water quality testing.

VIII. Old Business

September Regular Board Meeting Date Change

Due to the Budget Hearings and the FSBPA conference Commissioner Kaiser moved to change the September Regular Meeting to September 14 at 4:00pm. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jensen and passed unanimously.

Parking Lot Fees

Chairman Mullins will contact Barbara Manzo regarding a proposed increase in parking fees.

IX. New Business

Request to Waive Estoppel Fee

Gilda Suarez of Executive Title presented a situation with an upcoming real estate closing that has been difficult due to current economic state. Ms. Suarez asked the District to waive the \$100 estoppel fee. After discussion Chairman Mullins asked for a motion to eliminate or reduce this fee. No motion was made.

X. Public to be Heard

No public comments made.

XI. Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Jensen stated that Dan Wexler had been present at the meeting and wanted accounting on Blind Pass. Consultant Rooker stated the County has all accounting information.

Chairman Mullins commented that Bridgit Stone of the Sanibel Captiva Chamber of Commerce offered to help the CEPD get the word out for important events.

Chairman Mullins is working on sponsorships for the Grand Opening Celebration.

Meeting adjourned at 2:05pm