

## **Minutes of the Special Town Hall Meeting of the Captiva Erosion Prevention District**

'Tween Waters Inn, Wakefield Room  
15951 Captiva Drive, Captiva Island, FL 33924  
Wednesday, March 31, 2010

Commissioners Present: Mike Mullins (Chairman), Doris Holzheimer (Vice Chairman), Dave Jensen (Treasurer), and Harry Kaiser (Secretary)

Commissioners Absent: Rene Miville

Consultants Present: Kathleen Rooker (Senior Administrative Consultant); Robert Gray, (President, Partners in Progress, Inc.)

### **I. Call to Order**

Chair Mike Mullins called the meeting to order at 10:02 p.m.

### **II. Roll Call**

Mr. Mullins introduced the Commissioners who were present (as indicated above), other notables, and thanked those in attendance for coming to the meeting.

### **III. Welcome**

Ms. Rooker introduced the speakers and other notables in attendance.

### **IV. Presentation**

Ms. Rooker began the presentation by giving some of the history, issues, and effects on property values of beach nourishment on Captiva,

Steve Keehn, PE, Coastal Planning & Engineering, displayed slides and discussed how beach erosion can occur, the primary cause of erosion on Captiva (the hurricane of 1926 that created Redfish Pass), some of the related events that took place in the period between 1960 and the late 1980's, what is beach nourishment, the advantages of beach nourishment, and past CEPD beach nourishment projects.

Ms. Holzheimer presented information on what the Captiva Erosion Control District is and how it functions, what functions it manages, the nourishment project timeline, and how CEPD has addressed the offshore oil drilling issue.

Mr. Mullin presented data on how recent projects were funded, the financial return of investment the federal government, State of Florida, and Lee County gain, the issues and

circumstances surrounding the US Supreme Court Case 08-1151, Stop the Beach Renourishment v. Florida, and called upon those in the audience to support CEPD's efforts on their behalf.

Robert Neal, PE, Lee County Department of Natural Resources, displayed information on and talked about the Blind Pass dredging project, including information on the goals of the project, where we are now in relation to those goals, conclusions since the reopening of the pass, and next steps.

**V. Question and Answer Period**

Mr. Mullins, Mr. Keehn, and Mr. Neil listened to comments from the audience and answered questions.

The meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m.