



APTA – Alligator Point Taxpayers Association

Minutes of the Spring General Meeting, April 9, 2005

A quorum of members was present (15 members), so President Ken Osborne called the meeting to order at 9am. President Osborne called for any topics of discussion as none had been submitted prior to the meeting. Betty Cummins moved that a budget item be added for APTA turtle programs; second by Hambrose. Discussion of need for funding and the amount that might be necessary followed. Bill Wargo, Turtle Patrol Coordinator, explained the lack of funding sources until the permit is approved; Kim Wren currently holds it temporarily but, since she is employed by the state, is not qualified for funding. Even after the permit is approved, grants and such are not guaranteed. Wargo explained that he pays most expenses himself but has received some donations and generous support from APTA for special items. He estimated that the cost annually is about \$1000. It was agreed that this year APTA would allocate up to \$1000 for the turtle program. Motion passed.

Paul Parker gave a brief description of the Tourist Development Council, which is funded by the county “bed tax”. The TDC should get their first funding at the end of April but will not know how much will be available until the first year is done. Some things will be done by the TDC and others will be grants for community groups.

Motion to adjourn by Munroe; Feifer second; passed.

Minutes of Board meeting – April 9, 2005

President Ken Osborne called the meeting to order at 10:00am. A quorum of Board members was present. The minutes have been distributed to Board members by e-mail; President Osborne called for additions or corrections; Munroe moved that the minutes be accepted, Feifer second; motion passed. Bill Kimbrough gave the Treasurer’s report: Total assets including CD are \$29,791.41. Feifer moved report be accepted, Munroe second; motion passed.

Committee Reports

Development Committee (Joe Hambrose, Allan Feifer)

The Comp Plan passed at the last Commissioners’ meeting. Only Commissioner Putnal voted against it; he did not want the St. James Island developments added to the Plan.

The “lot 23” request will be back before the County Commissioners in April; an inspection is scheduled for 2pm on Sunday.

Bald Point State Park – the status has quietly changed for more activity; big camp ground, horses on trailers and other activities. They have not held any public meetings on park use as was promised by the Park Service.



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Beach Renourishment (Dick Waters)

An e-mail was received from Allen Pierce: DEP is funding the testing of offshore sand. Still claiming that funding might be available this year, if other projects do not use up all the funding. Motion to put documents sent by e-mail from Bill Wargo into the record by Waters; Kimbrough second; passed.

Communication Committee (Ann Maruszak)

Ann has requested that she continue to be Communication Committee chairman and take care of the web site. A policy proposal was presented for web ads to be sent out via e-mail for review and vote. The newsletter deadline is April 22 for printing in May.

Membership Committee (Joann Deibel)

There was an estimate of 335 paid members.

Beautification Committee (Joann Deibel)

The welcome garden is looking very good.

Safety & Security Committee (John Murphy)

Neighborhood Watch program is still being organized and worked on.

Call for new business

No new business.

Motion to adjourn made by Munroe, seconded by Feifer, motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim R Cummins, Sec.