

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting – January 14, 2012
Alligator Point Taxpayers' Association

The Board of Directors was called to order by President Jim McCloy at 9:03 am.

Members absent: Maruszak, Mitchell, Sosebee, Withers ; a quorum was present.

President called for a motion to approve 12/10/11 Board meeting minutes: Feifer moved, Gibson seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report: Report sent by e-mail; Motion to approve: Rogers moved, Hambrose seconded; passed without objection. The Treasurer requested a motion to approve the payment of Director's Insurance of \$1483.63. Rogers moved; Osborne seconded, motion passed.

President's Report

The following items have been worked on: Parking and newsletter problems which we will discuss later in the meeting. There will no longer be a Communication Committee, but two committees – Newsletter and Website.

Committee Reports

Beautification (Withers) – (none)

Membership (Heymann) – replies to the questionnaire are slowly coming in. Membership renewals are also slow.

Newsletter (Rogers) – Change in procedures, multiple screw-ups led to a flawed newsletter. Another newsletter will be produced and sent out in February. Duraprint will print the next one for free except postage since they messed up the previous one.

Website (Maruszak/(open)) – (none)

Safety and Security (Sosebee) – (none)

Old Business

South Shoal – Rogers – Capital City Bank has filed a lawsuit against DEP and Franklin County concerning the lack of compliance on maintaining the rock revetment along Alligator Drive. See Alan Pierce's report to the FCBCC for more details. A link to this report and filing were sent out to Board members by Cummins last week.

Feifer – has received a message from Pierce that beach restoration is dead and is not planning to use any of the Bald Point Trust for legal fees. FEMA is processing claim to purchase land to complete the relocation of Alligator Drive.

Osborne gave a summary of the South Shoal background.

McCloy reported a contact with the County attorney confirming the information Feifer presented.

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Beach Parking Access – New signs are up pointing to Bald Point for beach access and public restrooms. The County considers themselves done except for Chip Morrison Road. McCloy will contact the Sheriff to initiate parking enforcement.

FCBCC reports – December meeting was changed at the last minute to meet in Carabell. Population figures are in: 2000, 9828; 2010, 9777 net of prison population, so population went down by 0.5%. Total 2010 population including prisoners was 12,300.

Commissioner Lockley moved to enlarge his district which lost in a 4 – 1 vote. Lockley left the meeting in a huff.

A report on the Hospital feasibility study, which cost \$130K, showed an overall \$2M deficient. The request for new hospital funding was turned down by the government agency with that responsibility.

Gibson asked what is being done on the east end of Gulf Shore Blvd to mitigate the beach erosion? He will attend the next Commissioner's meeting.

Osborne brought up the issue of county wide voting pointing out that Lockley's tantrum highlights the issue as does Sander's position on the water district expansion. What is APTA's position on this issue?

McCloy wants an item in the newsletter about it. Could we get a survey of members?

Note: In the county-wide plan Commissioners must be residents of the district they represent. This could be an item on the November ballot if the petitions are done.

New Business

Water Board – Osborne – the water board meets next Saturday. The opposition to the expansion has died and support is wide spread.

Gibson – Could we have Tom Van Der Platz come to our meeting to describe the plan?

Glenn Haste – There is a fire hydrant wrapped in plastic on Bald Point and the service man said that there needed to be a part replaced. Still not fixed after two months. Feifer said he would check.

There being no additional business the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Jim Cummins via e-mail, 2/6/2012