

ALLIGATOR POINT TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

Saturday June 12, 2004

APTA President, Ken Osborne called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Due to a full agenda the first order of business was to approve the Minutes for May 8th. The Minutes were previously provided to Board members for review prior to this meeting. Don Munroe made a motion that the Minutes be approved; Alan Fiefer seconded the motion and the Board approved the Minutes of May 8th. Motion Carried.

APTA Treasurer, Bill Kimbrough read the Treasurers report. Ken Osborne asked that Bill email the report for Board approval. A CD remains at Wakulla Bank due to the fact that there was no change in the interest rate. APTA's checking account was moved to Wakulla Bank to make for easier access to conduct banking business. This move was previously approved by the Board. Don Munroe made a motion that the Treasures report be approved; Alan Feifer seconded and the Board approved the report. Motioned Carried.

In an effort to conserve time, rather than ask each Committee Chair to report on their committee, Ken asked that reports be given later in the meeting and that only Chairs that had information to share need report.

Election of Two Board Members and 2nd Vice President

Ken then asked Joe Hambrose, Chair of the Nominating Committee, to proceed with the nomination and election of two Board members and a 2nd Vice President. Board Members, Rand Edelstein asked to be replaced due to outstanding obligations and Board Member D.J Thomas was replaced due to inadequate attendance. Second Vice President Linc Barnett resigned due to the fact that he and his wife Vicki have moved away from the Point. Following parliamentary procedure the Board elected Bob Mensching and Ben Houston to the Board. Ann Maruszak was elected 2nd Vice President.

County Commissioner Cheryl Sanders

County Commissioner Cheryl Sanders addressed the group and stated that the County budget process would begin in July and encouraged citizens to attend and participate in the workshops. She stated that she would nominate John Murphy to a vacant Planning & Zoning seat at the next County Commission meeting. Ken Osborne thanked John Murphy for accepting the nomination. She also stated that the beach re-nourishment project for Alligator Point is still proceeding with November anticipated at the start date. Ken Osborne questioned the Board of Adjustment process to which Cheryl stated that the County Commission is reviewing the function of the BOA. Ken Osborne also expressed concern regarding Alan Pierce no longer working for the County. Cheryl noted Ken's concern and stated that Alan left on his own accord. Alan Feifer expressed to Cheryl the need for a code enforcement officer for Franklin County.

"South Shoal Village"

The majority of the meeting time was devoted to discussion regarding "South Shoal Village". Joe Hambrose, Chair of the Development Committee and committee member Alan Feifer, led the discussion. Ken Osborne opened the discussion by stating that APTA has monitored the project's progress and elicited the advice of a planner and land use attorney. Through APTA's efforts, a title search revealed that Tom Roberts Road through the campground is a public road. Steve Fling stated at the meeting that if the County states that Tom Roberts Road is their road that he will not contest it.

The County approved PUD allows for 23 residential lots in Phase I of the project. Thirteen previously platted lots are also included in the project but are not part of the PUD. The initial plan called for 64 residential lots.

Phase II of the project will concern the commercial aspects of the project. Phase II must undergo the same review and approval process as that required for Phase I. A start date for Phase II was not discussed.

Emergency access to Tom Roberts Road from the west will be available if and when the need arises as when Alligator Drive is not passable due to storm damage.

Steve Fling has agreed to begin civil work within 1 year and to complete the work in 3 years.

Project features include a firehouse sub-station and house for the Franklin County Deputy. The firehouse will have a 99-year lease at \$ 1.00 per year.

The current sewer plant will be upgraded to an Advanced Waste Water Treatment plant. Mr. Fling stated that he will not seek building permits until or unless he gets permits for the plant. Certificates of Occupancy will not be issued until the plant is online.

The 13 previously platted lots are now zoned R1 and any trailers on those lots will be removed.

At the conclusion of discussion about Steve Fling's project and with the Development Committees recommendation to support the project, Ken asked Board members if there was a motion to support the project. Bill Kimbrough made a motion that APTA support the project followed by Alan Feifer's second. Board members voted 7 in approval (Parker, de Haven, Kimbrough, Feifer, Maruszak, Munroe, Hambrose), there we no "NO" votes and two abstained (Murphy and Waters). Osborne declined to vote unless his vote was necessary as a tiebreaker. Motion Carried.

Ken stated that APTA would attend the public hearing June 15 at the Franklin County Courthouse Annex to support the project and to also make statements regarding issues of concern. He invited all others to attend the meeting to express their thoughts and concerns. Copies of the South Shoal Village PUD Ordinance

were made available at the APTA meeting. The South Shoal Village discussion ended.

Committee Reports and New Business

Ken next asked for Committee reports and for additional business.

A Letter of Appreciation is being signed by the Board and Officers to be sent to Linc and Vicki Barnett for the outstanding service they provided to APTA, to the Alligator Point Community and to Franklin County.

Karen Waters, reported on Sea Turtle news on behalf of Bill Wargo and stated that various maintenance bills have amounted to \$742.97 and asked for APTA's assistance to pay those bills. The APTA Turtle account currently has \$197.71. Ken requested that Karen get with Bill Wargo to provide an explanation as to how the Turtle Program is funded. The Board voted to fund a loan that would add money to the Turtle account to pay the \$742.97 in current outstanding bills.

Ann Maruszak, chair of the Communications Committee announced that 'beth Hayes is preparing the next issue of APTA's newsletter "Down to the Point" and asked for articles.

Ken asked if there were any other Committee reports. There were no further reports.

Ken next asked for any other new business.

APTA member, Stacia, supported by other residents of Carousel and Carnival expressed their concern over the abandonment of beach access at Carousel. Considerable discussion took place regarding this abandonment and past abandonments and what happens when county property is abandoned. Ken asked that Stacia further the discussion with Joe Hambrose and himself. He stated the potential for APTA to support a petition to the County but stated that further discussion is necessary. Alan Feifer suggested that anyone knowing of the potential abandonment of property bring it to APTA's attention.

Osborne stated that official APTA news is posted on the APTA web site; apta-fl.org and that he does not use email to send out notices to APTA members.

Election Committee

The last order of business was the selection and approval of the Nominating Committee for the September Election. The Board approved the formation of the Nominating Committee to include Paul Parker, Jo deHaven, Ruth Hambrose and John Murphy with Don Monroe as Chair. A list of candidates is needed by June 30, 2004

Motion to adjourn was made by Jo dehaven, second by Ruth Hambrose.
Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:
Ann Maruszak
substituting for Jim Cummins, Secretary

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