



APTA – Alligator Point Taxpayers Association

Minutes of General Meeting – April 8, 2006

President Ken Osborne called the meeting to order and explained that the By-laws provide for three general meetings each year in April, September and December. This meeting is dedicated to a presentation by Mike Dombrowski (MRD Associates) on the beach renourishment issues with comments by Commissioner Cheryl Sanders and County Planner Alan Pierce. The presentation is too lengthy to include in the minutes but will be put onto the APTA web page and be available for review. [Note: presentation was available as of April 11 with additional comments by President Osborne on the APTA web page.] The total cost of the initial project is estimated at \$4.5M with a repair interval of 8-10 years at a cost of approximately \$2.3M at today's prices.

After Dombrowski's presentation, Alan Pierce joined him and answered several questions concerning road repair and timing, public access points (Is the access at Pelican Street a public one?), environmental constraints, and erosion mechanisms. President Osborne summarized that the community has just been presented with this project and should have some time to review. He proposed that another general meeting be held to make a decision. He then asked Alan Pierce to give some the financing options available and their impact.

Alan Pierce started by saying that this is a new issue for the County to deal with but that residents of urban areas around the state are dealing with it. The County government is new to the beach renourishment and not yet aware of all of the nuances of funding. He presented some financing options with the proviso that there are lot of unknowns and perhaps more than six months ago. The State has set aside a lot of money but all of it requires County participation (share). One option is a special assessment (MSBU) of properties that could run about \$400 per year per property. This funding would finance a bond issue to do the renourishment and resurface the road in the absence of any other County funding (worse case scenario).

Dick Waters summarized the beach renourishment and road protection programs. He pointed out that it has been going on for 20 years or so. At every stage it has been decided that the “best” solution is to put in sand even knowing that it will need to be redone every 8 to 10 years. Funding options abound; we need to have a way to pull this all together.

After a plea by Bill Kimbrough to have people to join APTA and a call for additional business, President Osborne called a Special General Meeting for the second Saturday of June. The General Membership Meeting was adjourned.



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Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting – April 8, 2006

President Ken Osborne called the meeting to order. A quorum was present. President Osborne called for additions or corrections to the minutes of the last meeting as transmitted by e-mail; motion made by Houston and seconded by Hambrose to accept the minutes; motion passed. The Financial report was given by the Treasurer and indicated that total assets are \$26,102.70. Motion to accept Treasurer's report made by Hambrose and seconded by Brown; motion passed.

President Osborne stated that we will bypass normal committee reports unless someone has something special to bring up. He then proposed that we increase our dues and appoint a committee to develop a proposal. Hambrose moved that a committee be formed, Houston seconded, no discussion, motion passed. The dues committee members are Hambrose, Brown, and Gibson.

Discussion was had on ways to poll the membership and/or the residents of Alligator Point on the beach renourishment and other issues. Paul Parker proposed that he could print cards to send to properties owners to poll the community's opinion. This will be done in May.

Parker reported on the actions of the TDC and the projects that they are planning to fund. Letters were sent to the County and the cities asking for projects. Parker got with Commissioner Sanders and asked her to request the projects on Alligator Point. As a result, all of the projects are funded. This includes beach cleanup, dune walkovers, and some trash pickup.

Parker moved that APTA renew the cleaning of the firehouse meeting room, Cummins seconded. After some discussion as to the appropriateness of APTA paying this, a vote was taken.

For-6, Against-2, motion passed.

Houston moved that the meeting be adjourned, Waters seconded, passed.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim R Cummins, Sec.

Members absent: Blackman, Feifer, Mensching, Munroe