

**COLLIER COUNTY
HISTORIC/ARCHAEOLOGICAL PRESERVATION BOARD (HAPB)**

**MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 15, 2023**

LET IT BE REMEMBERED, the Collier County Historic/Archaeological Preservation Board in and for the County of Collier, having conducted business herein, met on this date at 9:30 AM in REGULAR SESSION at the Collier County Growth Management Department, 2800 North Horseshoe Drive, Naples, Florida, with the following members present:

BOARD: Austin Bell, Chairman
Barry O'Brien
Janice O'Connell
Hank Sentowski
Zach Burch
Candace Johnson
Elizabeth Perdichizzi (excused)

ALSO PRESENT: Amanda Townsend, Museum Director
Tim Finn, Zoning Staff
Ray Bellows, Zoning Staff
Ailyn Padron, Management Analyst I, Zoning Division
Bennett Thomas, Verizon (zoom)
Scott Emery, Verizon (zoom)

- 1. Roll Call/Attendance**
Quorum was established.

- The entirety of Goodland is within this 8CR45 archaeological site. It's mentioned several times now in the application but it even says in the waiver request that the APE is actually within the site.
- The worry is intact strata underneath the ground and an opportunity to disturb or destroy it.
- In the old Marco area near the Old Marco Inn some years ago they found intact cultural deposits; entire bowls we're reconstructing now as part of our museum.
- Recommendation would be to deny this waiver request because it is within the boundaries of a known archaeological site.
- That would require them to have an archaeologist come out prior to digging to do a cultural assessment and get a waiver.
- Senior archaeologist, Scott Emery, (via zoom) stated if we would have to do an archaeological survey, it would require subsurface testing. In addition, if we're dealing with human remains, we would have to coordinate for any types of permits associated with dealing with any human remains that we would find if that would be the circumstance. So there is the option to do archaeological testing prior to construction activities to confirm what the existing soil profile looks like. Particularly for the deeper pole impacts to make sure there's not any buried cultural strata.
- If the waiver is denied a subsurface investigation with hand excavation/shovel test would be done.
- **Austin Bell:** Motion was made to approve the waiver with the following conditions:
 - Archaeological work that was proposed (above) be done in advance of any digging
 - An archaeologist on site during the digging
 - Receive a copy of the findings/results
 - The project cannot proceed until the Board receives and reviews the results/survey ensuring that nothing is destroyed and everything is documented in terms of any archaeological deposits; make a second recommendation at a future Board meeting – perhaps a full cultural assessment would be required

Candace Johnson: Seconds the motion.

All in favor – aye.

(b) H/A Waivers

- **Goodlette and Pine Ridge Road** open for discussion.
- **Austin Bell:** It's close to a known archaeological site but not within one.
- **Zach Burch** stated you're at the intersection of two, six lane roads. And a retention pond was dug for the road. It's very unlikely anything is still there.
- **Janice O'Connell** motion to approve waiver.
- **Barry O'Brien** seconds the motion.

All in favor – aye.

(c) Everglades Train Depot is open for discussion.

- A gentleman had been here previously to request some consideration for historic designation.

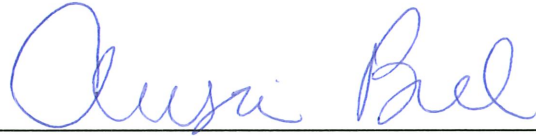
- We should try to preserve things like this. I know it's a difficult situation. We can't offer funding and that's what he (Mr. Odrey) really needs. But if there's something we can do and maybe with some stipulations that we support its potential designation assuming that it meets whatever kind of standards we want to put on it for the time period to which it's restored or obviously safety too, I'd certainly be open to some sort of whatever we can do within our jurisdiction to try to save it so that it doesn't just get torn down and replaced with a new restaurant.
- We could request staff to reach out to Mr. Odrey and request he submit an application for historic designation. We would copy the City of Everglades and bring that application for consideration to the Preservation Board, and work with him to help define the historic qualities of the site and look at what structural needs that are vital now to keep the structure up. Because it sounds like it's very close to being demolished.
- The Old Marco Inn is an example that Everglades City approved the certificate of appropriateness for that for-profit entity.
- It does impose a larger burden on the property owner structure because any improvements to the building have to be consistent with the historic preservation. It ties him into a design to help restore the building. It doesn't give any funding. It doesn't do anything else and it may eventually have to be demolished due to structural problems. So it does tie the hands of any property owner. But if he's truly interested in historic preservation, then he would want to work to save the building and comply with those guidelines.
- If the structure was in the county, the county has rules and regulations or in land development code that benefit historic structures for meeting current flood elevation requirements or other kind of requirements that would help keep any improvements consistent with the historic nature of the site. Because this is in the City of Everglades, it would be up to them to decide what would be allowed.
- Further discussion ensued regarding:
 - Grants; and may be only for the exterior
 - Open to the public
 - Writing letters of support
 - Non-profit versus for-profit
 - Philanthropic groups, families and other organizations that could possibly donate
- Motion to invite Mr. Odrey to the next meeting (virtual or in-person):
- **Janice O'Connell** made motion.
- **Austin Bell** second.
 - All in favor – aye.

(d) **Web Pages**

- Terry is a recent hire and a fantastic web guru.
- If you can look over our web site and you have suggestions that you could e-mail, we will work with Terry to make changes or we can talk about your suggestion at the next meeting and provide direction to staff.

September 15, 2023

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Austin Bell, Chairman

These minutes were approved by the Chairman of the HAPB

on 12/15/2023, (check one) as submitted _____ or as amended .