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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COLLIER COUNTY
HISTORICAL/ARCHAEOLOGICAL PRESERVATION BOARD

Naples, Florida, March 23, 2011

LET IT BE REMEMBERED, that the Collier County Historical/Archaeological Preservation Board in and for the County of Collier, having conducted business herein, met on this date at 9:15 A.M. in REGULAR SESSION at the Collier County Growth Management Division - Planning and Regulation , Conference Room 610, 2800 North Horseshoe Drive , Naples, Florida with the following members present:

CHAIRMAN: Craig Woodward
Pam Brown (excused)
William Dempsey (excused)
Patricia Huff
Sharon Kenny
Elizabeth Perdichizzi
Rich Taylor

ALSO PRESENT: Ray Bellows, Planning Manager – Zoning Services
Steve Williams, Assistant County Attorney
Glenda Smith, Budget Analyst
Kris Van Lengen, City Planner, City of Marco Island
Corey Cabral, re: Bula Mission
John Ban, re: Corkscrew Settlement

I. Roll Call/Attendance:

Chairman Craig Woodward called the meeting to order at 9:15 AM.
Roll call was taken and a quorum established.

II. Addenda to the Agenda: (1) Brochure (*Old Business*)

(2) Videos (*New Business*)

(3) Nick Penniman (*New Business*)

III. Approval of the Agenda:

Sharon Kenny moved to approve the Agenda, including the three addenda items. Second by Rich Taylor. Carried unanimously, 5-0.

IV. Approval of Minutes: February 16, 2011

Change: Page 2- Article V- Old Business A.–The 5th bulleted item is to read:

Marco Island Planning Board (not City Council)

Elizabeth Perdichizzi moved to approve the minutes of February 16, 2011, as amended. Second by Sharon Kenny. Carried unanimously, 5-0.

V. Old Business:

A. Bula Mission

Chairman Craig Woodward commented on his trip to check out and photograph the Bula Mission property. His findings were:
The property was in very bad shape; but, some of the pecky cypress boards could be salvaged to sell or given to a contractor in return for doing the demolition.

Patty Huff displayed some Paul Arsenault art prints of the Mission which could be used to replicate the structure if it could be saved. He had contacted Corey Cabral regarding its preservation. She also spoke about the Frances Hodge Community Center group and the Kids of Copeland group who would like to restore and use the building for a gathering place, if it were at all possible to save it.

Patty has initiated contacts with a Foundation for funding options. She introduced **Corey Cabral**, a state certified contractor and realtor, who provided an in-depth report of the property's condition and its possibilities.

- In his opinion, the Mission building could be repaired for historical use as a living museum, much like the Ted Smallwood property.
- It could be moved to an established site, such as the Botanical Gardens or the Marco Island Museum as an example of the construction of that era.
- He offered several suggestions among which were stripping the inside to the walls exposing the cypress, leveling the floors and installing a tin roof.

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- He was interested in salvaging the pecky cypress and southern yellow pine and offered to work on a cost basis to manage and supervise the stripping, should the decision be to demolish, repair or move the structure.

Discussion followed on estimated costs (\$30,000 to \$40,000), advertising and funding through grants and restoration groups.

Chairman Craig Woodward noted the choices the Board needed to consider:

- First idea- leave the structure in Copeland –restore it historically
- Keep its integrity and move it to a public setting –Botanical Garden or a Museum
- Demolish and use its components – exhibit as historic structure material

He will e-mail the photos of the property's current condition to Ray Bellows. State Grants for restoration and promoting the issue through local advertisements and historic preservation groups will be pursued for further discussion and final determination.

B. Interlocal Agreement Discussion

Kris Van Lengen, City Planner for the City of Marco Island discussed several points for clarification in the preparation process of the Inter-local Agreement in progress.

Background:

- Ray Bellows had provided Kris Van Lengen documentations from the County Ordinance and various forms used in the processes relating to historic and archeological determinations.
- Kris Van Lengen was in the process of interfacing them with the City of Marco Comprehensive Plan to create a template for their Ordinance.
- HAPB will create an inter-local agreement prepared by Craig Woodward and Will Dempsey.
- The City of Marco will have its own ordinance and staff to prepare presentations to the HAPB for its recommendations, which will be sent to the Marco Island City Council for approval.

Questions arose on Sec I & II –A through K of the County Ordinance dealing with mandatory requirements the City Council would prefer to be voluntary.

Ray Bellows explained the Archeological Probability Maps and Historic Structures on the Master Site File, which are utilized when platting or submitting the Site Development Plan (SDP). The County's known sites, structures and probability areas require archeological surveys and/or assessments or a waiver application approved by HAPB.

He further explained a re-zone would require compliance verification with the findings noted on the Plat/SDP.

Kris Van Lengen noted the City would be open to a *voluntary*, property owner generated, aspect in dealing with probable *historic places* rather than mandatory, as indicated in the County Ordinance.

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Sharon Kenny cautioned the City to leave open, an option for other than a property owner to seek historic/archaeological determinations.

Craig Woodward suggested a City Board be vested with the power to determine what would initiate historic and/or archeological designation presentations to HAPB for their recommendation; given the fact that all of Marco Island had already been designated an area of probability. He stated HAPB just recommends; the City of Marco would make final decisions.

The Inter-local agreement will be finalized within the next few months.

C. Brochure

Ray Bellows distributed copies of the latest Brochure/Guide, printed with funding with the help of John Torre of the Communications and Customer Relations department, an office of the County Manager. They will be distributed to the libraries and tourist offices and have a web link with various newspapers and other County and City offices.

Elizabeth Perdichizzi requested New Business Item B. Videos be discussed next since it related to the Brochure/Guide distribution opportunities.

VII. B. Videos

Elizabeth Perdichizzi informed the Board about Bill Hughes of *Bill Hughes Video Productions*, who produces videos of historic buildings and sites. She and Patty Huff were working with him in producing a tour of Everglades City, Old Marco Inn, the Smallwood Store and the 5 Museums in Collier County. The tour was currently available on Marco Island Community TV.com. She suggested HAPB work with him to video major sites in the Brochure, with commentary and links to other County sites, providing both hard copy and internet website. The board agreed and she was encouraged to approach Bill Hughes on the Brochure/video idea.

VI. No Item VI on the Agenda

VII. New Business:

A. Corkscrew Settlement

John Ban provided an insightful presentation of historical information, buildings and artifacts found on his residence, which was once the original school in the Corkscrew Settlement. He had researched the history of the area in records at the Collier County Museum, the Immokalee Museum, the Estero Historical Preservation Society and the Koreshan Society. He stated the Corkscrew Settlement was in existence in 1923 and was settled by the Whidden, Taylor, Starnes and other families. Its location is at the headwaters of the Imperial River in the Northwest Corner of Collier County, a forgotten area with an untold history tied in with the ecosystems of the County. He and his neighbors wanted to bring to light the fact that a settlement of historic significance existed and its story should be told. They were interested in historic site designation.

Patty Huff left at 10:31 am.

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Elizabeth Perdichizzi offered to check with The Archeological Society and the Craighead Lab for further information on the Whidden Mound. **Ray Bellows** will provide the forms for historic designation to Mr. Ban. **Mr. Ban** provided contact information to the staff and to HAPB.

C. Nick Penniman

Rich Taylor sought the HAPB's interest in a power point presentation by Nick Penniman, a retired publisher and researcher of the Calusa Indians, who serves on the Board of the Conservancy of SW Florida.

Rich was asked to invite Mr. Penniman to speak at the April meeting. He will request Mr. Penniman to contact Ray Bellows with audio- visual requirements.

VIII. Public Comment: NONE

IX. Board Member Announcements

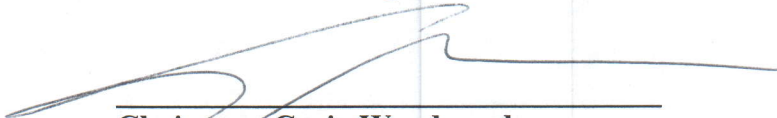
Sharon Kenny announced the City of Naples responded favorably to a special request to allow the use of office space in Old Naples homes. She also mentioned a recent web article regarding an FGCU investigation of 2,000 year old bones found in the Keys at Marathon, Florida. She will forward the article to the Members, who were not aware of that study.

Chairman Craig Woodward gave an update on the City of Marco Island Museum, showing a design layout of the Calusa Room layout depicting the village plan and the Gallery area. He announced **Dr. Robin Brown**, who has written about the Calusa Indians, will give a speech to the Marco Historical Society on April 5th at 7pm at Rose History Auditorium. He will meet with the Museum Exhibit Committee with ideas on how to best display the Calusa exhibit.

The next meeting will be held on April 20, 2011 at 9:15 AM.

There being no further business for the good of the County, the meeting was adjourned by the order of the Chair at 10:45 AM.

Historical/Archaeological Preservation Board



Chairman, Craig Woodward

These minutes approved by the Board/Committee on 6/8/11 as presented or as amended _____.