

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

Naples, Florida, September 18, 2013

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 in Conference Room #607, Collier County Growth Management Division – Planning and Regulation Building, 2800 N. Horseshoe Drive, Naples, Florida, with the following members present:

CHAIRMAN: William Dempsey (excused)
VICE CHAIRMAN: Matthew Betz
Sharon Kenny (absent)
Patricia Huff
Elizabeth Perdichizzi (excused)
Rich Taylor
Craig Woodward

ALSO PRESENT: Fred Reischl, Staff Liaison- Growth Management
Wayne Arnold, Q. Grady Minor & Associates
Elaine Reed, Naples Historical Society

I. Roll Call/Attendance

Vice Chairman Matthew Betz called the meeting to order at 9:19 A.M.
Roll call was taken and a quorum established.

II. Addenda to the Agenda -None

III. Approval of the Agenda

*Craig Woodward moved to approve the Agenda. Second by Rich Taylor.
Carried unanimously, 4-0.*

IV. Approval of the Minutes: July 19, 2013 (No meeting in August)

*Rich Taylor moved to approve the minutes of July 19, 2013, as presented.
Second by Patty Huff. Carried unanimously, 4-0.*

V. Old Business

A. Mar-Good County Park Historic Designation Update

Fred Reischl stated they were waiting for Facilities Management and Parks and Recreation to appoint a replacement contact person following the retirement of Tony Ruberto, who was formerly involved with HAPB in the Designation process.

Craig Woodward asked if there had been any contact with the Goodland Arts group regarding their interest in the cottages.

Fred Reischl suggested they contact Barry Williams, Director of Parks and Recreation, who will be appointing a replacement for Mr. Ruberto.

B. Discuss Revisions to HAPB Application Forms

Fred Reischl explained the forms were discussed at prior meetings; but, Chairman Will Dempsey had wanted them reviewed first by all Preservation Board Members and discussed at a meeting with everyone present.

The Application Forms will be postponed to next month's Agenda.

C. Smallwood Store Access Update

Patty Huff was asked to share her knowledge of what was happening on the site. She had two points to comment on.

1. She had asked Fred Reischl and Ray Bellows to contact Code Enforcement to see if they had checked on the site cleanup that was supposed to be done. She stated nothing had been done and it looked worse than ever. They were to be fined, but no fine has been given or paid. She had taken a video and will bring it to Code Enforcement documenting the current condition.

2. She gave a brief summary of the situation and what had transpired since the owners were ordered to replace the road that gave access to the site of the Smallwood Store. The road was put in, narrower than it was supposed to be. Access was still poor and debris laden.

Copies of the Settlement Agreement between Collier County and Ted

Smallwood's Store, Inc. AND Florida Georgia Grove, LLP, an Amendment to the Settlement Agreement, an Executive Summary, and a Resolution to vacate a portion of Mamie Street, a public road right-of-way, was distributed. The Settlement Agreement provides an access easement over Florida Grove, LLP property to the homeowners on Mamie Street and to the Ted Smallwood Store, a Designated Historic Site on the National Register of Historic Sites. *A Public Hearing will be held on October 22, 2013* regarding the settlement among the three parties, in which the County would give up its rights to the public road. It would become a private road with an access easement on the owner's property, with certain conditions, such as the right to move the road.

Patty Huff noted the Smallwood Family had no money to pursue a lengthy court case and were forced to go the settlement route. Other affected neighbors and the Parkway Village Association had sent letters of complaint regarding the access situation, which Patty read. All were opposed to vacating the public road, citing emergency vehicle access, maintenance and safety concerns.

Patty Huff's contention was that:

- The Judge had said it was a public road.
- It had been a public road for over 100 years.
- A road to a National Historic site had been blocked.
- HAPB should take a position to stand by its mission of protecting and preserving historic sites and not accept the County's position of dropping the ball.

She stated there was no reason to vacate public access to a Nationally Designated Historic Site. And it should be a public, not private road.

Craig Woodward briefly reviewed the documents and questioned what the HAP Board's involvement should be. Discussion followed.

Matthew Betz was concerned with what had been done to the whole property, located on Chokoloskee Island, an archeological site that Florida Georgia Grove has totally destroyed without repercussions. Moving the road and doing more construction will cause even more destruction being done. Though they should go through the Planning Dept. and then a HAPB review, **Matthew** had doubts, stating they had disregarded anything they were supposed to do. He recommend as part of the vacation resolution, adding a condition that any site work would have to come before the HAPB.

Craig Woodward moved that a letter be sent to the County Commissioners, to include, as part of the Resolution to vacate the road, a provision that if any future road is changed, moved or developed care will be taken with the archaeology that is already on the Florida Georgia Grove property. And, a reminder that the developer be required to submit any changes, development or construction for review by HAPB. Second by Rich Taylor. Carried 4-0.

Patty Huff requested the addition of the statement:

The HAPB recommends retaining the public road, rather than using a private easement to a Historical site that is on the National Register of Historical Sites.

*Craig Woodward amended his motion to include the additional statement
Rich Taylor amended his Second. Motion carries, 4-0.*

D. Horse Creek Estates Historic Designation Update

Fred Reischl asked this item be tabled to the next meeting.

E. Old Marco Inn Certificate of Appropriateness Update

Fred Reischl stated he had not received anything new on this item

Craig Woodward offered to contact Joe Irwin for an update on the Old Marco Inn status. The contractor had been working on another part of the project and the Café Restaurant which was completed. Craig suggested this item be tabled until next meeting when he will have more information,

F. Review Revised Historic Guide (handout)

Patty Huff submitted a few more correction to the Historic Guide. She included a change to #2 Historic Palm Cottage offered by Elaine Reed from the Naples Historical Society, who thanked Patty for the change.

Craig Woodward had made a list and explanation of the changes. The numbers changed were: Numbers 2, 9, 10, 13, 20, 21, 30, 31b, 35, 38.

These were explained in the handout. Discussion of the changes followed.

Craig suggested the Naples Historical Society may want to help publicize the Guide and have some suggestions for funding.

He also suggested the various Historical Societies put in monies; then ask the County to match it. Costs and the number of copies would need to be determined.

Patty Huff supported putting the funding into the County Budget for next year, along with money for signs to put on the sites.

VI. New Business

A. Willow Run PUD – Cultural Assessment Waiver Application

Wayne Arnold, from Q. Grady Minor and Associates, P.A. provided several maps and overlays explaining the project and pointing out areas of proposed development. He noted the roads, preserve and wetland areas. The Application also contained a letter from the State Historic Preservation Officer stating there were no archeological, historical or cultural resources likely to be impacted within the parcel. A brief period of questions and answers followed.

Craig Woodward moved to recommend approval of the Cultural Assessment Waiver. Second by Patty Huff. Carried unanimously, 4-0.

B. Consideration of the Application for Reappointment and New Member

Fred Reischl informed the HAPB members that re-application for service

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on the HAPB by Craig Woodward and Elizabeth Perdichizzi was due. Craig stated he had re-applied. Elizabeth Perdichizzi did not re-apply. Other persons had applied. Elaine Reed, who was present, had indicated at the last meeting she was interested in applying.

Fred Reischl said a request could be made to the Commissioners to extend the application period to consider all interested parties.

Craig Woodward moved to recommend extending the application period, and to re-advertise the open position, as others had expressed interest in applying. Second by Rich Taylor. Carried unanimously, 4-0.

Patty Huff moved to recommend approval of the re-appointment of Craig Woodward to the Historical Archaeological Preservation Board. Second by Rich Taylor. Carried unanimously, 4-0.

VII. Public Comments

Elaine Reed, Executive director of the Naples Historical Society, had some questions and comments.

She asked for a State contact person to obtain more information on Certified Local Governments. She explained her interest was for the City of Naples, which was reviewed at one time; but, discontinued due to uncertainty of all the ramifications to the City. Now there was a renewed effort for preserving historic sites. Also, she wanted to find out if the City was already A Certified Local Government by virtue of being part of Collier County, which is a Certified Local Government.

Fred Reischl stated Michael Zinney was the Dept. of State person to contact.

Craig Woodward explained the problem lies with each of the municipalities that govern by their own City laws, not those of the County. There was no Historical Ordinance to protect anything. The HAPB was working to provide a prototype inter-local agreement with the County to for all City governments to adopt and join in to protect all of the County's assets.

Elaine Reed asked for clarification of the HAPB's commitment to their mission regarding archeological reviews and new development on preserved land and historic sites.

Matthew Betz responded that the HAPB's commitment was to protect Collier County's interest in the archeology and history of the County itself; and, access to and awareness of what is here.

As to new developments, HAPB makes sure what the plans are; and, makes sure any archaeology, historic sites, buildings or structures are protected and reviewed so as not to destroy or disrupt them.

Elaine Reed expressed interest in being part of the HAPB, stating her qualifications would be an asset to the Boards mission. She asked to be put on the mailing list to receive public information.

Fred Reischl stated her name had been added to the mailing list last month.

VIII. Board Member Announcements

Patty Huff asked if the next meeting date could be changed. Everyone checked their schedules and agreed to the 30th of October.

Craig Woodward moved to approve changing the date of the next HAPB meeting from October 16, 2013 to October 30, 2013. Second by Rich Taylor. Carried unanimously, 4-0.

Patty Huff announced:

- The Rob Storter Exhibit traveled to Orlando to the Mennello Museum. There was a large reception for the exhibit, attended by 150 people, including several family members of Rob Storter. The exhibit was sponsored by Friends of the Museum of the Everglades.
- September 28, 2013 will be the Blessing of the Stone Crab Fleet from 1-4PM
- Also on the 28th, National Estuary Day at Rookery Bay, AND National Museum Day from 11 AM to 4 PM at all of the County's Museums.
- All Everglades City's restaurants will be open by October 15th.

Craig Woodward announced a new Curator, Austin Bell, had been hired and was doing a great job.

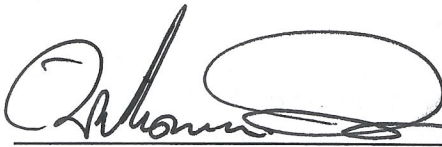
There was a brief review of the projects spreadsheet and comments on its helpfulness.

A motion to adjourn was made by Craig Woodward, with a Second by Rich Taylor. Motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

The next scheduled meeting will be October 30, 2013 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 10:35 A.M.

Historical/Archaeological Preservation Board


 Vice Chairman, ~~Matthew Betz~~
 William J. Roupsek

These minutes were approved by the Board/Committee on 10/30/13
as presented _____, or as amended X _____.