

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

Naples, Florida, June 17, 2015

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 Community Development Services Division
Conference room #610, 2800 N. Horseshoe Drive, Naples, Florida with the
following members present:

CHAIRMAN: Craig Woodward (excused)
VICE CHAIRMAN: Sharon Kenny
Eileen Arsenault
Eugene Erjavec
Patricia Huff
Elizabeth Perdichizzi
Rich Taylor (excused)

ALSO PRESENT: Ray Bellows, Planning Manager - Zoning Services
Fred Reischl, Staff Liaison, Growth Management Division

Eric Johnson, Zoning Services
Elaine Reed, Executive Director, Naples Historical Society

I. Roll Call/Attendance:

Vice-Chairman Sharon Kenny called the meeting to order at 9:20 A.M.

Roll Call was taken. A quorum was present.

II. Addenda to the Agenda:

Fred Reischl announced *Item 6. A under New Business* would be moved to the September 16, 2015 Agenda. Sunshine Law expert, Colleen Green, will be the presenter.

III. Approval of Agenda

Elizabeth Perdichizzi moved to approve the Agenda, as amended. Second by Eileen Arsenault. Carried unanimously, 5-0.

IV. Approval of Minutes: May 20, 2015

Correction: Item VIII. Board Member Announcements

The first sentence is to read: *Eugene Erjavec asked to have the burial grounds project put on the next Agenda.*

Eileen Arsenault moved to recommend approval of the minutes of May 20, 2015, as amended. Second by Elizabeth Perdichizzi. Carried unanimously, 5-0.

V. Old Business:

A. Old Marco Inn Certificate of Appropriateness

Eugene Erjavec reported on the meeting held with Craig Woodward, two officials of the City of Marco Island, representatives of the landowner, the contractor and architect. The discussion revolved around the various plans for portions of the property, including demolition of some later addition to the Old Marco Inn; bringing back to life some of the Inn's original features. A map and design plan was discussed at that meeting. The intent was to keep the original building, restoring it to what it was, while creating more outside dining area. Many issues were brought into play regarding the historic nature, local Historic Designation, flood plain, ordinances involved and many other items.

Eugene noted it was an informative meeting for all in attendance and laid the groundwork for further needed discussions.

Sharon Kenny reminded Eugene of the difficulty of keeping the Sunshine Law when two members of the same committees were together.
Eugene replied he was aware; and would keep that fact in mind.

Elizabeth Perdichizzi commented the Old Marco Inn was on a historically designated site and therefore certain conditions regarding remodeling or demolishing should be followed. She asked which rooms were added.

Eugene Erjavec stated additions had taken place over the years, including the dining room and two larger rooms. Craig Woodward had provided the discussion group with many historical facts, pictures and background information of the site and the hotel which he had gathered and researched over the years. There were several issues that will need addressing regarding the historical nature of the hotel and the whole site. There will be further meetings, according to Eugene; everything is just in the planning stages.

Elaine Reed, of the Naples Historical Society, asked to speak on the issue. She asked the following:

1. What was the flood elevation level?

Eugene responded it was being looked into. There were issues that may interfere with the planned design. The elevation would probably need to be brought up. The City of Marco will be researching that aspect.

2. Would they be changing the footprint?

Eugene responded they spoke about eliminating the new addition; and, of adding outdoor eating, a food prep area and features to accommodate the tenants of the two taller buildings.

3. Was any state of Federal monies received? If not, there may be better opportunities to bypass certain State/Federal criteria.

Eugene Erjavec responded that topic was not brought up at the meeting, to his knowledge; but, the officials will be considering all options in future discussion.

Ray Bellows explained the Certificate of Appropriateness required by the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance, accepted by the City of Marco at their incorporation, to utilize the County's HAPB until (if and when) they establish their own Historical/Archaeological Preservation Board.

He will follow-up with Craig Woodward

Patty Huff noted the Everglades City Historical Society has tried to mark properties of historical significance and had succeeded in many places, However, without an interlocal agreement their significance can be lost through indiscriminate development and renovation; or, if the City does not agree on the preservation. The same applies to the City of Marco Island.

Eugene Erjavec agreed that some sort of agreement, ordinance or order was needed to address the means to preserve the history, artifacts and cultural heritage of Collier County before it is all destroyed; an action that has been neglected far too long.

He cited an instance whereby environmentalists halted a sewer tap-in project that had no archaeological assessment done; and, was right next door to the grave sites at the burial grounds. Were there mechanisms in place with guidelines to follow, that type of incident would not have happened.

Elizabeth Perdichizzi asked to put the Interlocal Agreement topic on the September 16, 2015 Agenda, giving time over the summer to work on it.

Elaine Reed commented on the difficulties in establishing an Interlocal agreement without a mechanism to make approvals and be acknowledged by the State of Florida. Collier County is a Certified Local Government; the City of Marco, Everglades City and the City of Naples are not. To have people in those areas abide by and have agreement within the community to develop their own architectural style would need to be community driven. She noted what would fit in Marco Island may not be a good fit in Naples or in Everglades City. She offered to share what the Naples Historical Society's 15-member roundtable discussions group was working on. They all have their own decision making entities. They are checking facts and working on both a State and National level to implement simple guidelines that will work and everyone will agree to abide by; just like in condominium communities. She will keep the HAPB posted on the progress.

B. Cultural Resource Assessment for the Rockedge PUD

Ray Bellows stated Eric Johnson from Zoning Services, had recently taken over the Rockedge project and was present to answer any questions the HAPB might have. The HAPB were asked to agree with, question, modify and/or approve the Certified Archaeologist's recommendations in the Cultural Resource Assessment for the Rockedge re-zone project.

Fred Reischl explained the rezone was for a change of access point, which required a PUD Amendment. He then read the recommendations for Phase One and Phase Two. Maps were produced and the HAPB members reviewed the proposals along with the layout of the project, discussing and asking several questions. *Upon request by Vice-Chairman, Sharon Kenny, Fred Reischl read all the recommendation of the Certified Archaeologist.*

Eugene Erjavec moved to recommend acceptance of the Rockedge PUD Cultural Resource Assessment and support of its recommendations. And, further, if any impact is found in Phase Two, further studies will be made. Second by Elizabeth Perdichizzi. Carried unanimously, 5-0.

VI. New Business

A. Sunshine Law Presentation (Postponed to September 16, 2015 meeting)

B. Indian Hill Issue {Marco Island burial ground}

Eugene Erjavec reported on the discovery of an over one thousand year old burial ground on an approximate 2 acres of land purchased to build a home, During the due diligence process, it was found to be adjacent to a cemetery. However, much of the property showed many areas of disturbances. The findings have been reviewed by many agencies and recommendations been suggested for what the owner can do with the property. It will be constantly monitored by several agencies, local, State and Federal. Gene will keep HAPB abreast of any forthcoming information regarding the property.

Elizabeth Perdichizzi moved to add the Marco Island burial grounds to the Active portion of the Tracking Log. Second by Patricia Huff.

Carried unanimously, 5-0.

The HAPB agreed that the issues discussed at today's meeting point clearly to the need for an interlocal agreement. Or, at least an official recognition that the HAPB be part of the other cities' Ordinances.

Prior to moving on to the next Agenda Item, Patty Huff offered some corrections and comments on the Project & Activity Tracking Log.

Noted on the Tacking Log's HAPB/STAFF COMMENTS column:

1. On number 2. Bula Mission – She would like to add: *The mission was demolished in 1993*
2. On number 15. Ted Smallwood Store – *THE BCC date should be 9/13/93*
3. On number 16 & 17 Weaver Station is *named twice. Needs Renumbering*
4. On number 18. 318 Mamie Street Historic Designation– She would like to **add the reason for the decision** not to go forward with the Historic Designation. *Either -Due to opposition of owner or the Bert Harris Act.* She suggested these explanations would clarify and make clearer the outcomes of each item. They could also be put in a footnote or cite a reference to the Minutes in which the item was resolved.

VII. Public Comments: NONE

VIII. HAPB Member Comments

Eileen Arsenault announced an event - Calusa Crossing on the summer solstice – **Saturday at 6:30 PM, 801 12th Ave S. Bill Marquardt will be speaking at 7 PM.** (The building is schedules to be demolished to make way for luxury condos.)

Patty Huff announced the **June 27th “4th of July Celebration”** starting at 10 AM. There will be Parades and Fireworks - Arts and Crafts.

Betsy Perdichizzi announced she will be conducting a Historical Tour on June 22. In July, at the 7 PM meeting of the Fort Myers Genealogy Society, she will be speaking on the Olds Family.

A reminder- the summer meeting schedule was to forego the July and August meetings and reconvene in September. The next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at 9:15AM.

*Patricia Huff moved to adjourn. Second by Eileen Arsenault.
Carried unanimously 5-0.*

There being no further business for the good of the County, the meeting was adjourned by order of the chair at 10:37 A.M.

These minutes approved by Board/Committee on 9/16/15 as presented _____ or as amended X.