

Little Gasparilla Island Advisory Committee
Minutes - February 12, 2010
Corrected

- Call to Order, Roll Call and Introduction of New Board Members
 - Bob Hill called the meeting to order and noted that all were present except Don Oleson.
 - Bob introduced Dan Butler as the newly appointed LGIAC Member at Large, replacing Rande Ridenour. He also noted that Paul Holmes representing the LGPOA, Carey Beychok representing Placida Beach Condominium Association and Barry Hurt Member at Large were reappointed to the LGIAC. Copies of the appointment letters from Charlotte County Government are attached.

- Minutes from January Meeting
 - Paul Holmes noted that the breakdown of votes regarding the MSBU needed to be corrected. He then made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected and Barry Hurt gave the second. The motion carried.

- Introduction of Guests
 - There were no new guests present.

- Old Business
 - A. Report from Dock Subcommittee - Tom McCoy gave an update and stated that the Dock Committee met with members from DEP on January 21, 2010 for the purpose of identifying the problems on LGI that need to be addressed. Summary Notes from this meeting are attached. DEP said they would be thinking about possible solutions and the Dock Committee noted that they would gather specifics on each dock, easement, etc. for the DEP. The next meeting between DEP and the Dock Committee was set for February 19, 2010. Bob Hill sent a letter of thanks to DEP and outlined the DEP issues as the Dock Committee understood them. Bob Hill asked for questions and Dan Butler asked for clarification on what the DEP saw as a change to a dock. Tom McCoy stated that DEP considered a change to be any change to the dock footprint and showed the DEP color coded aerial map they had been working on. Paul Holmes asked if DEP was taking into account the number of docks/residents when the island is fully built, Tom McCoy said they were making sure DEP was aware of these figures.
 - B. Report from Fire and EMFR Committee - Midge O'Hara gave an update on EMFR and the LGIFR.
 - 1. MSBU Formation - Midge O'Hara reported that the number of parcels identified by the county for MSBU purposes was still being tweaked due to different circumstances. The number of parcels currently identified is 772 but still evolving. The Budget was figured at 741 parcels. Midge O'Hara read a letter that the committee will be asking Tara Musselman to send to applicable property owners regarding adjacent lots that were homesteaded as one property but were not yet platted as one lot.

A copy of this letter is attached. Bob Hill stated that the LGIAC would recommend that Tara Musselman send the letters to owners that would be affected by this. Discussion was held regarding replatting.

- On January 26, 2010 in a 5-0 affirmative vote, Charlotte County voted to set up the MSBU. Charlotte County and the newly elected Fire Board (when elected) will sign a contract regarding EMFR on LGI. After the new fire board is elected they will serve as the advisory committee for the MSBU.
 - 2. New Corporate Bylaws - Midge O'Hara stated that the new LGIFR bylaws would be posted on their website.
 - 3. Elections for the new LGIFR board are pending. Plans are being discussed regarding a Candidates Forum. Midge O'Hara explained that the ballots would consist of a certification letter and a separate ballot and would be counted by a neutral person for autonomy. LGPOA offered \$1000 to help with the mailing of the ballots. LGPOA previously paid \$2000 for the survey mailings. Midge said she would help the new LGIFR board in any way needed.
 - 4. Status of Grant - The grant will be accepted upon a request for reimbursement. Carolyn Dupree asked if it was possible to hire the island fire personnel now so we could get the grant in place. It was explained that recruiting and advertising had begun so the new board will have a head start on the process but funding is an issue at this time because revenues from the MSBU won't come in until December or January so current outlay is limited until that time.
- New Business
 - A. Meeting of Bylaws Committee - Carolyn Dupree, Paul Holmes and Roxann Read to meet the first week in March.
 - B. Community Plan - Bob Hill read items to be addressed by the LGIAC and noted that the zoning issues had been completed by the committee previously. Roxann Read said they were awaiting response from DCA and the county hoped to adopt the zoning by the end of the year, as the adoption of the zoning is dependent on the revision of the county code.
 - Bob Hill read some of the issues pending: 1. Docks - will be working on this year. Barry Hurt asked if the DEP had a time line and was told they did not. 2. Reduction in the number of platted lots on LGI. 3. Mainland parking and boat slips. 4. Evaluate north/south island access. Beyond Marsh St. there is no north/south access. 5. Water quality especially on the north end of LGI. 6. Native habitat, eliminate exotic species.
 - Time and Location of Next Meeting
 - The next meeting of the LGIAC will be held on Saturday March 13, 2010 at 10 a.m. at the Placida Beach Clubhouse or its adjacent lot.
 - Adjournment
 - The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.