

MINUTES, June 25, 2008: Manasota and Sandpiper Key Advisory Committee

The meeting was called to order at 9:40AM by BJ Galberaith, Chairman. In attendance were Committee members Betty Sue Carroll, John Dubowik, BJ Galberaith, and Steve Stump. Roxann Read from Growth Management and one member of the community were also present.

Secretary's Report

The minutes were accepted as published.

Citizen Input

None

Architectural Review Committee

BJ Galberaith met with the builder of a house planned for Lemon Bay Pointe Drive. There appeared to be nothing planned that would violate the Overlay Code.

Old Business

Betty Sue Carroll summarized the events of the public hearing on the County's PD Revision. Although the BCC had expected to vote on the PD revision at the June 24 session, there was an alternative suggestion presented by a coalition of citizens' and developers' groups. Their compromise would keep the standing PD document in place, but it would add a section allowing some instances of higher buildings offset by an equivalent area of unencumbered greenspace. The added height would not be allowed on barrier islands, keys or in the Manasota & Sandpiper overlay district. The Commissioners will vote on both versions of the PD on July 8, 2008. Ms Carroll provided copies of the "compromise" ordinance draft to the Committee.

Roxann Read distributed copies of a draft of the entire Overlay Code, which incorporated items agreed upon at the last meeting. Among other things, this draft added tables detailing setbacks for each zoning district, corrected some misleading verbiage, and highlighted several "housekeeping" items. She asked everyone to go over the draft carefully, comparing it with the standing Overlay Code, to be sure nothing has slipped through the cracks during this restructuring. On July 2, the Committee should be ready to vote on a final draft to send forward to the Legal Department.

New Business and Other

Manasota Key Realty has requested a permit for an existing sign at Holiday and Shoreview. The Committee voted to recommend denial because off-premise class B signs are not permitted in residential areas and because code compliance inspection has determined that the sign interferes with the line of sight for traffic.

The Gulf Breeze condominium manager and one owner have contacted ARC about a swimming pool.

The County Administrator has requested a meeting with SMKA or MASKAC to discuss sales tax issues. Steve Stump will contact him and possibly suggest a mailing/emailing, since most residents are currently out of town or on vacation.

Special Reports and Administration

The McDaniels lawsuit has been settled out of court.

MSTU expressed concern about designing, funding, and arranging building of newspaper kiosks.

Steve Stump requested articles and/or notices for the July SMKA newsletter.

Wayne Largent extended an invitation to join a group from Englewood Beach Villas for a 4th of July cruise to view the fireworks at Middle Beach. Cost would be \$20 per person – possibly less, if the boat is full.

Committee/Citizen/Advisor Comments

None

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m. The next meeting will be July 2, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Sue Carroll, Secretary