

SOUTH GULF COVE COMMUNITY PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

JULY 26, 2012 from 10 AM - NOON  
18500 MURDOCK CIRCLE, ROOM B207

Sandy Slater, April Chattinger and Larry Harrod were in attendance from the SGC Advisory Committee. Roxanne Read attended as staff. Also in attendance were Karen Price – Beautification MSBU and Todd Felts from Weiler Engineering.

Chairperson, Sandy Slater called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

Election of officers took place. Sandy was elected as Chairperson, April as Vice-Chair and Larry as Secretary.

**Approval of Minutes:** The May 10, 2012 meeting minutes were amended and approved. April made the motion to approve and Larry seconded.

**Staff Comments:** Roxann informed the committee about a recent Florida Neighborhoods Conference that she attended in July in Pensacola. Since next year's conference will be in Bradenton, she encouraged Sandy and others in South Gulf Cove to consider attending and presenting at the conference. Sandy inquired if the \$50 registration fee would be paid by the county and Roxann said she would check into this.

**Committee Reports:** April reported that there was no report from Public Safety and Health. There may be a report in the fall from Chief Didio. Pedestrian Bikeways and Cove Connector – the restrictions on the Streets & Drainage MSBU covering the bike paths was discussed and the fact that the MSBU has \$1.6 million. Karen Ireland is exploring alternatives to allow the MSBU to help pay for bike paths. Mr. Halfhill has stated that all MSBU ordinances will be readdressed to make them more uniform. Cove Connector held their fundraiser last night at Visani and raised \$600. 24 trees have been planted in July in easements with 8 volunteers to take care of them. More fundraisers are planned for October and March 2013. The community has been recertified as a Firewise Community but there has been poor communication between the community and the Dept. of Forestry over the past few months. April stated that the CERT program is still active and that all volunteers have been recertified for CPR and Red Cross for another 2 years.

Sandy reported on the public meeting that was held in May about the widening of CR771. There was concern that no public input was allowed. They are encouraging South Gulf Cove residents to submit their input through the survey on the County's website. Sandy reported that the option of right turn lanes will depend on available cueing space. She reported that the boat ramp park was almost finished and restroom repairs are being done.

Larry will begin collecting information on existing stormwater conditions to determine if actions are needed. He was referred to Joanne Vernon for further information concerning stormwater. Roxann will forward specific stormwater policies concerning South Gulf Cove to Larry and will also advise him on the Special Surface Water Protection District. Larry was informed that the Lakewatch project was still active and that the SGC Waterways MSBU pays for water quality testing. Sandy will obtain contacts and available water quality reports for Larry.

Sandy discussed the upcoming sunset review. In May of 2008, the advisory committee was renewed for another five years, which will require another sunset review in May of 2013. The committee is hosting quarterly meetings with the other six SGC organizations and MSBU advisory committees to discuss remaining actions in the SGC Community Plan. A town hall meeting is planned for the Feb-March 2013 time frame to discuss the Plan's recommendations and the committee's possible sunset. Sandy stated that if the committee is looking at sunsetting, there would be no need to advertise for the two vacant positions. She feels that it would be difficult to get new people on the board if there were not specific tasks for them to do and the committee agreed.

**New Business:** Pam Curtis is investigating incorporating South Gulf Cove into a city and will be hosting a meeting on Sept. 6 at the SGC pavilion to share information with the community and entertain questions.

**Public Comments:** Karen Price stated that a workshop to discuss Medina Park and the Linear Park landscaping will be held at 9:30 am on Aug. 16 at the SGC pavilion. Todd explained that he was visiting to gather information and explained his role with Stock Development, Quality Mine and the future reclamation plans.

**Next Meeting:** August 30, 2012 6-8PM, 8300 Wiltshire Drive, Suite 3, SGC.

**Adjournment:** 12:25 pm

  
Sandy Slater, Chair