

## BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Palm Island Estates Homeowners Association  
Board Meeting

April 6, 2009

Firehouse

Attending: Board Members Don Milroy, Ken Conner, Kim Peacock, Jack MacArthur, Jackie York, Kevin Mackin, Carol Peterson, Pat Bieneman, Pat Gordon, Rose Malone, Robin Madden, and Suzy Kett.

Don called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm. Minutes for the March board meeting were accepted with a correction to the spelling of Ken Conner's name.

Treasurer's Report was accepted after discussion of why D & O Insurance is so much higher than in past years and why the income tax preparation charge by the accountants doubled from last year.

### OLD BUSINESS:

- House numbering. Pat B. brought in the sample sign that was made by Signs in One Day. The price had increased from \$25 quoted in the spring to \$26 without painting of the post. Kevin will have his sign vendor bid out the sign, as well.
- Community Bulletin Board. Jack, Ken, and Don will move the two bulletin boards after Curtis finishes taking down the Australian pine trees at the corner.
- County Landscaping on both sides of bridge not being maintained. The area has been mowed since the last meeting. Also, the eroded area behind the native garden at the ferry landing has been fixed by the county.
- Speeding on Gulf Boulevard. The unmanned sheriff's car, which is being moved from place to place on the island, seems to be helping. Don will get the info on the speed bumps installed at the Boca Grande Bridge this coming week. Don will also talk to Dean Beckstead to see if he can add information to his check-in package that the island speed limits are enforced. Also, he will explore whether signage to that effect can be put on the barge or at the mainland waiting area.
- Blind intersection corner S Gulf Blvd/Gulf Blvd. Jack and Bob Bergman will cut back the shrubbery on the NW corner.
- Margaritaville party. The board voted to cancel the party for this year. Since we could not book the venue until May, and many people are leaving early, we felt that the turnout would not be strong.
- Upgrade web site software / email attachments. The developer promised Kim it would be done shortly two weeks ago; however, he has not had time. Kim

will continue to pester him.

- Renaming South Gulf Blvd. The vote by owners on South Gulf Blvd to change the name did not pass – 80% voted against the change. The board felt that the county letter explaining the name change was not well-written, and that we should revisit the name change with homeowners in the future.
- Emergency off-island transportation. Although Don had not contacted Bill to come to our meeting to explain the emergency procedures, Carol explained what she knows about the criteria used to decide whether or not to medi-vac patients in emergency situations. The criteria used by first responders when there is a fall include the age of the individual, blood loss, loss of consciousness, distance fallen, physical condition of the individual. The fire department on the mainland has to actually order the medi-vac. Helicopters come from either Lee County or Tampa, and the patients are taken to trauma hospitals in the same locations. Heart attack victims are not medi-vac'd. We have better services locally and the victim can be brought to those services more quickly without use of helicopters. Stroke victims are sometimes medi-vac'd depending again on specific criteria.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

- Easter Breakfast. Don asked for volunteers to help set up for the Easter breakfast at 4:00 on Friday and for cooks and servers to meet at Patsy Bowen's at 7:00 on Sunday a.m. Bob Madden and Stu will check out the electrical capacity at Patsy's home. Rose will put up a sign at her home, which was the location of the Easter breakfast the past few years.
- Fire Department requests.
  1. PIE has been asked to clean/wax the floors of the firehouse community room. Carol will find out who did in the past.
  2. We have been asked to purchase a projector that hooks into a PC for use in training. Don will talk to Bill Peterson for more specifics and check out pricing.

Don adjourned the meeting at 5:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Bieneman  
Secretary