# P.I.E BOARD MEETING MINUTES January Meeting held on January 30, 2011 Station #10 Firehouse 1:00PM

Present: Cathy Crowe, Pat Bieneman, Robin Madden, Suzy Kett, Ken Conner, Don Milroy, Kim Peacock, Kevin Mackin, Donna Bright, Pat Gordon, Kevin Stevens, Jeff Minett

Absent: Gay Carrozo, Rose Malone

The meeting was called to order at 2:15 PM by President, Don Milroy.

Officers for 2011 are as follows: President, Don Milroy, Vice President, Suzy Kett, Secretary, Cathy Crowe, Treasurer, Pat Gordon.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the December meeting, held on December 6, 2010.

Pat Gordon asked the Board to provide input regarding the budget. Treasurer's Report was discussed in the Annual Meeting.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Committee reports are as follows:

<u>Membership Directory vs. Paid Memberships</u>: (no report) Kim advised she would work with Rose or whomever would be working on this. The list, minutes and new officer information will be sent to Don to update the website.

WHPP: Report given in Annual Meeting.

Friends of P.I.E: Report given in Annual Meeting.

Don Milroy again discussed the letter received from Bob Pierce, Executive Director of the Palm Island Civic Association, regarding safety issues and vegetation on N. Gulf Blvd and his response to that letter (see attached). It is unclear at this time what their next steps will be.

The process for securing officer candidates and the mailing of the letter for the Annual Meeting and membership renewal was discussed. It seems that it is always rushed due to the on going focus on Art in the Palms. It was decided that the Board will start this discussion and process at the October meeting.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

The money from Century Link to landscape and paint their space on s Gulf Blvd will be coming through PIE. All of the specifics of how the money will be spend is not known at this time, however, Islandscapers will do the planting themselves and will determine how the bigger trees will be planted soon. A motion was made, seconded and approved to provide the money to Islandscapers for the project. They will keep us in the loop on how they will proceed and how the money will be used.

The next meeting will be held on March 7, 2011 at 5:00pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:42 PM.

Minutes submitted by Robin Madden, Secretary.

Attachments

#### PALM ISLAND CIVIC ASSOCIATION, AT



Your Island

YOUR TIME

YOUR MEMORIES

November 30, 2010

Mr. Donald Milroy President, Palm Island Estates Placida, FL 33946

Dear Mr. Milroy,

On November 18, 2010 our Civic Association had their fall meeting. The subject of vegetation and other obstacles creating a very serious safety problem along the paved road between the Resort and the Ferry Landing was discussed again. As you know, this concern was formally brought to your attention and to the attention of Palm Island Estates members in the fall of 2009. At that time, the county could have surveyed the road at an unbudgeted charge of \$7,300.00 to the Don Pedro/Knight Island MSTU. The road right of way would then have been cleared approximately twenty feet on each side of the pavement at an additional expense to the MSTU.

This would alleviate the safety concerns but would create probably more clearance of obstructions than necessary. The County would agree to not impose the mandatory removal of these safety obstructions on their property all the way to the right of way line if the residents could agree, in writing, to a lesser amount of footage to be cleared, such as possibly five feet.

To date, at least to our knowledge, nothing has been done and a year has elapsed. The good news is that no one has been killed or seriously injured due to this serious safety issue but, a new season is upon us and the road will again be over crowded with joggers, walkers, bicycles, golf carts as well as large trucks.

Please let our Civic Association know of your intentions in the near future.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Palm Island Civic Association

Robert L. Pierce

**Executive Director** 

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## Palm Island Estates Association, Inc. P.O. Box 5244 Grove City, FL 35224-5244

December 15, 2010

Mr. Robert Pierce Executive Director Palm Island Civic Association 7092 Placida Rd. Cape Haze, FL 33946

Dear Mr. Pierce:

I received your letter dated November 30, 2010 regarding the Palm Island Civic Association's safety concerns on N. Gulf Blvd.

Last year when you raised the issue I personally observed and documented (see the enclosed photos) the section of N. Gulf Blvd that you pointed out as being unsafe.

There are a total of 59 lots that border the East or West sides of N. Gulf Blvd. Of those 59 lots, 26 have homes built on them and 33 are vacant. It is my personal opinion that only 13 of those 59 lots contain vegetation or other obstructions (fences, etc.) that could present a safety problem for pedestrians.

I presented your letter and these findings to the P.I.E. Board of Directors who voted unanimously to not engage P.I.E. in an issue, which the Board feels is between the Resort Civic Association and the individual owners of those 13 lots. Further, the Board does not want P.I.E. in any way to mediate a "settlement" regarding the amount of footage to be cleared. And finally, the Board is not in favor of using MSBU funds to survey the entire length of N. Gulf Blvd.

Many of the P.I.E. Board members feel that if your Civic Association personally contacts the owners of lots with a potential safety issue, that when faced with the alternative of mass clearing of the right of way in front of their property, they will cooperate with your efforts.

Sincerely, Palm Island Estates Association, Inc.

Donald W. Milroy President