

MINUTES
FORT MYERS BEACH
Community Resource Advisory Board (CRAB)
Town Hall – Council Chambers
2523 Estero Boulevard
Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931

Thursday, December 4, 2014

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Chair Greer. Members present: Corky Condon, Miffie Greer, Bobbi Kemp, Carla Mandel, and Keri Weeg.
Excused: Olga Carballo and Elizabeth D'Onofrio Halladay.
Council Liaison: Dan Andre
Staff present: Belinda Smith

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of November 6, 2014

Tabled for next meeting.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

V. UPDATES ON WORK LIST

Beach Accesses

- Memorial Bench Donations and Regulations - Ms. Mandel shared information about a memorial program in Michigan. Mr. Andre suggested a memorial garden in Times Square. Discussion was held regarding color, costs, letters in the bench as opposed to a plaque, and charges related to shipping, concrete, and installation. The cost was determined to be \$500.00 per bench plus lettering and the color chosen was natural. Ms. Weeg offered to write an article for the newspaper.

- Public Education - Beach Leadership on February 27-28, 2015

Chair Greer reviewed the 2013 schedule. Discussion was held concerning budget, speakers, topics, time slots, and Saturday's schedule. Ms. Weeg will take care of publicity, Chair Greer will manage registration, Ms. Kemp will be in charge of food, and each CRAB member will be responsible for contacting specific speakers. Chair Greer offered to contact Ms. Spuhler for timekeeper.

- Special Event Permitting Process Review - Chair Greer revealed she met with Bud Nocera and he provided suggestions for changing the process. Discussion was held regarding on-line applications, listing fees ahead of time, and waiving permits for events that provide an economic benefit for the community. Mr. Copeland explained the current permitting process for recurring

events. Mr. Andre reviewed potential negative consequences affiliated with small changes in recurring events and he mentioned the possibility of waiving fees for non-profits by making the Town part of the sponsorship. Discussion was held concerning insurance requirements.

- Community Garden - on hold.

VI. CRAB MEMBER ITEMS & REPORTS

Mr. Andre mentioned rooftop community gardens and he reminded members that Matanzas Pass Preserve has an adopt-a-tree program.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Ms. Mandel moved to adjourn; second by Ms. Condon.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 4:21 p.m.

Adopted Feb. 5, 2015 with without changes. Motion by Keri Wiley
(DATE)

Vote: 5-0 Signature: Miffie Green

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