

PINE RIDGE CIVIC ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Covenant Presbyterian Church Room 230

June, 20, 2017 -- 5:30 - 7:50 PM

Board members present: Caroline Martino, Margot Kaufman, Bob Kaufman, Al Jones, Alan Brown, Elona Dreni (for general portion of meeting only)

Board Members Absent: Joan Ginsberg, Carol Girardin, Cindy Dreyfuss, Ed Livingston

The Board Meeting was called to order by Caroline. Caroline made and Al seconded a motion to waive the reading of the minutes and to accept, as written, the minutes of the last meeting. Motion passed 5 to 0.

Caroline Reported that the directory was updated before the May 16th meeting. Meeting minutes are now password protected on the website and members can enter the password to get minutes of all meetings.

Al suggested that we have a chairperson of the Pet Directory/Lost Pet Information Committee. Margot will ask Marianne Luch or Sally Leach if they would volunteer for that position.

We Currently have 254 Members and \$53,336.91 in the treasury.

There was no District 2 Report since we did not have a representative at the June Meeting. There will be no July 2017 District 2 meeting.

Firewise Landscape report - Alan is trying to find small Pine trees for people who wish to have them.

Trees on Trail Blvd. — Caroline reported that our donation of the trees to The County is on the Consent Agenda for the June 27 BCC meeting.

Sidewalks on The Trail — Al reported that he has been trying for 3 years to find out where the sidewalks are going. The latest information is the they will be between Trail Blvd and Rt 41 except at the far South and far North ends. Caroline reported that PRCA had requested that the sidewalk at the ends would also be on the west side of Trail Blvd but the FDOT said they cannot change the planned location.

Traffic and Speeding — no report since Cindy was not present.

Signs - If anyone has questions about signs placed in the community, call Michelle Macgonagle at Collier County Code Enforcement.

Protective Fencing on building sites — Caroline asked if fabric fences are required on building sites. They are not always required. You can call Code enforcement if you have a question on a particular case.

Board meeting was suspended at 6:05 for General meeting.

General meeting was called to order. Caroline introduced the Board and Jerry Kurtz to the members. She mentioned that the new Post Office Box Address is now on the website - [Pine Ridge Civic Association, PO Box 111208, Naples, FL 34108](#). Caroline also asked if anyone had ideas for a community get together - can be discussed after Jerry Kurtz's presentation on storm water issues.

Mr. Kurtz gave a general history of the Storm Water Management Department and how they work with Road Maintenance Department. Also that they sample water leaving the estuaries and

entering the bay. Mr. Kurtz said that they need more money and more people to do stormwater projects. Bob asked Mr. Kurtz to give us information on Pine Ridge stormwater issues instead of general county-wide info and mentioned that Pine Ridge provides a huge amount of revenue to the county from a large number of high value taxable properties.

Bob mentioned that perhaps we should contact our commissioner about the funding issue.

Mr Kurtz said that the roadside Swales are the most important component of the PR water management. The lakes are not interconnected. He said that the Swales collect, hold and convey water. They provide connectivity and improve the water quality going to the estuaries.

Several Residents voiced concerns that the swale system is not working in many parts of Pine Ridge — conveyance is not happening as it should since the connectivity is not consistent and elevations seem to be wrong. Swales do not drain properly, culverts are clogged or crushed and in some places there are no Swales.

Mr. Kurtz said that there is a Pine Ridge Stormwater Study being done for existing Swales, Culverts and Lakes. The plan will be done by September 9, 2017. He will send us a copy of the study when completed. Al suggested that we draft a “Petition to Commissioners” to send to Pine Ridge residents, requesting that the Commissioners put us at the top of the Swale project funding list.

We were informed by Mr Kurtz that the BCC wants to create a Stormwater Utility that would charge a fee that would be based on the amount of runoff from your property and would be billed on taxes. The fee might be on the 2018 trim notice.

Residents can call Travis Gossard at the county to clear clogged culverts. If the culvert looks like it is broken, they will not clear it.

Al asked Jerry Kurtz if he could get us the plans for the sidewalks on The Trail - Mr K will talk to the transportation dept.

Caroline asked how many other areas are having stormwater studies done — Mr K said it is less than 5 - one in Immokalee and a few small communities.

General Meeting adjourned and Board Meeting reconvened at 7:30.

Bob mentioned that perhaps we should request a meeting with our Commissioner and the Assistant County Manager so we can give input on the mosquito and swale issues.

Suggestions for future guest speakers for September and October: Sue Law from DAS for Lost pets, or someone from The County re: the Pine Ridge Stormwater Study results, or someone re: CPR training.

No old Business

New Business - Community Gathering perhaps at the Crust. Bob and Al will check out The Crust.

Next Meeting is July 18, 2017 - short Board Meeting.

No Meeting in August 2017

Maybe no meetings in November or December 2107

Board Meeting adjourned at 7:50

Submitted by Margot Kaufman, Secretary PRCA

