

GREEN ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

THURSDAY, June 7, 2012

A meeting of the Green Advisory Board was called to order in the Community Center Meeting Room at 6:20pm with a quorum present.

ATTENDANCE: The following Green Advisory Board members were present: Gladys DiGirolamo , Olga Alvarez(who recently tendered her resignation), Didier Dupuy, Patti Webster, Debra Athas (newly approved board member), Jeri Habenicht, Secretary,

Not in attendance: Rick Dronsky, Diana Guidry, Gary Hines, Steven Gara (who recently resigned.)

In attendance from the audience: Jeffrey Keating, former GAB Board member

APPROVE THE MINUTES: Approval of the minutes was postponed until August when the chairperson will be present to sign them.

OPENING REMARKS: Gladys told about the phone call reactions to her eloquent email to Mayor, Commission and GAB regarding the Commission's delay in adopting the newly recommended Sustainability Plan that was presented to the commission in October, 2011.

GUEST SPEAKER:

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Jeffrey Keating addressed the board about emergency evacuation plans for hurricanes and any Turkey Point disasters. He showed how Cooper City lies within the 50 mile radius of Turkey Point. Based on the recent disaster data from Japan's earthquake/nuclear energy disaster last year, the radius needs to be extended beyond 10 miles that is currently designated for evacuation. He was concerned about provisions for pets, as well. Didier said that the county has provisions for evacuation of all its residents. Patti summarized the salient points of Jeff's concerns, and we directed him to check with county commission emergency management contingency plans for more information.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: Patty distributed to board members a draft of the resolution she devised to submit to commission for adoption of the Sustainability Plan. Members perused, edited and recommended sending it immediately to all the recipients of Gladys' email mentioned in opening remarks above. GAB is on a rampage to force the commission to move on this proposal!

OLD BUSINESS: (see opening remarks above)

NEW BUSINESS: We officially welcomed Debra Athas as a newly approved GAB member. Steven Gara and Olga Alvarez have tendered their resignations as GAB members to the commission since the last board meeting. We will sorely miss their expertise and advice on GAB.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on Thursday, August 2, 2012.

ADJOURNMENT:

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously VOTED to adjourn the meeting at 7:05pm with Olga's motion and Gladys' second.

Minutes submitted by Jerilyn L. Habenicht, GAB Secretary.

The foregoing Minutes were approved by Diana Guidry, Chair of the Green Advisory Board on 9/6/12, 2012.