

ACTION MINUTES

ISLAMORADA-VILLAGE OF ISLANDS SPECIAL CALL VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING

**October 23, 2008
Islamorada Fire Station 20
81850 Overseas Hwy**

I. CALL TO ORDER\ROLL CALL: Mayor Cathi Hill asked for the roll call at 3:13 p.m. Present were: Mayor Cathi Hill, Vice Mayor Don Achenberg; Council members: Dave Boerner, Jill Zima Borski and Michael Reckwerdt. Also in attendance were: Village Manager Kenneth Fields; Village Attorney Nina Boniske; Village Clerk Beverly Raddatz, and all other appropriate Village personnel.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hill requested Vice Mayor Achenberg to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR ADVISORY COMMITTEES FOR FY 2008-2009

A. Land Acquisition Advisory Committee (3:15 p.m. – 3:35 p.m.)

Chairperson Daryle Osborn gave his report to Council. He suggested to sunset the Committee based upon the local and statewide budget issues.

Mayor Hill asked Council for any discussion.

Discussion ensued regarding evaluation of properties for wastewater locations, research alternatives for administrative relief, etc.; whether to let the Committee schedule meetings when needed; and allowing staff to research the administrative relief funding first and then ask the Committee for their suggestions.

Mayor Hill opened the Public Comment Section. The following addressed the Council: Ken Philipson, Islamorada, FL and Deb Gillis, Islamorada, FL.

Discussion continued regarding not to sunset the LAAC at this time; staff giving direction to the Committee regarding the BPAS administrative relief issues; whether to have a Committee member do the minutes instead of staff; whether to make the Committee an Ad Hoc Committee and have consistent style of minutes.

It was the consensus of the Council not to sunset the LAAC but to amend the resolution to make them an AD Hoc Committee which would be assigned specific tasks and to not change the method of taking minutes.

Mayor Hill announced that Matt Sexton from the Conservation Fund secured \$200,000 for capital improvement and maintenance for the tree cactus property. He will be looking for additional partners as well.

B. Landscape Advisory Committee (3:35 p.m. – 3:55 p.m.)

Committee member Tom Strobel gave his report to Council.

Mayor Hill asked Council for any discussion.

Discussion ensued regarding the establishment of the Pineapple Award; Committee members have local knowledge on landscaping; Committee helping Public Works staff with landscaping within the Village; whether to have a staff person at the meetings to take minutes for all the Committees; Council requesting applicants for the Committee; and Council members are in support of the Committee who get landscaping donations and the Committee members' hard work in the sun.

Mayor Hill opened the Public Comment Section. Being none, Mayor Hill closed the Public Comment Section.

It was the consensus of the Council to continue the Landscaping Committee.

C. Near Shore Water Regulation Citizens' Advisory Committee (3:55 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.)

Chairperson Bob Mitchell gave his report to Council.

Mayor Hill asked Council for any discussion.

Discussion ensued regarding whether to add tasks such as: working waterfronts, to encourage the expansion of the clean marina program, address the no discharge water quality issue, and addressing water quality in near shore waters; whether to modify the resolution by stating specific tasks; the Council giving specific goals and objectives on each task; having broad language in the resolution due to goals and objectives changing; and whether to task the Committee with kite-boarding or fish farming issues.

Mayor Hill opened the Public Comment Section. Being none, Mayor Hill closed the Public Comment Section.

It was the consensus of the Council not to sunset the Committee; and to task the Committee with working waterfront, clean marina programs, and no discharge water quality issues.

D. Parks and Recreation Citizens' Advisory Committee (4:15 p.m. – 4:35 p.m.)

Chairperson Kevin Sullivan gave his report to Council.

Mayor Hill asked Council for any discussion.

Discussion ensued regarding whether the Committee would change their recommendation on purchasing the tree cactus property now that there is funding; tasking the Committee to get more funding for the tree cactus property; creating a

mission statement; the Committee making recommendations for all Islamorada parks; whether the kiddy pool was still being reviewed; having fund raisers to help in additional recreational activities; assisting in funding sources for all Islamorada parks; and Council's appreciation to the Committee on budgetary constraints.

Mayor Hill opened the Public Comment Section. The following addressed the Council: Ken Philipson, Islamorada, FL and Phyllis Mitchell, Islamorada, FL.

It was the consensus of the Council not to change the resolution but to task the Committee to review how to accomplish the kiddy pool and to assist in funding sources for all Islamorada parks not just Founders Park.

**E. Water Quality Improvement Citizens' Advisory Committee
(4:35 p.m. – 4:55 p.m.)**

Chairperson David Makepeace gave his report to Council.

Mayor Hill asked Council for any discussion.

Discussion ensued regarding whether the Council should create a secondary Committee to review stormwater, Florida Bay Ecosystem and Everglades Restoration Project water quality issues; the Committee being more proactive with other water quality issues; the way the Committee prioritizes the issues; and whether to streamline the resolution.

Chairperson David Makepeace advised that on November 18th at the Elks Club in Tavernier there will be a Workshop to discuss the Florida Bay Restoration and the Everglades National Park Management Plan. He encouraged everyone that has an interest to attend.

Mayor Hill opened the Public Comment Section. Being none, Mayor Hill closed the Public Comment Section.

It was the consensus of the Council not to sunset the Committee and to keep the resolution as written.

F. Workforce / Affordable Housing Citizens' Advisory Committee (4:55 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.)

Chairperson Deb Gillis gave her report to Council.

Mayor Hill asked Council for any discussion.

Discussion ensued regarding having the Committee research grant opportunities; whether to put the Committee's mission statement in the resolution; what the changes have been in the inventory of affordable housing; how many deed restrictions does the Village have; whether the Committee has changed their focus in this economic climate; and whether the Committee has researched funding and maintenance of rental properties.

Mayor Hill opened the Public Comment Section. The following addressed the Council: David Purdo, Plantation Key, FL and Cheryl Culberson, Islamorada, FL.

It was the consensus of the Council not to change the resolution.

IV. RESOLUTIONS

A. Resolution Regarding Village Citizens' Advisory Committees

RESOLUTION 08-

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR THE SUNSET OF THE LAND ACQUISITION ADVISORY COMMITTEE, THE LANDSCAPE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, THE NEAR SHORE WATER REGULATION CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE, THE PARKS AND RECREATION CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE, THE WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND THE WORKFORCE / AFFORDABLE HOUSING CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR SUNSET DATES TO BE ESTABLISHED FOR ALL FUTURE CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Village Manager Fields advised that the purpose of this meeting was to give the opportunity to Council to address all the Committees at one time. He explained that the resolution was put on the agenda in case the Council wanted to sunset any committee. He commented that since Council does want to sunset any of the Committees, he would like to withdraw this resolution.

Discussion ensued regarding whether to revisit all the Committee resolutions every two years.

Vice Mayor Achenberg asked Council if they would like to review the Committees' every year.

Council agreed.

Mayor Hill opened the Public Comments Section. Being none, Mayor Hill closed the Public Comment Section.

B. Proposed Establishment of a Citizens' Advisory Committee to Provide Technical Advice Regarding Environmental Sustainability Issues

RESOLUTION 08-

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS, FLORIDA, PERTAINING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY TECHNICAL CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE; DEFINING THE TERMS AND COMPOSITION; DEFINING THE MEETINGS AND DISQUALIFICATION; DEFINING THE STAFF PARTICIPATION; DEFINING THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES; DEFINING THE

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES; DEFINING THE SUNSET DATE;
AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

Village Manager Fields asked Village Attorney Boniske to read the title of the resolution.

Village Attorney Boniske read the title.

Village Manager Fields gave his report to Council.

Mayor Hill asked for any Council discussion.

Discussion ensued regarding staff working to be more environmentally responsive and whether establishing a Committee would be redundant; organizations promoting the concept already and a Committee not being needed; the Committee could move forward with the Village's goals; staff not having the technical expertise for technical advice; seeking technical individuals to track environmental goals and objectives; what energy efficient items were in the designs for the Village's new projects; and whether the Council should be a Sustainability Committee.

Mayor Hill opened the Public Comment Section. The following addressed the Council: Ken Philipson, Islamorada, FL and Karen Wolfe, Islamorada, FL.

Mayor Hill asked for any other Council discussion.

Discussion continued regarding citizens giving input to staff if they have suggestions; whether there was a need for a formal Committee that would review items such as building designs, vehicle fleet, etc.; and the expertise the new project manager has in value engineering.

It was the consensus of the Council not to establish an Environmental Sustainability Technical Citizens' Advisory Committee.

V. MOTIONS

No motions were discussed.

VI. MAYOR / COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Hill advised that GLEE would be having a Keyswide Sustainability Project Recycling Summit on November 6, 2008. She commented that she and Councilman Boerner would be attending.

Councilwoman Zima Borski appointed Mimi Young to the Workforce / Affordable Housing Citizens Advisory. She also suggested to residents to check the dates for all the Council meetings through the holiday seasons because Council meeting dates have changed.

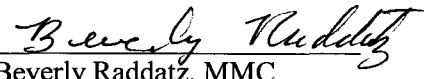
VII. VILLAGE ATTORNEY / VILLAGE MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS


Village Manager Fields advised that the recycling program has started and the volume of recycling has increased. He commented that Onyx and staff are researching alternate paid systems and the costs of various approaches.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Mayor Achenberg made a motion to adjourn; Councilman Reckwerdt seconded the motion. Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 5:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Beverly Raddatz, MMC
Village Clerk



Mayor Cathi Hill

Approved by Council on 20th day of November 2008.