

Minutes of UCCA Meeting January 30, 2011, 11:00am
Safety Harbor Clubhouse

Meeting called to order. Board members present: President Arthur Mason, Vice-president Anne Murphy, Secretary Sue Ann Cousar, Treasurer Fran DeTure; Karen Sirabian, Joel Halberstadt, Jackie Byrnes. Absent were Richard Pepper and Vicki Kirsh; both gave notice. Also present: John Otis, Katie Walsh, Dave Tompkins, Marcia Andrews, Kristie Anders, Gary Walker, Tema Goetzl, Linda DeTure, Hart Kelley, Russell & Marcia Reed, Gene Murphy, Sam Horsley, Adriano Weiszflog, Jake Stieger, Janet Cooksey, Jerry Vernon, Bill Byrnes, Dan Davenport, Charles Skinner.

Minutes of the December 11, 2010, meeting were approved as emailed out to everyone.

Treasurer report - Fran DeTure: checking has \$3,840, MM acct. \$41,771, 2 CD's totaling \$45,244. Total resources \$90,856.91. The Board voted Saturday to fund the Upper Captiva Fire and Rescue District request of \$7,400 for trimming back pathways. \$7,400 grant went to Dennis and Gretchen's lowest bid. Who will administer? The FD agreement calls for picking up the cut vegetation debris, part 1/3 payment before and complete payment only after Chief Pepper is satisfied that all roads are passable for largest equipment.

Survey of use of compost material: 45% said they would use it. Talking about 30'x30' site on SHC property, but composting only SHC vegetation, with regular turning and watering, possible use of lime. Why would someone not support the Island composting? Possible smell, use of chemical, securing the site, the whole Island bringing their debris instead of just SHC. This is just a six month experiment.

Community Panel will have a meeting either Feb. 23 or 24. All property owners should have received both a paper copy in the mail of the survey and an email notice of the survey online. Second part of the survey is not the work of the Panel but is to get feedback on some of the age-old issues on the Island. Margaret adjusted the timeline of the April meeting to be an Open House so there can be informal conversation and questions about the survey.

Upper Captiva Road Commission [UCRC]: the weekend after Island clean-up is the UCRC annual meeting, Feb. 19, at 11:00am followed by a barbecue at 1:00 at the east end of the airstrip.

Upper Captiva Fire Department: Bob Kinniry thanked UCCA for the grant for road trimming of 12'x12' to allow for equipment passage.

Membership Committee: 88 memberships have come in so far.

Island Clean-up - Anne Murphy: Saturday, February 12 at 9:00am at Fire Station. Receive a trash bag, fill it with roadside trash, deposit at dumpster at Barnacle Phil's and you will receive a ticket for free cup of rice and beans at Barnacle Phil's.

St. Patrick's Day Party Fund raiser: March 19, 2011. We need a chairman. Arthur suggested a stipend of \$500 to the person who would chair the event. There were objections. Anne is thinking that the area behind Barnacle Phil's is actually larger, do buffet, use wood fence for art display. Joel mentioned lack of electricity; possibly do it during the daylight hours. Would Barnacle Phil's lease us the space so we could do our own cooking? Katie would be willing to solicit live-auction items, Jackie will do ticket sales. Raffle has not been as profitable. Anne suggested that the raffle be the 50/50; it's more convenient for visitors. Anne will take care of artwork. With the data, Dave can prepare the Dinner handout that includes auction items, but must have info by March 1. He will be away March 19. Gene suggested that the live auction not take so long, more items be part of the silent auction. Kayak: maybe 6 - 8 people would be willing to buy a kayak to offer for raffle. Last year Cakewalk made \$323, bicycle raffle made \$400. Dinner tickets need to be sold in advance. Arthur polled the Board re. paying someone \$500 to chair the event: a reluctant 6 for, 1 against. [A St. Pat's Party organizational meeting was held on Tuesday, Feb. 3.]

Eisner Closure of Gulf Ln: Eisners claim the road easement of Gulf Lane that divided their two lots no longer exists. They have sent UCCA a letter claiming a slander of title. Arthur as new president would like to sit down and talk this out.

Easement Issues: Bob Pritt has resigned as counsel of UCCA and Community Panel because of conflict of interest with his firm's counsel for the Eisners. Tom Hart has been engaged to deal with all easement issues. Margaret Banyan thinks that the Community Panel can probably proceed without engaging an attorney.

State Park Access and Security: Hart witnessed Hip Kachel on a lull driving back up the pathway of the State Park, destroying vegetation and Gopher Tortoise dens. DEP's law enforcement is prosecuting the case.

Anne moved to allow Katie Walsh to go ahead with printing of a list of Island Do's and Don't's. Jackie seconded. Vote passed. Karen Sirabian will assume responsibility to distribute to all "meet and greet" personnel. Dave said somebody

has to oversee the continuous distribution. Once it was set up with Emily to call Pine Island Printing to ask them to print more copies when she runs out.

Pine Island Marina is in receivership. Parking prices are back to \$150 a month, or \$8 a day.

Emily sent out a Newsletter. She is offering some late boats on Friday and Saturday nights, 7:00pm and 9:00pm leaving Pineland Marina, and 7:30pm and 9:30pm leaving the outer islands to allow some in-town evening activities.

MSTU refund: Hart says it is not going out through Property Appraiser but through Solid Waste Management. There are 700 parcels on the Island and they had to enter every one as a vendor so we can receive a check. Check will be sent to address of record of Property Appraiser the end of February. Also, Lindsey Sampson is still willing to do a garbage collection on the Island as he has proposed, if SHC decides to give up their incinerator and participate. Dan Davenport is doing garbage collection for about two dozen Island homes. Bryan Brillhart and Fuzzy are working together for NCIC members' homes. Dan Davenport picked up Gary Walker's customer list. Anne asked about re-cycling. Dan said he can pick it up and haul it off the way it is separated. Currently the easiest to recycle is paper and cardboard, and aluminum. Also Lee Co. will accept any type of plastic.

Bill Byrnes spoke about the Patriot Flag, 30'x58', that is travelling around the country to honor 911 first responders and veterans. UCFRD is doing this in co-operation with Ft Myers. The flag will be flown at the Festival of Lights parade. On President's Day it will be flown at Centennial Park in Ft. Myers at noon. See www.thePatriotFlag.US. There are various ceremonies in PA, Pentagon in Washington DC, and Flag will ultimately be flown at Freedom Plaza in NY. 950 first responders have died because of illnesses they contracted due to their service.

Plaques were awarded to Sam Horsley, who was present, in appreciation of his service on the Board, and to Gary Fisher in absentia.

Next UCCA meeting will be May 1, 2011.

[Barnacle Phil's parking stickers: Many are requesting multiple stickers because of multiple carts or houses. Our cost is \$3.50 per sticker. Arthur proposed \$5 a sticker for second sticker.]

Respectfully submitted by Sue Ann Cousar, secretary