

DUCK KEY PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL MEETING

February 10, 2008

The meeting was called to order by President McHale at 6:15 p.m. Board members present were: Bill McHale, Joe Orr, Bill Roberts, Will Morrell and Pat Key. Board members absent were: Donna Flammig, Nancy Herold and Doris Bicknell. There were 95 association members present.

Bill McHale requested that the membership approve a one year term extension for board members Bill Roberts, Will Morrell and himself. Approval was given along with applause from the membership.

Ed Gottschalk moved that the minutes of the 2007 Annual Meeting be approved; seconded by Pat Johnston, carried.

Joe Orr was recognized as a retiring board member and was presented with a Tiffany key chain with DKPOA inscribed on the fob.

ELECTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS;

The slate of Jerry Fortier and Jim Pryvitosky was presented. There were no nominations from the floor. Roy Engquist moved that the slate be elected; seconded by Judy Adler, carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCIAL

Treasurer, Bill Roberts reported that 2007 was a good year. We have a surplus of \$7,000.00 on collected revenues of \$21,000.00 and anticipate a similar result in 2008. Most of the surplus is being set aside to repair damage caused by the laying of our sewers, reuse and potable water lines.

We start the year with a cash balance of \$56,100.00. Some of which will go toward sign replacement and repair.

Volunteer donations to the Island Beautification Fund totaled \$1,600.00 in 2007 and we are on pace to match that figure for 2008.

ROADS AND RIGHT OF WAY

Chairman, Will Morrell reported that with the help of Bill Tibboles we intend to continue building new street signs and to repair damaged signs. We need volunteers for sign repair and painting. There are sign-up sheets and we need your help.

It is a code violation to have more than one trailer on your property and to have people living in an RV on your property. If you see these or other violations, please call your code officer, Ronda Norman.

ISLAND BEAUTIFICATION

Bill McHale said that Jerry Fortier will be heading up the project slated for February 16, 2008. The job will be far easier than the clean up after Wilma. There is a sign-up sheet for volunteers and we need your help.

WASTEWATER

Roger Marriott reported that at our last meeting the FKAA hoped to start work in April of 2007 and be completed in 2009. That obviously has not happened.

FKAA's problem is the failure of the County, State and Federal governments to fund the mandate to sewer the Keys. The County is basically broke. The State is trying to cut the budget in order to adjust to fewer real estate tax dollars and the Federal government is involved in funding two wars. The estimated cost to finish sewer the Keys is \$336,000,000.00. Our best bet is a bond being proposed by Representative Mayfield that would generate 300 to 400 million and be paid back with State rather than County sales tax revenue. The County could increase local retail taxes but is hesitant to do so until the State makes a move.

Basically, Duck Key will not be sewered by the State mandate of July 2010. We face the possibility of \$5,000.00 a year fines being levied but the chance of that is very remote. We also see the possibility of the County trying to increase the \$4,500.00 assessment. Again, we doubt this will happen.

DUCK KEY SECURITY

Tom Neville, Chairman of the Duck Key Security Board addressed the membership. He stated that a bid was out for security cameras on Truman bridge. The project was held up by the renovation at Hawk's Cay. They have agreed to house the receiver, but until their work is completed they cannot provide the necessary space. Tom then talked about golf carts and the fact that children are driving them and causing accidents. He feels that there is a need to register each golf cart. He urged residents to call 911 when they see anything out of the ordinary. 911 will place the call to the proper respondent. Tom stated that Duck Key Security hours will change during spring break in order to monitor groups crossing Truman bridge. Lastly, he suggested that once the sewer work is funded, we petition BOCC to fund the installation of fire hydrants.

Bill McHale introduced Steve Bello, general manager of Hawk's Cay. The following are the highlights of his presentation:

The new owners have spent 40 million dollars to date to improve the facility. There are planned upgrades for the spa and marina area.

Two new restaurants will be open to the public, but the pool restaurant and area will be reserved for townhouse owners and hotel guests.

All facilities can be used at an annual cost of \$5,000.00, which includes discounts at the various restaurants and facilities

Daily facility passes are no longer available.

The resort is willing to review a brochure composed by DKPOA covering safety and courtesy when traveling through our islands.

OLD BUSINESS

Bill McHale complimented the Public Works crew. When asked, they quickly installed the new finals that DKPOA purchased for Truman and Yacht Club bridges. He thanked the Smithwicks for identifying the truck responsible for destroying three street signs. We were able to get \$750.00 from the contractor laying reuse pipe on Center Island.

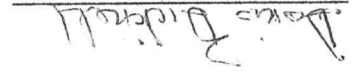
Hawk's Cay had been dumping landscape trash on Trinidad Street. The management was not aware of this practice, and when informed, had the area cleaned up.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill McHale informed the members that Judy Clark from the County's Engineering Department has requested that a bridge engineering firm study all five Duck Key bridges and outline the repair for each. The County will have to approve the expenditure and several members agreed to join the Board in petitioning the BOCC to fund the project.

There being no further business, Ed Gottschalk moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Will Morrell, carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55p.m.

Respectfully submitted:


DORIS BICKNELL
Secretary

Approved:

BILL McHALE
President