

**MINUTES  
LONGBOAT KEY TOWN COMMISSION  
GOALS AND OBJECTIVES  
SPECIAL WORKSHOP  
APRIL 15, 2019 - 10:00 A.M.**

**Present:** Mayor George Spoll, Vice Mayor Ed Zunz, Commissioners Randy Clair, Jack Daly, Mike Haycock, Irwin Pastor, Ken Schneier

**Also**

**Present:** Town Manager Tom Harmer, Deputy Town Clerk Savannah Schield

**CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Mayor Spoll called the April 15, 2019, Goals and Objectives Special Workshop to order at 10:01 a.m. in the Town Commission Chamber, Town Hall, 501 Bay Isles Road, Longboat Key, Florida. Commissioner Schneier led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**MAYOR'S INTRODUCTION**

**1. Mayor's Introduction**

Mayor Spoll welcomed the meeting participants, explained the process for the meeting, and thanked the representatives for their participation and for providing their written comments in advance of the meeting.

**CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS, CHURCHES, AND ASSOCIATIONS**

**2. Attendance Confirmed – Written Comments Submitted**

**A. Sleepy Lagoon Homeowners Association**

Sleepy Lagoon Homeowners Association Representative June McGroary commented on the following topics/issues:

- beautification of the Longboat Key Public Works building
- continuation of landscaping on the North end of Longboat Key.

**B. Country Club Shores Homeowners Association Units 1-5** - No items were presented.

**C. LBK North**

LBK North Representative Susan Di Natale commented on the following topics/issues:

- shoreline management protection strategy
- North end beach stabilization
- beach erosion
- maintaining canal dredging
- neighborhood flooding
- Broadway and Gulf of Mexico Drive intersection traffic safety and beautification
- Broadway roundabout
- engagement with Manatee County Commission.

**D. START (Solutions To Avoid Red Tide)**

START Representative Sandy Gilbert commented on mini reef filters that will be placed by the docks at Mar Vista Restaurant.

Discussion ensued on the two-year project to install artificial oyster and shell reefs by Bayfront Park.

2. Attendance Confirmed – Written Comments Submitted - Continued

E. Longboat Key Estates

Longboat Key Estates Representative Abelardo Bru commented on the following topics/issues:

- dredging canals
- beach renourishment
- fence between Bayfront Park and Longboat Key Estates
- past construction of Bayfront Park
- cement posts between Bayfront Park and Longboat Key Estates.

3. Attendance Confirmed – Written Comments Not Submitted

A. Longboat Key Chamber of Commerce

Longboat Key Chamber of Commerce Representative Willie McLaughlin commented on the following topics/issues:

- encourage and improve tourism redevelopment
- community health opportunities
- Longboat Key Arts, Culture, and Education (ACE) Center development
- public transportation system
- traffic discussion with Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and City of Sarasota
- Longboat Key Chamber of Commerce's Government Affairs Committee.

B. Longboat Key Garden Club

Longboat Key Garden Club Representative Susan Phillips commented on the following topic/issues:

- continued beautification of Gulf of Mexico Drive
- aesthetic of poles for the undergrounding project
- Longboat Key Arts, Culture, and Education (ACE) Center development
- funding for enhancing landscaping at ACE Center location
- support for Town's beautification projects at public properties
- installing electric and fans at the pavilion at Joan M. Durante Park.

C. LBK Federation of Condominiums

LBK Federation of Condominiums Representative Ellen Parker commented on the following topics/issues:

- One County Initiative
- traffic issues
- Longboat Key Arts, Culture, and Education (ACE) Center development
- recreation center at Bayfront Park
- red tide cleanup solutions
- public transportation
- sea rise and climate change.

4. Other Organizations in Attendance

A. Longboat Key Turtle Watch

Longboat Key Turtle Watch Representative Tim Thurman commented on the following topics/issues:

- code enforcement actions regarding turtle ordinances
- sea turtle lighting
- regulating raccoon and coyote populations.

B. Buttonwood Harbor Association

The Buttonwood Harbor Association Representative Dave Bishop commented on the following topics/issues:

- code enforcement regulation regarding construction
- short-term rental regulation
- traffic circulation safety
- adding a third turning lane on Gulf of Mexico Drive
- environmental issues/sea level rise
- tidal flooding increase
- street drainage
- seawall modifications.

5. Town Commission Discussion

Discussions were held on the following topics/issues:

- remodeling/reconstructing both fire stations
- solar panels on municipal buildings
- fence between Bayfront Park and Longboat Key Estates
- comprehensive planning.

**PUBLIC TO BE HEARD**

1. Opportunity for Public to Address Town Commission

A. Street Signage

Mr. Abelardo Bru, Royal Street, commented on safety concerns regarding street signage near Bayfront Park.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Mayor Spoll adjourned the April 15, 2019, Goals and Objective Special Workshop at 11:16 a.m.**

Minutes Approved: 05-06-2019