

October 07, 2008

**MINUTES
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

9:00 a.m.

**SARASOTA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER
1660 RINGLING BOULEVARD
A/B CONFERENCE ROOM, SECOND FLOOR
SARASOTA, FLORIDA**

Shannon Staub, Chair, District 3
Jon Thaxton, Vice Chair, District 5
Paul H. Mercier, District 1
Joseph A. Barbetta, District 2
Nora Patterson, District 4

Also present were:

James Ley, County Administrator
David Bullock, Deputy County Administrator
Susan Scott, Deputy County Administrator
Stephen DeMarsh, County Attorney
Latressa Preston, Deputy Clerk

WORKSHOP

(9:07 a.m.)

1. ADMINISTRATION

The Board considered an annual update and future goals regarding the "Roadmap to Sustainability."

Staff Presenters: Environmental Services Resource Protection Manager Amy Meese, County Administrator James Ley, Environmental Services Business Professional II Lee Hayes Byron, and Health and Human Services Environmental Administrator Charles Henry

Public Presenter: Terry Janssen of Florida Green Building Coalition

Item submitted: A copy of the Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Fact Sheet regarding Healthy Community Design

9:17 a.m. Board Action: Accepted the Florida Green Building Coalition's Green Local Government Certification, without objection.

9:51 a.m. Board Action: Requested a report on the number of children who visit emergency rooms for asthma-related problems due to residing versus not residing near major roadways. Requested by Thaxton, without objection.

9:51 a.m. Board Action: Requested a copy of Staff's PowerPoint presentation. Requested by Staub, without objection.

RECESS: 10:36 a.m. - 10:51 a.m.

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1. ADMINISTRATION - Continued

10:58 a.m. Board Action: Requested to coordinate/work with the business community for input on sustainability/growth issues. Requested by Staub, without objection.

11:28 a.m. Board Action: Requested that the County Administrator schedule a presentation by the Suncoast Workforce Board on a future Board Agenda. Requested by Barbetta, without objection.

11:39 a.m. Board Action: Requested that the County Administrator schedule semi-annual reports/presentations by the Economic Development Corporation on the status of the County's employment growth/loss rate during a future televised Board Meeting/Workshop. Requested by Patterson, without objection.

11:44 a.m. Board Action: Requested to add an "s" to the word "Program" in the name "Environmentally Sensitive Lands Program" throughout Staff's report. Requested by Thaxton, without objection.

11:46 a.m. Board Action: Requested a status report on the Habitat Conservation Plan for the Florida Scrub-Jays. Requested by Thaxton, without objection.

(11:47 a.m.)

2. OTHER BUSINESS

A. COMMISSIONER PATTERSON

Staff Presenter: Planning and Development Services Zoning Administrator Tina Crawford

11:51 a.m. Board Action: Requested that the County Administrator bring back a Zoning Ordinance Amendment relative to the Farmer's Market on Siesta Key for Board consideration. Requested by Patterson, without objection.

11:55 a.m. Board Action: Requested that the County Administrator bring back the provisions relative to non-conforming uses when the provisions relative to the Farmer's Markets are brought back for Board consideration. Requested by Thaxton, without objection.

11:56 a.m. Board Action: Requested that the County Administrator review/outline provisions relative to non-conforming density and to bring back for Board consideration. Requested by Patterson, without objection.

12:01 p.m. Board Action: Directed the County Administrator to allocate funds from the General Fund to restore the Spay/Neuter Program for Fiscal Year (FY) 2009, in the amount of \$60,000.00, and to provide an Economic Impact Analysis as a guide for the FY 2010 Budget. Moved by Patterson, seconded by Thaxton, carried a 5-0 vote.

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2. OTHER BUSINESS - Continued

12:12 p.m. Board Action: Directed the County Administrator to bring back a Zoning Ordinance Amendment relative to the Farmer's Market on Siesta Key for Board consideration to expand the permitted vendor uses, including a review of the City of Sarasota's Farmer's Market model, and to waive the Planning Commission public hearing. Moved by Patterson, seconded by Mercier, carried by a 5-0 vote.

B. CHAIR STAUB

12:11 p.m. Board Action: Noted majority consensus by Staub to deny support of a proposed Resolution, a Constitutional Amendment, requiring State Legislators to operate under the same provisions of Local Governments relative to the Florida Sunshine/Open Government Laws.

12:19 p.m. Board Action: Approved the Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO) request for funds to support the State and Federal educational activities, in the amount of \$1,000.00, and \$250.00 for meeting refreshments. Moved by Patterson, seconded by Thaxton, carried by a 5-0 vote.

(12:20 p.m.)

3. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - Opened and closed without comment.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 12:20 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED: _____
Chair