



Martin County
Jensen Beach
Neighborhood Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes

Jensen Beach Community Center
1912 NE Jensen Beach Blvd
Jensen Beach, FL

Wednesday, September 4, 2024

PRESENT

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ABSENT

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STAFF PRESENT

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* Indicates a motion ** Indicates a vote *** For the record comment

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm.

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST – None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Agenda Item: 24-1303 Draft Meeting Minutes – May 1, 2024
MOTION

- * C. Hall motioned to approve the proposed May 1, 2024, meeting minutes as presented
** A. Kagdis seconded, and the motion carried UNANIMOUSLY

PRESENTATION

Agenda Item: 24-1308, Jensen Beach NAC – Access to the Arts - MartinArts

Tori Hill, MartinArts Administrative Coordinator along with Chandler Josie provided a brief presentation on the Access to the Arts Program. The program’s objective is to enhance arts programming and outreach within underserved communities in Martin County, i.e., those facing economic challenges, people with physical/intellectual disabilities, veterans and others. The Committee members and the community participated by answering a few short survey questions via cards.

J. Compton – Where is the MartinArts building located?

T. Hill – Next to the Martin County Courthouse off SE Ocean Blvd. (80 SE Ocean Blvd, Stuart, FL 34994)

Agenda Item: 24-1306, Jensen Beach NAC Public Records Training

Sangeeta Maragh, Martin County Public Records Administrator, presented the Public Records Training and discussed how the Public Records Law applies to appointed committee members. The committee members who were present, completed and signed the Acknowledgment Receipt Form.

J. Compton – What do I do if I forward an email to a constituent about a project?

S. Maragh – Those are public records that need to be turned in for record keeping.

Agenda Item: 24-1307, Jensen Beach NAC – CRA Architectural Design Standards

Dana Little, Urban Design Director from the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council presented the proposed CRA Architectural Design Standards for all six Martin County CRA areas. This effort has been undertaken to update and codify the design standards for clarity and predictability of use by architects, builders, property owners and staff, and to continue to implement the vision of well-designed communities that celebrate their distinctive identities and contribute to the overall sustainability of Martin County.

C. Hall – I would like to see Main Street Vernacular added. Art Deco, Mission, and Mid-Century Modern are not a good fit for Jensen Beach.

A. Compton – Are these changes being done because of the developments happening?

D. Little – This is not development driven, these standards were always in the plan to be updated. Developers and designers have also wanted more choices in designs.

Y. Sashoor – I am in favor of the design standards, but how will this be enforced for future construction?

J. Cox – For new house construction, plans are submitted to and reviewed by the Martin County Building Department. Development Review (Commercial) projects are reviewed by the Growth Management Department and a CRA review is added for Architectural Standards.

B. Osborn – In Santa Barbara, they are very strict on their building designs which makes the architecture unique. This is long overdue for Jensen Beach. Thank you this is a great project.

MOTION

* C. Hall motioned to move forward with the proposed CRA Architectural Design Standards using the current styles for the Jensen Beach CRA and adding Main Street Vernacular to the list of designs allowed.

** A. Kagdis seconded, and the motion carried UNANIMOUSLY

OLD BUSINESS

Agenda Item: 24-1310, Jensen Beach NAC – Staff Updates

Jana Cox, CRA Program Manager, provided an update on various projects within the Jensen Beach CRA including Christmas Lights and Pole Decorations, Jensen Beach Road Resurfacing, Pineapple Passage and a brief update about the River Light project.

C. Hall – Now that the River Light project changed some of the scope of their project, can they come back again and present with the new changes?

J. Cox – Based on the guidelines they don't need to come back to the NAC. There will many chances to attend meetings for this project including the Local Planning Agency and the Board of County Commission.

R. Rose – Could the Church Street project be resurrected since we are still having parking challenges? What about obtaining parking spaces on Pineapple Street by the railroad?

J. Cox – I will look at the Church Street project and report back at our next meeting. I will also look at the history of the FEC parking possibilities.

R. Wire – Thank you Jana for working on getting Christmas lights for Jensen Beach.

ADJOURN – Meeting adjourned at 6:22 PM.

Recorded and prepared by:

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Date

Jerry Compton, Chairperson

Date

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