



**Martin County
Rio
Neighborhood Advisory Committee
Minutes**

**Vince Bocchino
Community Center
Langford Park
2369 NE Dixie Hwy
Jensen Beach, FL**

Thursday, May 20, 2021

PRESENT

Position	Name	Term Expiration
Chairperson	Michael Readling	September 11, 2021
Vice Chair	Adam Guzi	September 10, 2024
Members	Estanislao Field	September 11, 2021
	Joann Gaieski	September 11, 2021
	Debra Harsh	September 11, 2023
	Richard Kennedy	September 11, 2022
	Jill Pinkham	September 11, 2021

ABSENT

STAFF PRESENT

Position	Name
CRA Manager	Susan Kores
CRA Project Manager	Jordan Pastorius
CRA Development Specialist	Jana Cox

*** Indicates a motion**

**** Indicates a vote**

***** For the record comment**

CALL TO ORDER – Meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm.

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Agenda Item: 21-0768 Draft Meeting Minutes – March 4, 2021

MOTION

* R. Kennedy motioned to approve the proposed March 4, 2021 meeting minutes as presented

** E. Field seconded, and the motion carried UNANIMOUSLY

COMMENTS

1. PUBLIC

- J. Priest – The sign at Ian's Grill has been changed to Weed Line Grill so we know that another restaurant will be going in there. Also, SPS is closing in August. Some sort of warehouse operation will be going in there.

2. MEMBERS

- J. Pinkham – The Rio electronic sign was not working this morning. Could be power outage will check and reboot.

3. STAFF - none

PRESENTATIONS

Agenda Item: 21-0767, Rio Potential Artwork Donation – Copper Seahorse

Susan Kores, CRA Manager presented the agenda item.

- J. Priest – The rebar that is presently in the roundabout can be used to create a pedestal and raise the seahorse to make it more visible.
- R. Kennedy – Has this piece been displayed outside or is it strictly inside?
- S. Kores – It is currently being displayed outside in Clearwater.
- E. Field – Copper does degrade and age with exposure to the weather. Do we know what the lifespan of this piece is?
- S. Kores – I do not know the answer to that question, but the owner just cleaned and resealed the piece.
- D. Harsh – At least we will have something in the roundabout until the developer decides to put something else there.
- D. Ashley – Is there a contract for how long this will stay in the roundabout?
- S. Kores – We do not have anything in place yet.
- J. Priest – The plaque that we have in our possession was provided by funds raised from the Rio Civic Club's roundabout campaign. What do you prefer to have on the plaque as far as the artist and his donation?
- A. Guzi – The artist's name should be stated somewhere on the plaque.
- S. Kores – Keep in mind that the Art in Public Places program will be designing new signage for all of our art pieces which includes our new logo.

MOTION

* R. Kennedy motioned to support the acceptance of the donation of the artwork to the AIPP inventory for placement in the Martin Avenue roundabout pedestal in Rio

** D. Harsh seconded, and the motion carried UNANIMOUSLY

Agenda Item: 21-0769, Fire Rescue Presentation

Chad Cianciulli, Fire Rescue Chief, Rocco Napoli, Division Chief, and Kevin Parkes, Bureau Chief of Fire, discussed Fire Rescue service and the upcoming Brightline Train in Rio.

- J. Priest – What about the fire station on Hutchinson Island? What is the calculation of time to get from there to Rio?
- K. Parkes – When a call comes in, it goes through central dispatch. We always dispatch the closest unit in response to a call. The trucks are out and about, not just sitting in the station house waiting for calls.
- D. Ashley – I was wondering do you as the fire department have the capability of stopping the train?
- C. Cianciulli – Yes, we can stop the train if it is an emergency. Understand that this is live dispatch and the medics are typing their whereabouts to us live.
- R. Cook – Have you considered moving the stations?
- C. Cianciulli – If the current station location is not working, we would consider it.
- A. Guzi – Do you have live feed from the trains to know where they are located at all times?
- R. Napoli – Yes, we do have this.
- D. Harsh – We need a station on this side of the tracks.
- R. Kennedy – What is the process for getting a new fire station and/or new equipment?
- C. Cianciulli – Data supports how many trucks you need. If the call volumes justify it, we would order a new truck. It does take 8 months to a year to get a new truck once it is ordered.
- J. Priest – What does the data look like on the calls between the west side and the east side of Rio?
- C. Cianciulli – I don't know that off hand, but the entire area of Rio is busy.
- D. Ashley – What about impact fees, don't they cover expenses for new fire stations and equipment?
- K. Storey – Martin County does have an impact fee ordinance in place.

OLD BUSINESS

Agenda Item: 21-0770, Rio Infill Sewer

Jordan Pastorius, CRA Sr. Project Manager presented the update.

STAFF UPDATE

Agenda Item: 21-0771

Jordan Pastorius, CRA Sr. Project Manager presented an update on various projects within the Rio CRA.

- E. Field – Noticed plants on the ground in the roundabout. Anyone know what happened there?
- L. Crichton – A truck ran over the plants.
- J. Gaieski – What are the rules regarding big trucks going through Rio? They should not be allowed to go around the roundabout.
- J. Pastorius – I would suggest contacting our Traffic Engineering Department to see if they have rules about weight and size of trucks.
- R. Cook – What is your end game for the CRA acquiring property in Rio?
- S. Kores - Acquiring property is a strategy in every CRA and part of the vision plan. The property can be used for many different things and just having the property in our inventory gives us those options.
- L. Crichton – What is the status on the sidewalk leading up to Mrs. Peter's?
- J. Pastorius – We are still working on getting the easements from the property owners.
- J. Priest – I have some contact information for those property owners, and I will email you.

ADJOURN – Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm

The next Rio NAC meeting is Thursday, July 22, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

Recorded and Prepared by:

Jana Cox, Community Development Specialist

Date

Michael Readling, Chair

Date

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