



**Martin County
Port Salerno
Neighborhood Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes**

Port Salerno Civic Center
4950 Anchor Avenue
Stuart, FL

Thursday, August 12, 2021

PRESENT

Position	Name	Term Expiration
Chairperson	Chandler Josie	September 10, 2024
Vice Chair	Noah Mustafa	February 20, 2025
Members	Jamie Rolle Taylor	February 20, 2025
	Cathy Harvey	February 20, 2025
	Karen Worden	January 28, 2023
	Ellen Asselin	January 28, 2023

ABSENT

Position	Name	Term Expiration
Vice Chair	Edward Olsen	September 11, 2021
Member	Marygrace Haluska	September 10, 2024
Member	Mary Beth Konz	September 10, 2021

STAFF PRESENT

Position	Name
CRA Manager	Susan Kores
CRA Project Manager	Joshua Mills
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 – None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Agenda Item: 21-1017 Draft Meeting Minutes – June 10, 2021

MOTION

- * E. Asselin motioned to approve the proposed June 10, 2021 meeting minutes as presented
- ** K. Worden seconded, and the motion carried UNANIMOUSLY

COMMENTS

1. PUBLIC

- M. Rhodes – What is the status of the mooring fields? The hurricane season is upon us and these boats are not tied up.
- J. Mills – We can provide you with the contact information for our Coastal Engineering Department/Public Works. They would have more accurate information and timelines. Please feel free to contact them and sign up for their newsletter as well.

2. MEMBERS

- Jamie Rolle Taylor – I have asked about this before. Can we get some trees on the sidewalks along Cove Road?
- J. Mills – The plan is to use neighborhood enhancement funds to do this.
- S. Kores – We are meeting with Public Works and our Growth Management Departments next week to discuss Cove Road.

3. STAFF

- J. Mills – The affordable housing RFP is complete, and this committee should be very proud of that accomplishment.

PRESENTATIONS

Agenda Item: 21-1016, Port Salerno Opioid Presentation

Michelle Miller, Human Services Administrator and Joanna Greene, Human Services Supervisor presented information on Martin County's Human Services project aimed at reducing opioid abuse and overdoses in Martin County. At the end of the presentation, discussion ensued regarding what the residents and members of the Port Salerno NAC thought about new ideas to partner with this project.

- C. Josie – Thank you for coming tonight and presenting to us. Have you considered the many different events that take place in Port Salerno? We have the seafood festival and many other events where you could set up a booth to get the word out.
- J. Greene – Yes, we have a tent and a table. We are ready to show up, talk with people and hand out our information.
- E. Asselin – Are you doing anything preventative?
- J. Greene – We already have a few new grants that will address the prevention side of this program. We also support drug free community programs and tobacco free programs.
- S. Kores – Do you have any data that addresses the ages of these groups or the industries that are affected?
- M. Miller – We do not have any numbers on industries affected, but the age group with the most cases is 35 years and up.
- M. Rhodes – What about the homeless, are they part of this group?
- M. Miller – Not too much.
- J. Rolle Taylor – I agree that you should target local events to get the word out. Another thing to consider is a mailer. You could add a simple slogan that would catch the resident's eye so that they would read it and pay attention to the content. Another idea is to target the school aged kids. They would be more apt to influence their parents into quitting or at least getting help with their issues.

OLD BUSINESS

Agenda Item: 21-1018, Port Salerno Manatee Gateway Artwork

Susan Kores, CRA Manager presented the update and asked the committee to approve the additional \$4,000 for this project.

- J. Rolle Taylor – What about the budget? Are we okay with our funds?
- S. Kores – We would use Neighborhood Enhancement funds for this and yes, the money is there for this.
- J. Mills – I concur that we have more than enough to cover the additional \$4,000 needed for this project.
- Greg – How tall are these pelicans?
- S. Kores – The pelican structures are 4 feet tall.
- K. Worden – If they are stainless steel, could a child hurt themselves on these?
- S. Kores – Anything could happen with public art, but the artist has assured me that these will not be sharp, and they will not get too hot in the Florida sun.
- J. Rolle Taylor – I like that the pelicans are on the pedestals.

MOTION

- * J. Rolle-Taylor motioned to approve the additional \$4,000 to fund the Port Salerno Manatee Gateway Artwork as proposed
- ** K. Harvey seconded, and the motion carried UNANIMOUSLY

COMMENTS

1. PUBLIC

- M. Rhodes – There was a posting on Facebook that named Port Salerno as “One of the Country’s Coolest Small Towns to Visit”. I think this is great for Port Salerno.

2. MEMBERS

- J. Rolle Taylor – What is happening with the environmental project you spoke about last month?
- J. Mille – Unfortunately, we did not receive the grant. We will continue to try to procure funds for this project.
- K. Harvey – Do you know anything about providing compost containers/bins for property owners?
- S. Kores – This seems like something that would be provided by the USDA or IFAS.
- J. Mills – It is not anything that Martin County provides. I would start with IFAS.
- C. Josie – We had mentioned about Christmas decorations, can we get some banners up?
- J. Mills – I will investigate it.
- S. Kores – Banners are handled differently now. We have one vendor design the banners and another vendor install the banners.
- J. Rolle Taylor – What is the status of the new sign for New Monrovia?
- J. Mills – We are working on the PO.
- S. Kores – We will take an inventory of poles in Port Salerno and report back to you.

3. STAFF

- J. Mills – The investment programs for Port Salerno will include trees along the sidewalk.
- Greg – What is the status of the water project?
- J. Mills – Explained the time frame for Phase II of the water project. It will follow the same timeline as Phase I and will be completed by July of 2022.

ADJOURN – Meeting adjourned at 7:26 pm

Recorded and Prepared by:

Jana Cox, Community Development Specialist

Date

Chandler Jose, Chair

Date

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