# The Beachcomber



Hernando Beach Property Owners Association Newsletter

Our next meeting will be held Thursday, March 5th, at 7:00pm at the HB Coast Guard Auxiliary, doors open at 6:45pm.

The purpose of this organization is to unite the property owners of Hernando Beach for Civic purposes that lead to improved quality of life.

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE BY DIANE M. GREENWELL

Greetings HBPOA Members!

Join us Thursday, March 5, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Coast Guard building for our March HBPOA meeting. During the month of March, I would like to challenge each of you to get one person or business to attend and join HBPOA. You can influence your neighbors into helping make a difference in our community with their \$25.00 membership. Membership fees from HBPOA have paid for street lights, fire hydrants, holiday lights down Shoal Line and at Triangle Park, mowing and landscaping at both the Triangle Park and 19, signage at Triangle Park, and many other improvements. These are first impression amenities that reflect on our entire community. Please encourage your neighbors in North, Central, and South Hernando Beach as well as our local businesses to join and help support our community's quality of life here in Hernando Beach. There are three ways they can join; on line at http:// www.hernandobeachpoa.com/hbpoa.html, mail a check to HBPOA, P.O. Box 3198, Spring Hill, Florida 34611-3198, or pay at the March meeting.

HBPOA continues to follow three commercial fishing operations of concern to property owners in Hernando Beach, and one zoning request change north of Flamingo Blvd. We encourage you to review these cases at: <u>https://www.hernandocountygis-fl.us/maptour/index.html?</u> config=PlanningApplicationActive.txt

We encourage Membership to write or call P&Z, and attend P&Z and BOCC meetings to influence decisions on these issues.

SE1908 S&T Boat Repair & Bait LLC, 3209 Shoal Line Blvd. – Special Exception Use Permit for holding and packing organic live seafood/shrimp. This case has been open since August 2019 and is an open issue before Planning & Zoning. This is a live shrimp shipping facility that has been operating in an improperly zoned parcel of Hernando Beach without the proper permits.

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- H1813 Ronald Birren -Nature Coast Marina, Shoal Line Blvd. – "Rezoning from C2, CM1 to CM1" (sic) – This facility has continued operating as CM2 off of Marlin Canal (South of Flamingo Blvd) yet only has a CM2 special zoning exception to moor boats larger than 26' for repairs. We continue to follow this issue.
- H1833 Sport Fisherman's Landing, Inc. request for a rezoning change from CM1 to PDP (CM) with specific CM-2 use for outdoor storage other than boat and screening – Postponed. This change would allow stone crab processing south of the designated commercial fishing area that has historically been recognized as north of Flamingo Blvd.
- H1962 5000 Calienta Street LLC request for 5.2 acres that are currently zoned PDP (RR) Planned Development Project (Resort Residential) and PDP (REC) Planned Development Project (Recreation) to be changed to <u>include</u> CM1 for the storage of trailers and activities associated with them.

The HBPOA Board will be considering a 2020 political candidates' forum this summer at the Coast Guard building. Our goal would be to have all Hernando County 2020 candidates participate to give our community an opportunity to meet and learn about their political goals for Hernando Beach and our county. We believe it is in the best interest of the community to be better informed about the choices of candidates for elected offices. This will be a March agenda item for discussion.

Mike Fulford, our HBPOA Vice President has some excellent speakers lined up this year who will be focused on issues relevant to Hernando Beach. If you have specific speakers or issues you would like to have addressed, please reach out to Mike. He can either put you in touch with someone to answer your questions, or try to make arrangements to have them speak at one of our meetings.

Please join us at the HBPOA meeting March 5<sup>th</sup> and become involved your community.

Don't forget to set your clocks forward on Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup> for Daylight Savings Time!

Diane Greenwell President, HBPOA

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### WATER QUALITY

By: David Snutes

This will be the fourth month that I will have been taking water samples from our canals and sending them to the University of Florida for analysis. I still haven't received any test results back. University of Florida did say it would take a few months before receiving the report with the results. As soon as the results are received, I will share them at HBPOA's next monthly meeting.

I do have some interesting news to report now. So far, I have been taking the water samples at high tide. This month I have received approval to submit 2 sets of water samples, one set at high tide and another set at low tide. A total of 12 water samples. It will be an interesting comparison and may determine which tide is best for sampling.

As mentioned at our HBPOA monthly meeting, the Board is considering an Environmental Group or subcommittee of some kind. This group can possibly consider all environmental issues that concern Hernando Beach, not just the water quality. Anybody that has an interest and wants to join to help establish such a group can private message me on Nextdoor or our HBPOA President, Diane Greenwell. Or if you prefer to contact me directly my email is <u>dsnutes@gmail.com</u>.

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HBPOA meetings are held the 1st Thursday of every month. Meetings are held at the Coast Guard Station on Calienta St, doors open at 6:45 pm and meetings start at 7 pm. **Dues are \$25.00 annually and include the Beachcomber Newsletter mailed to you. Annual dues become due and payable in January of every year and are NOT prorated.** Members who join in November or December are considered paid up as members for the following year.

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### MARCH SPEAKER

My name is David Gonzalez and I am the District Manager for Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative at the West Hernando office located here in Hernando County.

I was born in Tampa, Florida but our family moved to the Hudson area in the late 60's. Hudson in those days was quite rural. Our first address was Rural Route 42. After residing in Hudson for most of my life, my wife, Sally and I moved to Hernando County six years ago. We reside here in Hernando Beach and enjoy the many things that living on the water has to offer. We have 2 grown children. Our son lives in Tampa and our daughter lives in Jacksonville.

I have been with the Cooperative for 36 years. We have seen many changes over those years. The Cooperative continues to face many challenges to keep up with the growth here in Hernando County and throughout the other Counties we serve. However, we remain committed to bring our Members the best possible service at the lowest cost.

I have an Associate's Degree from Pasco Hernando Community College and a graduate of the Management Internship Program from the University of Wisconsin.

Currently, I am a Board Member for Oak Hill Hospital, Hernando County Housing Authority, Hernando County United Way and the Vincent Academy Adventure Coast. I also participate in many other community committees and events.

### **BY-LAWS COMMITTEE**

By: Kelly Reeve

Please visit our website HernandoBeachPOA.com to view the proposed new by-laws that will be presented at the March Membership Meeting.

### MINUTES OF HPBOA MEETING, COAST GUARD BUILDING FEBRUARY 6, 2020 @ 7:00 PM

Diane Greenwell, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, greeted all present, and invited Joe Wachs to lead those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The Vice-President, Mike Fulford, was then asked to introduce our speaker for the evening, Scott Herring, Hernando County Director of Public Works and County Engineering.

Mr. Herring began his presentation with slides to demonstrate six departments that work under the umbrella of his department and then provided a breakdown of those departments as follows:

- 1) County Engineering
  - a) Storm Water Engineering
  - b) Civil Design/Construction Management
  - c) Traffic Engineering
- 2) Road Maintenance/Operations



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- improvements) 6) Administration
- b) Administration

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b) Finance

Each of these areas were elaborated upon by Mr. Herring and many interesting facts came out. He shared that we have over 1200 miles of paved roadways to maintain and 233 miles of sidewalks plus 88 traffic signals and 61 school zone flashers. We have also 29 miles of multi-use paths, a truly amazing statistic according to Mr. Herring!

While all of the above information, including the enormous amount of responsibility that County Engineering handles, was very interesting and gave us a really healthy admiration for Mr. Herring and his staff of 134 (minus about 12 open positions) who work for him directly or indi-(*Continued on page 9*)



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Registration is required. Program is family friendly. Must have personal transportation.

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rectly, the main interest of members was related to more local issues. Mr. Herring was kind enough to give updates and take questions on several of these:

1) Triangle Park

a) Signage will be updated and simplified to provide more effective warning and guidance.

b) Speed limit will be reduced to 35 MPH on all approaches for a distance of 1/4 mile from the intersection.

c) The existing Stop Ahead sign has been supplemented with a flashing solar powered beacon.

d) All the striping at the intersection is to be redone.

e) Flexible delineator posts to be strategically placed.

2) Joint Project with HC Utilities and DPW

a) The goal is to resurface the roads throughout the W Richard area and Shoal Line

to Hushpuppy Lane once the other departments have completed their work on the

water and sewer lines.

b) This work will begin on 2/11/20 and will involve lane closures

Other important projects include: HB Fire House project which is in the design stage and will include incorporation of the murals; very necessary improvements to Calienta St. storm water run off which they are waiting on Pot 3 RESTORE Act money; Petit Lane realignment, HB Boat Lift which won't be completed until April or May, and Bayou Drive which the county is having to prove it owns.

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It seemed very clear that Mr. Herring and his department are very tuned in to important issues in HB that fall under their responsibility; furthermore, Mr. Herring was thanked for all that he is facilitating in our community. He entertained questions when his presentation was complete and was thanked sincerely for being such an informative speaker.

### BUSINESS MEETING

President Comments...Diane reminded the membership that she had included a copy of the Vision Plan which was worked on diligently back in 2016 and she elaborated a little on the broad purpose of the plan and where we hope to go with it starting now. Diane asked for a show of hands from the members to indicate interest and support and the response was very positive. She shared that some of the board members and other members of our community will be presenting our Vision Plan to the County on 2/24/20 and that there will be opportunities for input from the community as we move forward with the plan.

Minutes Approval....Diane asked whether there were any additions/corrections to the minutes of the Jan. POA meeting as posted in the Beachcomber. Pat Cordova, Secretary, stated that Dr. John Paul Reeve had brought to her attention an error in the GAC Committee report as under the GAC Report, the part of the senfollows: tence, "....a response from Chris Linsbeck, Zoning Su-(Continued on page 11)

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pervisor for HC, to a letter written by attorneys in favor of the rezoning of the property associated with the Sport Fisherman Landing, inc....." should have read, " a response to Chris Linsbeck's (Zoning Supervisor for HC) Letter of Determination regarding the rezoning of the property associated with Sport's Fisherman Landing, Inc....." This error will be corrected in the permanent minutes. Peter Burghaus moved that the minutes be accepted with the one correction and the motion seconded by Kathy Frase passed.

Treasurer's Report.....Sarah Hill reported that our balance on hand as of 1/1/2020 was \$22,426.77 and as of 1/31/2020 was \$20,647.68. The report will be filed for audit.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee.....Cathy Jasper reported that she and the other two members audited our books on 1/28/2020 and found one minor discrepancy of \$77.99 which was resolved by Bud and Kathy Frase. Cathy highly commended Bud Frase for his meticulous record keeping. She was then asked if the committee had any recommendations after having audited the books and replied that there were concerns about our paypal account which have been resolved and also some discussion about what appeared to be excessive expenses incurred last year by the Hospitality Committee.

GAC Report....Dr. John Paul Reeve reported on 4 (Continued on page 12)

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held in January and several things came from that. First Commission prior to any scheduled meeting or they will of all, the GAC has discussed the business as being not be read. Diane added that they should be turned in "clean and unique" but in the wrong location. Secondly by Thursday prior to a Monday meeting. The GAC agreed on Mr. Greenwell's presenting to S&T a list of questions to determine by their responses what new additions to our committee. Cathy Groves, Judith our community can agree with, if anything. Tentatively a Huges, Bobbi Caccamisi, JoAnn Serkey, Nancy Wachs, P&Z hearing is set for April on their Special Use Exemp- and Diane Ziemski. She thanked Bobbi and Judith for tion request.

Street, LLC. GAC supports a straight CM-1 zoning only bers to be sure to pick up their hospitality bags and couwith no added PDP's from other zonings and no overlay pons. of the current RR zoning, just a clean CM-1. March is the tentative date for a P&Z hearing.

3) Aquatic Preserve....GAC is in favor of this legislation which, if passed, would prevent HB from expanding into a port. This topic is on the BOCC agenda for dis- usual plea for help in weeding both the Triangle and UScussion on 2/11/2020.

awaiting a legal move from their attorney on Mr. Lins- ways to decrease our financial burden imposed by these beck's Letter of Determination upheld by our Commis- two areas having become the sole responsibility of the sioners 1/28/2020.

The GAC encourages HB residents to start sending letters to Ron Pianta and Omar DePablo at the P&Z de- ness sponsor the upkeep each month with perhaps a partment and the Commissioners sharing your position sign advertising the name of the sponsor or to ask the on #1 and 2 above. The email addresses will be listed County to take over the upkeep. More information will on Nextdoor. He also reminded us that any observed be forthcoming as we continue to work on this issue. violations of code/zoning should be reported to Code

Enforcement or Mr. Chris Linsbeck.

Don Bowers, member of the P&Z Department, re-1) S & T Boat Repair and Bait Shop...A PIW was minded everyone to turn in any petitions to the P&Z

Hospitality.....Diane Greenwell happily announced manning the sign in table and Nancy for bringing refresh-2) Gordon Wolf's PIW...His property is 5000 Calienta ments. Diane lastly encouraged any newly joined mem-

Landscaping....Diane Greenwell announced that the members of this committee include Gunter Woog, Kathy Watson, Marie Ferrand, Gladys Moore and Cal Holland and invited Gladys to give a report. Gladys made her 19 and suggested that rock be put at 19 instead of flower 4) Sport's Fisherman Landing, Inc....The status is beds. Diane added that the board has been exploring HBPOA when all of the community shares the benefits. Two examples might be to have a different local busi-

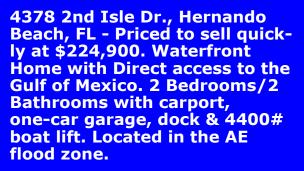
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### **2021 HBPOA CALENDARS**



We continue working on our 2021 HBPOA Calendar and are accepting high resolution photos from our community. Please email them to:

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with "Calendar Photos" in the subject line. Some of the page themes this year will include Port Authority projects, restaurants and food, commercial fishing operations, recreational boating and fishing, pets enjoying Hernando Beach, wildlife, Christmas Boat Parade and so much more! If you have photos that fall into these categories, be sure to send them to us for inclusion. We want our calendar to reflect Hernando Beach life at its best!

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1:30-2:30	TBA				
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10:00-10:30	Hernando Coast Guard Aux Flotilla 15-08 & National Anthem				
11:00-12:00	Brooke Sierra				
12:00-12:45	Swamp Monster Contest and T-Shirt Awards				
12:45-1:45	The Living Street				
2:15-3:15	John Hindman & The Mustang Mafia				
3:45-4:45	Blackstone Hill Band				
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10:30-11:30	Fred George and the Weeki Wachee Wed Warriors				
12:00-1:00	Firebirds				
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Beachcomber...Jennifer Brown encouraged members to take notice of our advertisers each month and to perhaps choose their services when needed. She also pointed out that anything a member might want included should be sent to her at the email address provided in the publication by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month. Following Jen's report, Diane asked the membership if they preferred getting a digital copy of the Beachcomber versus a hard copy since we now have a dedicated HBPOA email and can bulk email to membership. With the cost of postage and printing these days, this could provide a savings. She asked that anyone who would like to utilize this method should email her at hbpoa34607@gmail.com and a link will be sent as a reminder that the Beachcomber is available on the website each month. Gladys Moore pointed out bulk mail savings require a minimum of 200 copies minimum. We will continue to explore different options.

By-Laws Update....Kelly Reeve shared that this committee has been working very hard through 5 meetings already and that the expectation is that they will be ready to present their findings/recommendations to the membership at the March meeting.

Crime Watch....Jessie Manno, President, invited all residents to attend their monthly fund raising luncheon which will be held on 2/25/20 at Brians. He thanked Greg Fenton for his very generous donation of \$166.18 of car maintenance for the Crime Watch car. Their next meeting will be 2/12/20 at 7 PM at the VFW. He emphasized the need for more drivers.

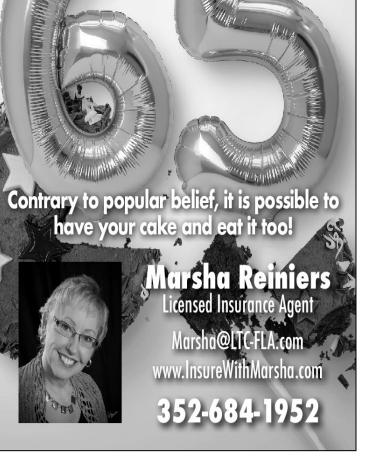
Environmental/Water Update....David Snutes informed us that the report on the water samples he sent to the Department of Environmental Protection has been delayed but he hopes to have it in a couple of weeks. He invited and encouraged any interested members in joining with him to form an Environmental Committee to explore approaches to helping HB residents to become more environmentally aware and proactive. He also stated that he is in favor of HB's becoming an aquatic preserve.

LMS....Chuck Greenwell reminded us that the Local Mitigation Strategy Group works with the Emergency Operations Center personnel and will have its next meeting on 2/26/20 at the Sheriff's Department at 18900 Cortez Blvd. He would really like to see other residents in addition to himself become involved in this very important work so that they can become aware of such current projects as the Risk Analysis Survey which is extremely important especially for our coastal community which has very specific risk factors that impact us if relief is sought after a natural disaster. Another example is that of a controlled burn of 25,000 acres being conducted by SWFWMD in conjunction with the State Forestry Division, more than they have done before. This will be done when weather and wind conditions are right later this month. Priorities and timelines for such things as Grant dollars for IRMA repairs, which are currently available for those homes that are in the running, are set at the LMS committee. Hernando Beach is in (Continued on page 18)

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the top three areas for increased fire risk, thus demon- September strating the importance of adequate fire protection.

Port Authority....In the absence of Frank Santos, Mike test as opposed to the calendar. Fulford reported that at their last meeting they continued to review their recommendations to Mr. Herring as to what NEW BUSINESS projects they deem worthy for Hernando County's waterways. They also had a briefing by an assistant County table provides the opportunity for the community residents Attorney on the Florida Sunshine Law as it applies to their as well as business leaders to share ideas in a creative organization. He reminded all of us that any communica- and innovative way. There is a change this year and we tion (email/phone call) with a municipal/county/state office want to move forward and embrace all property owners is subject to being called, ie, disclosure. He also used since this is a Property Owners Organization, not a this time to give a list of upcoming speakers for HBPOA: Homeowners. The round table is designed to bring peo-David Gonzales from Withlacoochee for March, Scott ple in with the hope that they will join us in our organiza-Hechler from Public Safety for April, Gordon Onderdonk tion. This will also be a good place to talk about our Vifrom Public Utilities for May, and our Sheriff for June.

### OLD BUSINESS

Calendar Photos....Diane stated that photos are Guard Building. coming in and also gave some insight as to some fresh ideas that are being explored for the calendar. Please BOARD send your photos to our hbpoa34607@gmail.com. Already there are more than 70 preorders from businesses, including The Silver Dol- by members. Joe Wachs began by moving that HBPOA phin and Weaver Group Realty.

Photo Contest....Diane reminded us that photos for the contest are to be sent to hbpoa34607@gmail.com also and noted as Photo Con-

Round Table....Chuck Greenwell shared that a round sion Plan. Chuck pointed out that while this will not be a HBPOA driven function, he is hopeful that HBPOA members turn out on Feb. 20, 2020, at 7 PM here at the Coast

#### **MEMBERSHIP** COMMENTS/ & website, ANNOUNCEMENTS

Diane opened the floor for any comments or concerns (Continued on page 20)





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purchase liability insurance and Gladys Moore seconded the motion. There ensued a lot of discussion re costs, importance of carrying such insurance realizing that the risk of being sued is not only for the organization but also for individuals within the association, the idea that we are put in danger of being sued if someone is injured at the Triangle. Mike Fulford suggested it is premature to vote tonight until the board has an opportunity to explore all of the options and issues involved with liability insurance, including getting more quotes on the cost. Mike Fulford moved to table the motion until the board can address it and bring their findings back to the March meeting. Cal Holland seconded the motion and it passed without dissent.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Diane reminded us that our next meeting will be March 5<sup>th</sup> here at the Coast Guard Building and also that the cut off date to renew membership is 2/28/20 and failure to do so by that time will make one ineligible to vote for 60 days.

### ADJOURNMENT

Jesse Manno moved for adjournment and Cathy Jasper seconded the motion which passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM followed by the 50/50 drawing.

Respectfully submitted, Patricia A. Cordova, Rec. Sec.



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8 Swamp Fest	9	10 Beachcomber Deadline	11 HB Crime Watch Meeting	12	13 HBC Dinner 6-11 pm	14
15	<b>16</b> US Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting 7pm	17	18 Port Authority Meeting 7pm	19	<b>20</b> HBC Dinner 6-11 pm	<b>21</b> Hernando Bar 5K/10K
22	23 Horseshoe Crab Watch	24	25	26	27 HBC Dinner 6-11 pm	28
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