ST. JOHNS COUNTY Cultural Resources Review Board

CULTURAL RESOURCES REVIEW BOARD MINUTES

Robert Olson Nick Jonihakis Janet Jordan Susan Schjelderup

Blair Knighting Christine Newman



SPECIAL MEETING

4040 Lewis Speedway Conference Room 1

Commissioner Krista Joseph, BCC Liaison Megan Wright, Staff Liaison

Tuesday, November 12, 2024

11-12-2024 CRRB Meeting audio recording: St. Johns County Cultural Resource Review Board Meeting: November 12, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Nick Jonihakis, Chair Christine Newman, Vice Chair Janet Jordan Blair Knighting Robert Olson Dr. Leslee Keys **MEMBERS ABSENT:** Susan Schjelderup (only physically absent, did phone into the meeting)

STAFF PRESENT:

Megan Wright, Environmental Specialist Ryan Mauch, Environmental Supervisor Michael Lagassé, Environmental Manager Mike Roberson, Growth Management Director

PUBLIC PRESENT:

Sallie O'Hara, Hastings Main Street, Inc Ed Slavin (via phone) Karen Taylor Charlie Hunt

- Called meeting to order at 1:30pm
- General public comment for items not on the agenda 3 minutes per speaker
 - Ed Slavin: to re-establish the cultural resource/historic department in this building.
 - Dr. Keys: The DHR Special Category Grant seminars and decisions will be Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.
- Approval of Agenda *
 - Motion by Christine Newman, seconded by Dr. Leslee Keys

AGENDA ITEMS

Public comment for items on the Agenda will be held after each item is addressed by the Board (3 minutes)

- 1. Mike Roberson, explained the process behind Inspire and board commenting. Hasn't done an overhaul since 2000. Robert Olson asked about the practicality of a few processes, where certain protected areas begin and end/how development impacts protected area. He also asked about signage along roads and protected areas along the County's roads, trails and scenic highways. Karen Taylor explained signage from a planner's point of view. Olsen spoke about the Robinson PUD, inquired about the process of a Cultural Resource Assessment Survey (CRAS) and the logistical behind-the-scenes of reviewing PUDs.
- 2. Jonihakis gathered Dr. Keys and Newman's comment for A.1.4 but for the entire document. They noted that wherever the word historic is mentioned, that we replace and add with historical and archeological. Dr. Keys proposed for the County to carry out public education activities to be added in A.1.5. Dr. Keys inquired what the verb evaluation connotates in terms of tax exemption. Mauch answered with the recent ordinance for the tax exemption that followed due to the State updating their ordinance. For section C.1.4 Historic Housing, replace Historic Resource Review Board and any future occurrences, with CRRB. Replace the word housing with the word building. For section E.1.6, Christine Newman proposed that archaeological sites should be added in next to historically significant sites. Dr. Keys proposed that TDRs, transfer of development rights, need to be spelled out. She also proposed that the new Economic Development Director should be invited to the next CRRB meeting. For section E.2.2.6, Ms. Schjelderup proposed that the specific species under this section be clearly stated. However, the Listed Species would be dozens of pages. For section E.2.4, Lagassé dispersed handouts of A.1.3 which outlines Future Land Use Policy. The right to submit a comp plan amendment as a property owner is vital. Blair Knighting and Dr. Keys emphasized that additional signage is needed to properly allow the public to know that they exist, so that they can take advantage of programs and trails.

Dr. Keys suggests that we look into the role of Environmental Specialist as it applies to ensuring that CLG grant money is being properly allocated. There was discussion of the artifacts, antiques, and collections in the County office. CRRB members want to write a recommendation for the comp plan to have an updated staff description for the role of Cultural Liaison. Newman will draft a document regarding curation. The 2050 Draft Comp Plan will be presented at the routine December 5th Board of County Commissioners meeting.

Adjourned at 3:24 pm

Minutes approved on the _____, 2024.

Chair Cultural Resource Review Board