

Key West Clean and Green Committee.

Monday August 13, 2007

Noon at City Hall, 525 Angela Street

Located in the first floor conference room

Minutes

Attendees:

Jody Smith Williams
Chris Belland
Bonnita Myers
Jim Singelyn
Jim Malcolm
Patti McLaughlin
Martin Lehmann
Rodney Corriveau

1. Review minutes from last meeting – update: Annalise has written the letter to the City Manager asking for:

- permission to have the sub committee work with the City Attorney to modify codes for recycling and other issues;
- permission to use city mailing services for direct marketing to landscapers, realtors that can have a major impact on achieving our goals.
- His assistance in requiring staff to start a required city recycling program;
- His assistance in creating a code that requires residential recycling of cans and bottles.

She just sent the letter Friday so does not expect a response yet.

2. Adopt an Area – new groups - Atlantis house – Atlantic Blvd by Rest Beach/Indigenous Park; Affiliated Design – Louisa 600 block

3. Next Clean-Ups –

- a. **Next clean-up has been changed to Oct 6 meet at 8:00 AM at Bayview Park;**
- b. After that the next is November 17
- c. Chris volunteered to make all the necessary community contacts (community associations).
- d. Request for cleanup at Flagler – Mangrove Areas - Catholic Charities and Synagogue – We will have it the same day at the cleanup – and ask each organization to help find volunteers for their area since it is private property, but we will offer support and hopefully water side cleaning in Riveria Canal. The trash from the inland side will have to be placed on the side of the road and paid for as part of their commercial pick up.

4. Mayors Award –They are willing to supply the signs. We need to work out the program and details.

5. Code Enforcement of Items Required by Planning Process:

We have found that many sites have either filled in their stormwater swales – which are required to be “green” (filled with plants) or are not maintaining the plants required to be installed due to planning agreements or building code. Code Compliance needs to take action on this but it is questionable if a good enforcement program can be implemented if code cannot identify the requirements with ease. Jim Singelyn from the City’s Planning Dept. investigated if our new computer system, Naviline permitting system, will be able to capture the old information as well as the new, but it cannot. We will have to make assumptions then code can go through the files.

6. Code Review Sub Committee – Suggestions to team – volunteers on area of real estate and contractors – Annalise will find some. Suggestion to change the mowing code to a length rather than number of time per year since it is hard to prove one has not mowed.

7. Pamphlets inserted in sewer bill – and monthly reminders. Patti announced that the fee for the monthly reminders in the sewer bills has been paid and we can have them now. The first month says Tip of the Month - ***Everything that goes into our storm drains makes it's way to our waters, and to where we swim. Keep motor oil, litter, sand and grass clippings from getting into our streets.***

8. Patti also announced that Ian takes care of the TV station and our psa’s can get on channel 77.

9. Annalise asked for volunteers to assist with modifying print, video, and electronic PSA media since Virginia Panico said she would take it all and get it to the specific venues.

10. KWDEP has been asked to attend next week explain what their role is in code enforcement. The regular code people do not enforce anything that has to do with sewer or stormwater. The KWDEP has only an answering machine during the day. The recommendation from Bonnita is to call Code and they will then assign the call.

11. Recycle program – Updates on program. RB wants some specific suggestions on where and how to market the program.

12. Presentations Annalise Sept 11 Sunset Rotary; Chris Attractions Association

13. Marketing Recycling – RB still wants suggestions as to how to spend his promotional money. Suggestion were E-mail; personal requests; community

meetings; perhaps promoting that we have changed and what our goals are so people trust if they start again it will get picked up.