PELICAN BAY SERVICES DIVISION
LANDSCAPE & SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
MARCH 12, 2018

The Landscape & Safety Committee of the Pelican Bay Services Division met on Monday, March 12 at 1:00 p.m. at the Community Center at Pelican Bay, located at 8960 Hammock Oak Drive, Naples, Florida 34108. The following members attended.

Landscape & Safety Committee
Joe Chieurel, Chairman
Tom Cravens

Bohdan Himiak
Mike Shepherd
Gary Ventress (absent)

Pelican Bay Services Division Staff
Neil Dorrill, Administrator
Marion Bolick, Operations Manager (absent)

Mary McCaughty, Operations Analyst
Lisa Jacob, Associate Project Manager
Barbara Shea, Recording Secretary

Also Present
Dave Cook, Pelican Bay Foundation

Susan O’Brien, PBSD Board
Scott Streckenbein, PBSD Board

APPROVED AGENDA (AS PRESENTED)

1. Call to order
2. Pledge of allegiance
3. Agenda approval
4. Approval of 02/15/18 meeting minutes
5. Audience comments
6. Sidewalk discussion
7. 41 Berm discussion
8. Cul-de-sac pathway collapses on west side (lake side) of Oakmont Pkwy.
9. “No outlet” sign on Crayton Rd. discussion
10. Committee member comments
11. Adjournment

ROLL CALL
Mr. Ventress was absent and a quorum was established

AGENDA APPROVAL

Mr. Cravens motioned, Mr. Shepherd seconded to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
APPROVAL OF 02/15/18 MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Cravens motioned, Mr. Hirniak seconded to approve the 02/15/18 meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Mr. Bill Flashings requested that the PBSD consider planting trees in the PBSD maintenance building mulch area, in order to improve the view from adjacent residential properties. He also commented on seeing numerous trucks on PBSD property. Mr. Dorril responded that (1) he will obtain pricing for sabal palms, which may be planted near the mulch area, and (2) Collier County Security, at the government center, monitors the PBSD maintenance area via cameras.

SIDEWALK DISCUSSION

Dr. Chicurel summarized his takeaways from residents speaking at the last two board meetings: (1) save the trees, (2) no concrete, (3) the PBSD maintenance cost estimates are very low, and (4) the County needs to participate in funding (pathway maintenance repairs and/or replacement) as we are a donor community.

Dr. Chicurel commented that we need an overall holistic approach. Based on recent comments by Mr. Dorril and Mr. Durham, we should not anticipate that the County would participate financially in a replacement project.

Mr. Hirniak suggested that the PBSD request that the County provide the design/construction plans for a replacement project. The committee agreed that the total cost of a replacement project is unknown at this time.

Mr. Dorril commented that Mr. Durham is in the process of organizing a meeting with Mr. Jay Ahmad, Director of Transportation Engineering and Construction Management, to discuss the County’s five-year construction plans. Mr. Dorril suggested that since the PB pathway infrastructure was conveyed to the County about 30 years, the question, “What’s your plan?” could be asked of the County in regard to the maintenance/replacement of our pathways.

By consensus of the committee and Mr. Dorril, it was agreed that the PBSD would task our ABB engineers to evaluate the sidewalk system in Pelican Bay as they did once before, to determine a preliminary working figure for replacement, which would be based on concrete six-foot wide, ADA compliant, and include the primary collector roadways.

Ms. O’Brien suggested that the requested ABB scope of services include an estimated number of trees which would be lost as a result of pathway replacement.

41 BERM DISCUSSION

Mr. Dorril commented on the completed survey of the missing landscaping (from hurricane Irma) on the US 41 berm. This survey will be utilized to develop a plan (to be prepared by a landscape architect) and specifications for the project to be put out for bid. The landscape plan will be provided to the committee upon completion (expected to be late spring/early summer).

Mr. Dave Cook commented on the importance of tree replacement (IRMA damage) along PB Blvd. and asked for an update on the status of replacing these trees. Dr. Chicurel and Mr. Dorril commented that the PBSD’s current priority is US 41 landscape replacement.

CUL-DE-SAC PATHWAY COLLAPSES ON WEST SIDE OF OAKMONT PKWY.
Dr. Chicurel provided photos of subsidence occurrences along the west side of Oakmont Pkwy., and questioned who has maintenance responsibility.

Mr. Dorrill commented that the County has ordered a title search to prove whether or not, the drainage easements, as shown on the plat, were subsequently vacated or altered through a cancellation agreement, to benefit the adjacent property owners. He also commented that the PBSD is responsible for the surface water management system once it gets to the first lake and beyond. The County is responsible “before it gets to the first lake.”

Mr. Dave Cook questioned whether the drainage pipes, for which the PBSD is responsible, are functioning properly. Mr. Dorrill commented that staff has discussed “spot checking” our drainage pipes.

“NO OUTLET” SIGN ON CRAYTON RD. DISCUSSION

Dr. Chicurel commented on the request by Crayton Rd. residents for a “No outlet” sign to be installed at the entrance to Crayton Rd., at the corner of PB Blvd., and provided a definition of “no outlet” in the agenda packet. Mr. Streckenbein commented on his being contacted by six homeowners associations on this issue, and suggested that these residents are seeking methods to deter vehicles and bicyclists from entering Crayton Rd.

Ms. O’Brien commented on her observations of vehicles and bicyclists entering Crayton Rd. from PB Blvd. She observed no u-turning vehicles.

Mr. Cravens motioned, Mr. Hirniak seconded to recommend to the full board that we place a “No outlet” sign at Pelican Bay Blvd. at the entrance to Crayton Rd. The motion carried 3-1, with Mr. Shepherd dissenting.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Cravens suggested that the PBSD request that the Sheriff’s Office enforce bicycle traffic to adhere to the same laws as vehicle traffic. Dr. Chicurel offered to make this request.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:31 p.m.