

**CITY PIER PARK COMMITTEE  
(CPPC)  
CITY OF ANNA MARIA  
SHORT FORM MINUTES  
for  
January 9, 2015**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Bob Patten at 1:00 PM.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Stevie Coppin, John Chambers, Dusty Crane, Ruth Uecker and Liza Walker.  
**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mayor Dan Murphy, Scribe Kathy Patten, Rick Catlin (The Islander Newspaper), Tom Vaught (The AMI Sun Newspaper).

**ITEMS DISCUSSED:**

1. Chairman Patten introduced Mayor Murphy who thanked the committee members for volunteering for serving on this very important project. He charged the committee to develop a concrete plan to be presented to the City Commission in an expedient time frame to be done by the first quarter of this year. Mayor Murphy outlined funds available in the budget that may be sought with possible additional funding from other sources. After a brief Q & A from members, the mayor excused himself from the meeting.
2. Chairman Patten asked the committee members to introduce themselves.
3. Liza Walker was unanimously chosen as the Vice-Chairperson. Kathy Patten, resident, volunteered to take minutes of the meetings.
4. The chairman distributed a booklet, "A Pocket Guide to Florida's Government-in-the-Sunshine Laws: Open Meetings & Public Records," describing the Sunshine Law and explained how it would govern the members' communications with one another pertaining to CPPC matters. All discussions must be held in open public meetings.
5. The chairman distributed information related to the City Pier Park's history including former City Commission meeting minutes and past media articles from local newspapers. He, also, distributed information on the Manatee County's Tourist Development Council, sustainable tourism, the zoning map and the city ordinance regulation, "DIVISION 7.—PRA, PUBLIC RECREATION AREA DISTRICT," and the previous plan prepared by Gene Aubry.
6. Newsmen Tom Vaught and Rick Catlin offered their background experiences on the property's history.
7. The chairman requested that the committee members reach out to the people in the city for their ideas regarding the use of the property, read the packet of information provided. He directed them to develop a list of preliminary proposals to share to all at the next meeting.

**CONSENSUS/ACTION TAKEN/MOTIONS MADE ON ITEMS DISCUSSED (IF ANY):**

1. Schedule of meetings was developed to include weekly meetings of no more than one and one-half hours in length. The members agreed to meet on Thursdays at 10:00 AM. However, after the meeting was adjourned, Mayor Murphy informed the chairman that that time was scheduled by another committee. Therefore, Chairman Patten informed the CPPC members by email that the meetings will be scheduled on Fridays at 10:00 AM. All agreed to the new schedule.
2. It was agreed by all to create a proposal plan to submit to the City Commission by March 1, 2014.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 PM. Next meeting date and time: Friday, January 16 at 10:00 am.

Minutes submitted by: Kathy Patten, Scribe \_\_\_\_\_