PORT ST. JOHN DEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES

The Port St. John Dependent Special District Board met in regular session on Wednesday, March 11, 2015, at 6:00 p.m., at the Port St. John Library, 6500 Carole Ave., Port St. John, Florida.

Board members present were: Vaughan Kimberling; Carmella Chinaris; Greg Messer; and Peter Costello; and Maureen Rupe.

Staff members present were: Cindy Fox, Planning and Enforcement Manager; and Jennifer Jones, Special Projects Coordinator II.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Vaughan Kimberling, at 6:21 p.m.

Chairman/Vice Chairman Nominations

Vaughan Kimberling called for nominations for Chairman.

Carmella Chinaris - I nominate you for Chair.

Maureen Rupe - I'll second.

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – Are there any other nominations for Chair? I will accept the nomination.

Vaughan Kimberling called for a vote on the motion as stated, and it passed unanimously.

Vaughan Kimberling called for nominations for Vice Chairman.

Maureen Rupe – I vote for Carmella Chinaris, please.

Vaughan Kimberling – I'll second that. Do you accept?

Carmella Chinaris - I do.

Vaughan Kimberling – Do we have any other nominations for Vice Chair?

Vaughan Kimberling called for a vote on the motion as stated, and it passed unanimously.

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – Our next administrative item is the acceptance of the February 12, 2014, meeting minutes. Everyone should have received those minutes in the mail. Are there any items for discussion or objections, or changes requested to the minutes as written? Do we have a motion to approve the minutes?

<u>Carmella Chinaris</u> – I move that we approve the minutes as written.

Maureen Rupe - Second.

Vaughan Kimberling called for a vote on the motion as stated, and it passed unanimously.

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – After the meeting, I wanted to make the other members of this board aware of the legislative intent that's going to the State about this advisory board.

Jennifer Jones – Yes, I have copies of that ordinance, also.

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – Okay, thank you. I have a lot of questions for it, for the staff, a lot of questions. I guess there has been some flak from the North Merritt Island. I was wondering, this special meeting on March 30th, which I haven't had any notification of....

<u>Jennifer Jones</u> – It's just for North Merritt Island.

Maureen Rupe - Why?

<u>Jennifer Jones</u> – So they can hear the Comp Plan Amendment.

Maureen Rupe – But it's the same, it's exactly the same.

Jennifer Jones – But it's for an item that's actually on North Merritt Island.

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – Right, but.....do you want me to talk to someone else?

<u>Jennifer Jones</u> – Yes, I think you should wait until Cindy gets here, and after the applicant, who has spent money to be here.....

Maureen Rupe – Yes, we can do this afterwards. I don't want to keep these people waiting here any longer.

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – While we're still waiting for the other County person to get here, just a little bit of housekeeping: During the hearing it is important that anyone from the audience that wishes to speak, wait for acknowledgement and then step up to the podium. When you're speaking, please do so loudly and clearly, and begin by stating your name for the record. If there are follow-up questions from the audience, please raise your hand to speak. You will be asked to step up to the podium, you will have five minutes to speak, and begin by stating your name and ask your question. Board members, please state your name prior to making your initial comments and questions tonight. Also, please refrain from talking over each other, it makes it easier for record keeping. Are there any questions from the board?

Peter Costello – What's the time limit on speaking?

Vaughan Kimberling – Five minutes.

III.B.1. (14PZ-00122) – GLEN E. AND DAWN M. SPACE – (Krupal Patel) – request a CUP (Conditional Use Permit) for Alcoholic Beverages (beer & wine only) for On Premises Consumption in Conjunction with a Restaurant, in a BU-1-A (Restricted Neighborhood Retail Commercial) zoning classification, on 0.8 acres, Located on the northwest corner of Fay Blvd., and Arabella Lane (926 Fay Blvd., Port St. John)

PSJ Recommendation: Costello/Rupe - Approved. Vote was 4:1, with Chinaris voting nay.

<u>Dawn Space</u> – I'm Dawn Space, owner of the restaurant. The commercial building, I should say.

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – If you would go ahead and state your case, your reasoning for the permit.

<u>Dawn Space</u> – I just feel that the tenants, they would like to be able to have a beer and wine license. I think it's something that would help their restaurant at the same time. It is a beer and wine license that they're applying for, and I can't see why not. I think it would be okay, that's my opinion.

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – I have a couple of questions for you. One of my concerns is parking. Based on the size of the building itself, it's 1,350 square feet, and for every 100 square feet you have to have a parking spot, and you have met that, as you have 14 parking spaces, but my question is, if you get conditional use permit for the alcoholic sales – the beer and wine – do you foresee an increase in traffic there where you might need more parking spaces?

<u>Dawn Space</u> – I don't know. I wouldn't think so because I would think the parishioners [sic] that are coming in there to have a meal is basically who would want to drink. I don't think people will just come in there to have beer and wine. I think it would be the customers that come in there to have a meal that might want a beer. So, I don't really see that.

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – Do you know how many employees are there?

<u>Dawn Space</u> – No, I do not.

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – Are there any questions from the board?

Carmella Chinaris – Are any of the servers under 18?

Dawn Space – I don't know that. You'd have to ask the tenant.

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – How long have you owned the property?

<u>Dawn Space</u> – My husband and my brother owned it since 1996 and since then, my brother has.....we bought him out, and my husband and I have owned it.

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – I do not recall a request coming forward before for a conditional use permit on the property for this purpose. Is this the first time this has been requested, that you know of?

<u>Dawn Space</u> – Actually, when my husband and my brother were in business – I can't be totally sure – I do believe he tried to get a beer and wine license in 1996 when we had a pizza restaurant there. It's been a long time, but nobody else has asked.

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – I don't think there are any more questions for you at this time. Are the restaurant owners willing to step up?

Charles Baranger - My name is Baranger, I've been associated with the Patel's for over 10 years, first as their salesman. I'm retired from U.S. Food Service. I've been with them in the restaurant business for the last 10 years and they have taken a huge step forward in opening up at the location at 926 Fay Blvd. Prior to that, they've always had takeout facilities inside grocery stores, so this is their first step in going into food service in a restaurant. They have put some time and some money invested in it. They are long-term lease holders of the property, and they have the rights to lease that property for the next 18 years, with the potential to purchase the property. We understand the property has undergone, unfortunately, many transformations, and we're hoping that this will be the last one. They are a family-oriented business, and we want to assimilate into the community and have started supporting some of the programs and the youth programs here. Going into this venture, there was really no thought of beer and wine, but now that we are there, there have been so many local residents who come in there and inquire about a beverage, either beer or a glass of wine, and we tell them we don't have it and it's not available. Unfortunately, they leave and they go down to U.S. 1. Most of the comment we've heard is, when we get a beer and wine license they will come in and have dinner with us. That's presently going on right now into the current day. The way the economy is, and trying to be somewhat competitive with other businesses here, and to provide the service that the local citizens are asking us for, they've taken the next step in applying for that license. It's my understanding that they've met all of the requirements of that location and met all of the requirements of the County, and by no means do we want to be a bar. The last thing on our minds is a bar. It's just another way of servicing the patrons who will frequent the establishment and hopefully make it a viable establishment there. We can be part of the community for the next 18 years. That's basically what I have to say, and it's a factor of demand by local residents and trying to become a more viable restaurant. We hate to turn anybody away. As I said, we have no intentions of being a

bar. It's a family oriented location, and that's what we're about. We're providing a quality product at a reasonable price for the residents of Port St. John. Do you have any questions?

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – My question to you is, traffic and parking, with the added sales of beer and wine, do you foresee an increase in traffic into the restaurant?

<u>Charles Baranger</u> – There could always be a foreseen increase in traffic with or without beer and wine as we become more established in the neighborhood. Fortunately, the restaurant sits on a good parcel of land, and in the back there is adequate property to increase parking in the back if need be, but I don't really foresee such a flow of traffic that would require that right now. There is land back there that additional parking could be placed on.

Vaughan Kimberling – Do the employees park back there?

<u>Charles Baranger</u> – Right now, the employees are parking on the side of the property. There's parking there for about eight vehicles, and usually there is about no more than four or five vehicles there. The gate is locked back there, but it could be opened for future parking if needed.

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – So, as far as the ingress and egress going into and out of the parking lot area, one of the items that was flagged is that this could have the potential of impacting ingress and egress into and out of the property because of the increased traffic. Do you foresee that as a problem?

<u>Charles Baranger</u> – There's egress both on Fay Blvd. and Arabella, and there's stop signs there. There seems adequate driveways on both sides on both roads.

Vaughan Kimberling – Any questions from the board?

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – The property you're talking about the cars parking, is it your property, all of it? Or are you saying in the future you could work something out with this property, or with whoever owns it?

Charles Baranger – It's one parcel, 926 Fay Blvd.

Maureen Rupe - You don't own it?

Charles Baranger – No, Dawn owns it.

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – I was just seeing if something could be worked out if it's feasible, if there's something that can be done to enlarge the parking lot.

<u>Charles Baranger</u> – Of course it could be done, if could be graveled over, and it could be asphalted. It could hold quite a few cars back there. It's a good piece of land.

<u>Peter Costello</u> – It has always held vehicles of all manner and sort, commercial. Over the past 15, 20, 30 years, its held commercial vehicles and equipment.

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – Any further questions from the board? Is there anybody from the audience who would like to come up and speak? If there's no further questions.....

<u>Carmella Chinaris</u> – Actually, I want to make everyone in the audience aware that we have received these two. I'm holding a letter from Ann Cimino, who lives at 958 Arabella, and although unable to attend, it says, "Please, for the sake of all of us in this neighborhood, deny this request. I, as a senior citizen, am representing all others on our street, and am asking you to do this for our protection. This is a quiet residential neighborhood,

not a bar property." And I want to call your attention to another letter received from Mike Houston, and, "I'm against this for several reasons....right next door to a child care facility." So, that is another one from the neighborhood speaking against the proposed change. Then I have another question for our County person, which is, if we were to allow this change would it stay with the property no matter who owns it or rents there?

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – The approval for the conditional use permit would be. You can place a condition on it that says it has to be an accessory to food service, or a restaurant, so there is always alcohol with food at the restaurant. The actual alcohol license – the person's name – they can sell that license if they were to sell the business, they can sell that license and continue on, but that's through the State. The conditional use permit would stay with the property as long as the use is not abandoned.

<u>Peter Costello</u> – I think on one of these letters, the letter from Mike Houston, it says, 'right next door to the childcare facility'. That's not exactly correct, it is across the street, but I think it's an important point.

<u>Carmella Chinaris</u> – On our stuff that we got from the County, there's this section, 62-1906, requires that no churches or schools be within 300 ft. of the restaurant, and it acknowledges that although there are no churches or schools within 400 ft. of the restaurant, there is a daycare to the east, across Arabella. I would like to just state that although I'm sure with the conscientious of the current tenants, that they would do everything to avoid any kind of problems, I feel that because it is mostly residential around and there's the divide of the railroad tracks before the other areas where there are package stores, but as far as I know, no other beer or wine licenses other than package, and because of the daycare center and the traffic issue, I am against allowing the change.

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – I'm sure I'm going to go back now a few years, probably going on 30, and if you remember, there were a lot of spot zoning up Fay Blvd. They put commercial mainly on the first part of the streets, the first two houses at the beginning, and this was all over Port St. John, just down Fay Blvd. There's still some houses that are zoned commercial. Now, we tried to get rid of them, but we couldn't, and that's fine. So, the zoning on the daycare center, what could go in if they sold the daycare business?

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – Where the daycare is located is BU-1, which is our General Retail Commercial zoning, so you could put anything in there. You could do minor automobile repairs, a fast food restaurant, a Publix, a Family Dollar, or any of those types of uses.

Maureen Rupe – That's what I was thinking, what could go in there.

Vaughan Kimberling – Any other questions or comments?

Kari Grinstead – My name is Kari Grinstead, and I'm the owner of the daycare. I'm not sure how I'll help; I'll probably be more of a question and answer type of thing. I have my pros and cons. On a personal level, I would go to a restaurant and maybe I would have a glass of wine with my meal, so it would be unfair for me to say that that's not okay, but from a professional perspective, having the daycare I need to think of my profession first and the people on the property. There's a small window of time that the restaurant will be open and we'll be open, so we do close at 6:00 p.m., so we aren't there in the evenings and we aren't there on the weekends. So, there's really no conflict there. As far as the parking, I know when it's been a successful restaurant there they use my parking every evening and every weekend. I do not have a problem with it. In the past, I haven't had a problem with it. Do I foresee something in the future? I don't know, it would be unfair, but I know in the history I have not had a problem with them parking there. They've been respectful and waiting until we close in order to park there. I did reach out to the parents of the daycare, because this is their children that is there, and no one has spoken up to tell me yay or nay, so it's kind of hard. I'm not giving a stance one way or the other, but I'm willing to answer questions that you may need to help make this decision.

Peter Costello – Is there any reason you would ever foresee staying open beyond 6:00?

Kari Grinstead – No, that's it, 6:00 p.m.

Peter Costello – You've been there how long?

Kari Grinstead – I've been there since 1998.

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – What do you envision that could happen with beer and wine, most places you go have beer and wine and you don't come out raving drunk. I understand your concern, but what do you envision perhaps happening that makes you fearful.

<u>Kari Grinstead</u> – I don't know that I'm fearful. My question was going to be, is there a limit as to how many drinks can be served in a sitting when they come in to eat, but individuals are responsible for their own selves, they can leave Kelsey's and live down Arabella and come around and something happen coming down the street. So, it's about being a responsible adult and how they choose to drive after they've been drinking, but I do know there are a lot of accidents at that intersection. I've had a couple of motorcycle people land in our driveway, so that intersection is a little scary, alcohol or not, it is still a little scary and kind of a rough place to be. I don't have a big fear.

Maureen Rupe - You're not afraid that anybody is going to come out and steal a child?

<u>Kari Grinstead</u> – No, we do watch the property, I do have cameras, and if we see anybody sitting around that shouldn't be there we do challenge them or we call the police, so I don't see a fear in that, no.

<u>Krupal Patel</u> – Her question was if there was a limit on how many beer and wine we could serve a person. We do have a right, when we see they are going overboard, we can say that 'this is it, we cannot serve you'. We own a convenience store, too, and when they come in to buy a 12 pack or six-pack and we see that the person is drunk and they cannot have any more alcohol we refuse them. We do have right to refuse. And that is what we will do, that limit of one or two beers per person, or per order, not like fill it up with the beer and wine and only one item to eat. Secondly, people drink more beer at a bar and less food, it's like 90% beer and 10% food. When they come to a restaurant, it's 90% food and maybe not even 10% beer, or wine. So, the chances of them being drunk, or being not themselves, are very minimal.

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – I have a question for Cindy. Do some restaurants, they have so much food and so much alcohol served.

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – That has to do with the State alcohol license. This is the way I believe it still is, when they do alcohol sales in conjunction with the restaurant, it's a special license and 51% of their income has to come from food, so I think that's still how it works, but that's all done at the State level.

Maureen Rupe – I know there are some restaurants that can only serve 20% alcohol.

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – I'm not sure what kind of license they would apply for. There's a big cost difference between the licenses as well.

Carmella Chinaris – Thank you for coming forward.

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – I do have a follow-up question for you, Ms. Patel. I notice on the floorplan that you do not have any outside seating. Are there any plans in the future for outside seating?

<u>Krupal Patel</u> – If we increase the parking and if we see that we need outside seating, then. If the parking is going to stay as it is, no, we do not plan to have outside, only inside. Especially, we don't want anybody to sit

outside and drink beer and have a kid across the street playing and wondering what they are drinking. So, no, we do not.

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – How many seats does your restaurant hold?

Krupal Patel - I believe 32.

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – Thank you. Are there any more questions from the board? Any more comments from the audience?

<u>Carmella Chinaris</u> – I just want to reiterate that I know you would be conscientious, I do, but my fear is not only that the neighborhood is not appropriate for the beer and wine license, but I also worry greatly about when you get your winning lotto ticket and you don't want your business anymore, opening the door the way we have in the past, not wanting to, but opening the door for different.....because once something is established in an area it is very easy for the next person on either side to get the same kind of leeway. So, again, I am not in favor of this being granted.

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – Just for my clarification, the daycare is classified as a BU-1-B?

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – No, just BU-1.

Maureen Rupe – That's quite a few things that could go in there.

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – Someone could open a restaurant and request a beer and wine license on it.

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – So, at this point, at that intersection, if I understand it right, whether or not we support or reject this CUP tonight, the daycare is already licensed and zoned for a commercial establishment, whether it's a Family Dollar, another restaurant, so it really doesn't matter at this point.

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – They can come in and ask for a conditional use permit for alcohol. We've had hair salons and nail salons, and even a florist shop come in for alcohol sales, so it's not unusual for a company to want interesting uses sometimes.

Vaughan Kimberling – If there's no more discussion, is there a motion from the board?

Carmella Chinaris – I move that we deny the change.

Motion died for lack of a second.

Peter Costello - I move that we accept.

Maureen Rupe - Second.

Vaughan Kimberling called for a vote on the motion as stated, and it passed 4:1, with Carmella Chinaris voting nay.

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – Just a clarification on the motion, Mr. Chair, it is in conjunction with a restaurant only, is that correct?

Vaughan Kimberling – Correct.

<u>Krupal Patel</u> – I would like to say one more thing. We are here, it's going to be our six-month anniversary next Sunday, and in six months we've never had any kind of problem, no issues. The citizens here are responsible, so I don't think they will consume beer at lunch time. It's mainly for dinner time, so I am hoping, because I know the daycare is right next to us, I'm hoping that....and if we see someone going overboard we are going to stop them. We want to make money, but not like that, not following the rules.

<u>Carmella Chinaris</u> – Thank you, very much, for being a good neighbor.

<u>Vaughan Kimberling</u> – This recommendation goes on to the County Commission for their meeting on April 2nd in Viera, and that's when the final decision will be made.

Proposed Ordinance and Legislative Intent Discussion

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – Before I go into it, let me just say, Cindy, I'm talking now about the legislative intent that's just gone up to the State about Port St. John and North Merritt Island advisory boards.

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – It was just approved on March 3rd. This ordinance is just to take us through the process, so this is going to be heard by the LPA and North Merritt Island, and then the Board of County Commissioners for the ordinance approval.

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – But let's go before that. I saw the ordinance itself and all the emails that went back and forth from Morris Richardson. I just want to say I don't think we've been informed at all on this board about this.

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – No, in fact, this was all about the North Merritt Island Special District and staff has been the one to go ahead and include Port St. John because it was not an issue before, but because they are both special dependent boards we felt that they both needed to come in line with the State Statutes, and that's really what this ordinance is all about.

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – But the State Statutes, it sounds to me, don't seem to say about the....I'm getting mixed up on myself, there was so much to do with this one that really sent me into a.....

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – The only thing that's changing is that portion that's underlined and stricken through. Everything else is staying the same.

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – I agree with that, but what I'm trying to say is what went to the North Merritt Island board, it didn't go through the board for a change of comp plan. I forgot, it was a......

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – Are you talking about items that have been brought in front of the North Merritt Island board?

Maureen Rupe – I'm talking about.

Carmella Chinaris – Are you talking about the future land use?

Maureen Rupe - No.

Jennifer Jones – A small scale plan amendment?

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – Yes, the amendments, the change in...what do we call them?

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – When you make a change to the comp plan it is called small scale plan amendment.

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – No, I know that, I meant when we.....you know that piece of land that the whole thing was over?

Cindy Fox – The residential subdivision owned by Harvey Groves?

Maureen Rupe - Right. That needed a comp plan change?

Cindy Fox – That needed a rezoning.

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – A rezoning and what else? A comp plan change?

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – I don't believe that it did. They entered in to a binding development plan agreement, so they had a rezoning and a binding development plan.

Maureen Rupe – And that went through the County?

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – It went through the North Merritt Island board. I was there.

Maureen Rupe - Not according to these, Cindy.

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – What this ordinance is doing is bringing it more in line with the Statutes and actually giving this board more authority to review.

Maureen Rupe - Right. That's right. I'm not saying anything about this.

Cindy Fox – The North Merritt Island board is being amended also.

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – Right, but what bothers me is how that came about, because they said they couldn't look at comp plan amendments.

Cindy Fox – That one was not a comp plan amendment.

<u>Jennifer Jones</u> – Are you referring to the fact that since the CRG's were done away with, that we had continued to let.....

Maureen Rupe – Yes, yes.

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – Let me....

Maureen Rupe – Tell me, because it's bothering me and I don't want to make fuss.

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – This is what I know, and I've been with the County for 15 years. When the North Merritt Island and Port St. John special districts were given the authority – when they were formed they were not given the authority to review comp plan amendments, but they could serve in lieu of a Citizens Review Group, and we ended those in 2008.

Maureen Rupe – The citizen review groups?

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – Correct. They were the ones that heard the comp plans, the EAR based amendments to the comp plan that had to go to the State. At that time, the Board felt that public comment was really important and we went out and formed these CRG's and that ended in 2008. The three things that the CRG's looked at specifically were infrastructure, land use, and the environment, and each had its own area of expertise. So,

again, when we were heading into the downturn in the economy during the 07/08 budget, they eliminated the CRG boards. That's when there was a little bit of confusion between the CRG boards, which there had been some in North Merritt Island and the North Merritt Island Special District, and their duties were actually – we were sending things to the North Merritt Island board because we were used to sending things to the CRG. We were sending things to the North Merritt Island board....

Maureen Rupe - Comp plan changes?

Cindy Fox - Yes....

Maureen Rupe – That's where it is, then.

Cindy Fox – But we were sending those to the board and they actually weren't supposed to be hearing those.

Maureen Rupe – I knew there was something. That's fine, as long as I know.

<u>Jennifer Jones</u> – That was in Morris's emails.

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – Yes, it was in Morris's emails. Out of courtesy, the staff was sending things to the North Merritt Island board because we no longer had CRGs. So, that spawned a look at these ordinances. Now that we have no CRG, when we looked at these ordinances we were like, "These ordinances were written more strictly than we've been doing." So, that's when it caused the County Attorney's Office to look at the Statutes and that's why we're amending these now. These are going to have the authority to let the boards review.....

Maureen Rupe – I saw that, that's good, that's great.

Cindy Fox – The Commissioners.....

Maureen Rupe – I knew something had gone on there.

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – I don't personally believe, or professionally believe, that the North Merritt Island board, or the Port St. John board, have been kept from reviewing anything that has been available. We have always extended the courtesy. It's been the requests that have caused a bad taste, but we don't make the requests, the applicants do.

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – I understand, and I kind of understand what's happening now. I knew they had looked at comp plans, and it's saying they hadn't. Some of this legislative intent, some of the wording – and I can give you this – in the wording, 11A3, is confusing to me.

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – 11A3, I'm not sure what you're looking at.

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – In the ordinance itself, in the legislative intent, is that where it says to allow North Merritt Island Special District to make P&Z recommendations on property that increases residential density.

Cindy Fox – I'm not looking at North Merritt Island, I'm only looking at Port St. John. You can send that to me.

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – All I want is a clear and transparent what we're looking at. The North Merritt Island Special District, which has been called a special meeting to talk about these ordinances.

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – Not to talk about these ordinances, they have a special meeting that's been called as a Small Area Study to review density in the area. This just happened to be a by-product of that process.

<u>Jennifer Jones</u> – She's talking about the meeting on the 30th.

Maureen Rupe - I'm talking about March 30th.

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – That's about one particular item, and it is a comp plan change, not the ordinances.

Maureen Rupe – It's not anything to do with anything in here with legislative intent?

Cindy Fox - Correct. These are going to go.....

Maureen Rupe – That's what they told me, though.

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – No, we just got permission to go ahead and take these through the process. We haven't even had the first meeting for the process yet for these. The only thing we've had is permission to advertise the ordinance and the legislative intent.

Maureen Rupe - So, there is two public hearing on this?

Cindy Fox - Yes, at least.

<u>Jennifer Jones</u> – Actually, there are three if you count the North Merritt Island meeting.

Cindy Fox - Yes.

Maureen Rupe - And this is a closed meeting? Can anybody come to this?

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – All of our meetings are public.

Maureen Rupe - So, it's can't just be for the North Merritt Island, right?

<u>Jennifer Jones</u> – Anyone can come, but as far as anything that that board hears, it has to be anything that's within their boundaries.

Maureen Rupe – What do you mean?

Jennifer Jones – Anybody can come to the meeting, yes.

<u>Cindy Fox</u> – That board has to stick to subjects that are in their district.

<u>Maureen Rupe</u> – Absolutely. Thank you.

Cindy Fox – We're taking good care of you.

Maureen Rupe – I know you are, Cindy.

Upon consensus of the board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.