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### JEKYLL ISLAND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION October 3, 2011 Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Stan Jennings, Vice President; Larry Waldhauer, Treasurer; Gloria Zocchi-Secretary; Rick Hoffman, Steve Newell and Bob Lelli

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Stan Jennings.

The minutes were accepted as written.

Larry gave the Treasurer's report. We now have \$13950.16 in the treasury.

Megan Jeffries gave a membership report. We now have 58 individual members, 123 family members and that gives us 304 voting members. Dues are due by December 31 for 2012.

Our speaker today was Allen Burns, Executive Director of the Coastal Regional Commission which serves the counties and municipalities of Bryan, Bullock, Camden, Chatham, Effingham, Glynn, Liberty, Long, McIntosh and Screven. Six departments comprise the CRC. They are Administrative Services, Aging Services, Economic Development, Finance, Planning and Government Services and Transportation.

This commission was established by the state government, and is one of twelve in the state of Georgia.

It is directed by a Commission Council, a body of elected and appointed officials representing the public and private sector. Glynn County's representatives are Tom Sublett, Coach William, David Bowen and Sean McVey.

The Coastal Regional Commission provides four main services: Planning and Government, Economic Development, Coordinated Transportation and the Area Agency on Aging. Mr. Burns discussed several of the services provided by the CRC:

The regional rural and coordinated transportation program provides a variety of public transit. Right now there are 85 CRC white buses which provide public transportation to everyone. With 24 hours notice, anyone can get a ride for \$3 one way. Crossing a county boundary costs an additional \$3. Also provided is medical transportation and aging services. These vans average about 20,000 riders a month. This program is a model for the state.

The CRC provides city and county officials, departments, council members, other agencies, and the public with accurate and reliable geographic information through responsive and innovative GIS services. For instance, the LIDAR project provides topographical maps of all ten counties (5,000 square miles) in high resolution. These maps are highly accurate down to eight centimeters. Their FEMA maps and surge maps which model floods going down rivers have won two awards.

Another job of the CRC is working on a study to protect Fort Stewart. This base is 60 square miles and employs 56,000 people. Protecting the base is part of their role.

The CRC urges all to vote for the Transportation Improvement Act which the ten counties will vote on this spring. This increase of one cent sales tax will last for ten years, or when the target number is reached. It will raise \$2 billion over ten years. 75% of the monies will include working on the 99 corridor (82-17), the widening of route 17, and the widening of the main roads in front of airports. The other 25% will go to cities and counties for projects tied to transportation. The US DOT will be cutting 30-35% of the road projects in this area. The state of Georgia is providing no money for road work in the future.

The EB 5 (Employee Based) will have a direct impact on Jekyll Island. It enables foreign investors to put money into projects in the US. Rich individuals route money through companies who are working on projects. This enables them to get permanent green cards and provides the funding that is needed in the US. The first project which the CRC is working on is the hotels and shopping center on Jekyll Island. Investors from Europe, the Middle East and South West Asia are very interested in investing in projects which are already lined up. Since our banks are not lending, or are requiring such a large equity position, this is very good for us.

To find out more about the Coastal Regional Commission of Georgia, go to <http://.crc.ga.gov/>

## OLD BUSINESS

Bob Lelli contacted DC Motion of Brunswick about installing seat belts on golf carts. They will charge \$25.99 per set for the purchase and installation of seat belts. They will be available on a Saturday in November at the Golf Course parking lot to install these belts. If interested, please contact Bob Lelli at [pblelli@bellsouth.net](mailto:pblelli@bellsouth.net) or call him at 635-9463. Other services for your golf cart will also be available, depending upon what people want. Just let Bob know.

Lorraine Donahue, who is in charge of the Jekyll Island Welcome Wagon (Quality of Life Committee), has a problem finding out just who has bought houses. If someone new moves into your neighborhood, please contact her so that she may discuss services on JI to the new neighbors.

Lorraine also gave us a list of United Way activities occurring in the near future:

Ober 13 from 4-6 Happy Hour at thctoe SandBar and Grill

October 21 from 10-2 Car Wash at the Beachview Shops on JI

October 23 from 4-7 The 2nd Annual Music at Great Dunes Park

October 21 at 12:30 United Way Golf Tournament on Pine Lakes/Check with Pro Rob Ellis at 635-2368

Tickets are available for the Coastal Experience Raffle. Tickets are \$5 or 3 for \$10. Tickets may be purchased at any Ameris Bank, Lynn at the JIA Warehouse; JIA Sales and Marketing Office @Villa Ospo

Respectfully submitted-Gloria Zocchi

### **JIA Hosting Flu Shot Days - Wednesday, Oct 19 & Monday, Oct 31**

The Jekyll Island Authority is hosting 'Flu Shot' days for the public and staff. The shots will cost \$25.00. Those on Medicare or State Health Plan must bring their ID cards for filing information. For more information, contact JIA Human Resources at [912-635-4086](tel:912-635-4086).

Wednesday, October 19, 11:00 am - 5:00 pm - The South Georgia Health System Wellness on Wheels will be at the Great Dunes Park on N. Beachview Dr.

Monday, October 31, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm - The Glynn County Health Department will be at the Jekyll Island Community Presbyterian Church on N. Riverview Dr.

### **Previously Announced Events**

#### **Jekyll Island United Way Happy Hour Fund Raiser - Thursday, Oct 13**

Join the JI United Way for a Happy Hour Fund Raiser in the SandBar & Grill at the Oceanside Inn & Suites on N. Beachview Dr. from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm., October 13. There will be music, free food, door prizes and a 50/50 raffle. Spend a little time with co-workers and friends after work for this fun activity and support United Way.

Additional United Way Events for October:

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--- and that's the news from Jekyll Island where history lives, nature abounds and the Sea Turtle nesting season ended with 177 nests with 10,125 hatchlings!!! -- Jim Reed, JICANet Editor

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