

# NEWSLETTER JULY 2007

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## **BCA HAS NEW WEBSITE**

Be sure to visit our new website [www.bokeeliaFL.com](http://www.bokeeliaFL.com) It will contain all the latest information about Bokeelia and the BCA. If you have something to contribute send it to [info@bokeeliaFL.com](mailto:info@bokeeliaFL.com) Your input is needed and appreciated.

## **MEETING LOCATION CHANGE FOR BCA**

OLMM has indicated to BCA that liability insurance would be necessary for each of our meetings. A survey with insurance companies resulted in estimated costs of \$30 per meeting. In addition, the Diocese is now requiring a \$30 room charge for meetings. The \$60 per meeting costs were too much for our budget. Consequently we shall be meeting at the Tropic Isle Park at 15175 Stringfellow Road, Bokeelia, starting in October.

## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

All of the following meetings will be at 7:00 unless otherwise indicated: October 15<sup>th</sup>, November 12<sup>th</sup>, January 14<sup>th</sup>, February 11<sup>th</sup>, March 10<sup>th</sup>, April 14<sup>th</sup> and May 12<sup>th</sup>.

## **STATION THREE GROUND BREAKING**

Lodge & Totem may make their final presentation and cost estimates at the MPIFCD Commissioners meeting at 5:00 on July 25<sup>th</sup>. The agenda is attached and the public is encouraged to attend. If the majority of the commissioners are in agreement that all specifications have been met, a contract could be available for signature by all parties. Upon signing it is possible that a date could be set for the ground breaking possibly in August or September. Watch for additional information.

### **MARINA DRIVE PAVED**

We have been waiting a long time for this to happen. If you get a chance take a ride down the newly-paved Marina Drive. You will get a better idea of the enormity of Palmco and their palm plantation operations. They are the largest employer on Pine Island.

### **BIKE PATH (?) COMPLETED ON BARRANCAS**

A four-foot wide path has been paved on the north side of Barrancas from Stringfellow to the Bokeelia Boat Ramp. I can verify that it makes walking in that area a lot easier when cars, trailers and boats are passing. Today, July 24<sup>th</sup> it appears they are also adding a foot or two to the south side also.

### **Bocilla Seaport Marina**

There was an article in the News-Press on July 4<sup>th</sup> stating that the proposed maring still does not meet state criteria according to SFWMD. The..”revised plan still creates direct and secondary impacts to seagrasses, and does not demonstrate the project is clearly within the public interest.” The district “will recommend denial of the project at its Aug. 9 meeting if the application is not complete by Monday (July 9) and the response fails to meet the district’s requirements”. We are following up on this matter and will advise of the updates.

We hope everyone is having a happy and safe summer.

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