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Letters_to_editor

Answers sought from FKAA

Apr 8, 2023

Any qualified engineer familiar with our aqueduct system could have advised that it was in desperate need of repair and that our ever-increasing development and growing population could not sustain our consumption. But instead of warning us of the pending crisis, the need to curtail development/usage, and getting started on replacing the pipes, the FKAA's Board of Directors chose to stay silent, build a new building with all the bells and whistles and eliminated the need to have an engineering degree to serve as Executive Director.

Mr. (Greg) Veliz, our current Executive Director, made it no secret that the only thing he knew about water management, when he took the job, was "how to turn on a tap." Maybe, instead of focusing on awarding lifetime benefits to Mr. Veliz and other upper management employees, as well as their spouses, for their "lifetime dedication to FKAA" they should focus on answering a few simple questions like: How long will we be at 22 million gallons a day? ("Indefinitely" is not an answer). What impact does the multitude of new swimming pools and irrigation systems for vacation rentals and remodels/renovations have on usage? Will the new pipes increase the amount of gallons per day, or will we be in an endless catch-up scenario of patching broken pipes?

Perhaps, at the very least, a "prioritized building moratorium" should be considered by the county, until such time as we have answers to these and other fundamental questions.

Gregory Lloyd

Key West

On Monday, April 10, 2023 at 03:15:38 PM EDT, Mary Lou Hoover <mlhoover@cityofkeywest-fl.gov> wrote:

Greg,

When would be a good time to talk with you? I need to set up a time as soon as possible.

Mary Lou

Sent from my iPhone

4/13/23, 3:35 PM

Yahoo Mail - Fw: [EXTERNAL] Re: Phone call

Mary Lou---

My phone is on the fritz and is going back to T-Mobile tomorrow for repair.

I can be reached on Jennifer's phone (714) 614-0427 anytime this afternoon.

If this is in regards to my recent editorial. I'm speaking solely as a concerned consumer and consider this a Keys and County issue nothing to do with my position on the Planning Board.

If this is in regards to anything else I'm all ears.

Best,

On Monday, April 10, 2023 at 04:20:06 PM EDT, Mary Lou Hoover <mlhoover@cityofkeywest-fl.gov> wrote:

Greg,

It is about your letter to the editor. While I understand that you have your opinions, I feel that your opinions express your prejudices on certain issues and therefore open the planning board up to challenges on future items before them.

So I am asking you to step down from your position on the board.

Sincerely,

Mary Lou

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 10, 2023, at 3:59 PM, gregory lloyd <glloyd7@yahoo.com> wrote:

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Fw: [EXTERNAL] Re: Phone call

From: gregory lloyd (glloyd7@yahoo.com)

To: cseymour@keysnews.com

Date: Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 01:30 PM EDT

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: gregory lloyd <glloyd7@yahoo.com>

To: Mary Lou Hoover <mlhoover@cityofkeywest-fl.gov>

Cc: Teri Johnston <tjohnston@cityofkeywest-fl.gov>; achildress@cityofkeywest-fl.gov <achildress@cityofkeywest-fl.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 08:34:21 AM EDT

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Phone call

I respectfully disagree with your opinion and as such will not be voluntarily resigning my position on the Board, as to do so would be admitting some sort of wrongdoing, of which I don't believe I have done. It is your prerogative and choice to pursue my removal via Code Section 90-52 by a majority vote of the City Commission and I would be in attendance to defend my letter and my position.

The last paragraph of my letter to the editor, from which you apparently take exception to, is merely a suggestion to the county and the county alone, that "perhaps" they should "consider" a "prioritized building moratorium" and only until vital questions concerning the water crisis are answered. A critical concern shared up and down the Keys and on every social media platform including the Citizen Voice. Given the number of signs with requests by the FCAA that we conserve water, statements that future water main breaks are pretty much a given and that they have reduced water pressure, asking questions is not uncalled for. The main difference, is I won't sit behind an anonymous post.

I sit on a diverse Planning Board with six other members all of which have very strong and sometimes very vocal opinions about a wide range of potentially relevant topics that could come before the Board, but rest assured with 25 years as a trial attorney, in a Quazi Judicial forum, I will not substitute my opinion for the rule of law, codes and the criteria as placed before me and all of my votes are based on the criteria laid out in the codes, as my voting record since 2016 should show.

I have enjoyed serving on the Planning Board over the last seven years, and as a review of the Board minutes will demonstrate have made a real difference when it

comes to moving affordable housing forward from College Road, to Trumbo, to the 3.2 Lofts in Bahama Village. I have championed this cause at every available opportunity. I have lead the charge against the expansion of transient rentals. I have stood before our commission, when Craig Cates was mayor, and secured an unanimous vote against rezoning Clinton Square thereby preventing it into becoming another lower Duval. I have no agenda, I don't seek photo ops or accolades, I just want to give back and preserve this community that has given so much to me.

I made a commitment to serve this community until at least July of 2025---and I keep my commitments, so once again I will not be "stepping down" so if you want me removed you will have to pursue the Section 90-52 and I will gladly plead my case in front of the commission and the residents of Key West.

Please be advised I will be traveling on vacation, as well as, having doctor appointments in Fort Lauderdale, thus I will be unavailable during the following time frames April 26th - May 17, June 16th - June 23, and for about 3 weeks in July/August. It should be noted that over the years, I have even arranged my travel schedule so that I do not miss a meeting.

Respectfully,

Greg Lloyd

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to



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← Re: Congratulations and offer to continue to serve



Me

8/29/18

Mary Lou, I would again like to congratulate you...



Mary Lou Hoover

to

8/29/2018, 1:20 PM

Greg!

I would love to have you continue your service on the Planning Board. I didn't often agree with Margaret, but on her choice of you for the Planning Board, I couldn't agree more!

I look forward to sitting down and meeting with you very soon!

Mary Lou

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← Re: Planning Board



Mary Lou Hoover

to

6/19/2019, 3:31 PM



Greg,

I was just informed that your term on the planning board is expiring. Would you like to continue as my representative on the board? I would love to have you stay on.

Mary Lou
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Me

to

6/19/2019, 5:28 PM



Mary Lou--

Yes I would.

And Happy Belated Anniversary.

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← Re: Planning Board Meeting

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Mary Lou Hoover

to

2/21/2020, 3:21 PM



Greg,

That sounds like a good idea. I like that the board seems to be moving in a slightly stricter direction.

Let me know a good time for you. The beginning of next week I will be getting ready for my District Meeting. I hope stop by!

Thanks and keep up the good work!

Mary Lou

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← **Happy New Year!**



Mary Lou Hoover

to



1/1/2022, 9:54 AM

Greg,

I want to wish you and Jennifer a very Happy New Year! I look forward to a healthy and successful 2022 for you both! I also want to thank you for your service as my rep on the Planning Board. I appreciate your service to our community!

Warmest regards,

Mary Lou

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