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September 2008 Newsletter

Final Community Plan Workshop Sept 13



Community members have been constructively wrestling with future planning for the **Alva Historic Core** and adjacent areas. An **Alva River Village** concept is in the works south of the river to act as a gateway to the Historic Core, and to provide commercial development with shared parking, tree preservation and public open space adjacent to the river.

Implementation of a "Mixed Use Overlay" has been proposed to provide incentives and encouragement to owners for implementation of the proposed concepts while preserving their property rights. The intent of this effort is to get in front of the inevitable development – to provide a cohesive framework that encourages development while adding to the ambiance of Alva and preserving its historic and rural assets. Features under consideration include a grocery store, open-air restaurants/cafes, shaded seating areas, docking, sidewalks and gathering areas adjacent to the river, and commercial recreational businesses such as kayak rentals and possibly a Class A Motorcoach resort. Sound good? Sound terrible?

Silence is your consent either way. Please join your community members at the Community Center on **Saturday, September 13, 9 AM** to provide support and express your views.

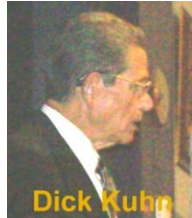
Political Forum Reportedly Sets a Record!



Sonny Haas

You just had to be there to see it – a proud night for little old rural Alva.....35 candidates and an auditorium packed with constituents investing an evening in the future of our governance. **"Largest turnout**

I've seen" said Keith Richter, candidate for District 72 State Representative. Don Ruane of the News Press estimated 200 participants. It was a constructive and wholesome event reflecting the best of the democratic process – capable and professional speakers, respective listeners, a wealth of information interspersed with humor and



Dick Kubin



Frank Mann

of the questions. Written questions were posed to candidates in advance. These questions and candidate responses can be viewed at www.alvaf1.org. Alva thanks the candidates for participating in the forum and, more significantly, offering to serve their community.

considered applause. East Lee County and Alva issues were the mainstay of discussion points with the commissioner candidates receiving most



Shawn Seliger

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September Membership Meeting
Monday Sept 8, 7 PM
Alva Community Center

Opposed to Bonita Bay North River Village Density Increase?

Sign the ELCC petition and join your community neighbors in conveying opposition to the Board of County Commissioners. Download the petition from www.alvaf1.org under Community Planning/North River Village. Forwarding instructions are on the form.

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