

Antonia Hover

From: Antonia Hover on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Tuesday, January 18, 2022 8:39 AM
To: 'Robert Jensen'
Cc: Consumer Contact
Subject: RE: Environmental Utilities Application for Controlling Wastewater on Bridgeless Barrier Islands. Docket #20200226

Good Morning, Robert Jensen.

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20200226, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Thank you!

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From: Robert Jensen <rjensen2525@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 17, 2022 3:12 PM
To: Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>
Subject: Fwd: Environmental Utilities Application for Controlling Wastewater on Bridgeless Barrier Islands. Docket #20200226

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From: Robert Jensen <rjensen2525@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Jan 17, 2022 at 2:54 PM
Subject: Environmental Utilities Application for Controlling Wastewater on Bridgeless Barrier Islands. Docket #20200226
To: <clerk@psc.state.fl.us>, <Commissioner.LaRosa@psc.state.fl.us>, <Commissioner.Clark@psc.state.fl.us>, <Commissioner.Passidomo@psc.state.fl.us>

Dear Commissioners La Rosa, Clark, and Passidomo:

Upon receipt of a letter from Environmental Utilities in July 2021 proposing the installation of sewers on Little Gasparilla Island (LGI), Don Pedro Island (DP), and Palm Island (PI), I began an email conversation with Jack Boyer to try to understand his exact concerns for eliminating septic systems from Palm Island and Don Pedro Island. It comes as no surprise that there may be septic system issues on the numerous tiny lots located miles away on Little Gasparilla Island (LGI) where Jack Boyer manages the water company.

I am attaching an email correspondence from Mr. Boyer dated January 10, 2022 which confirmed to me that his company is more concerned with the "Density" of homes on small lots specifically on LGI and the fact that 55

gallon drums were used for many septic systems prior to 1983 on LGI. He goes on to state that many of these homes can stay on the 55 gallon drum system. Remember, LGI is miles away from Palm Island and Don Pedro Island where the lots are large enough to accommodate a permitted septic system. As an active realtor on Palm Island and Don Pedro Island, it is a realtor's obligation to investigate permit status of a property's septic system prior to sale. I know of no substandard systems on the PI or DPI.

Mr. Boyer's email also confirmed his thoughts that a better way to manage utilities would be to "create a Not for Profit Utility District as soon as possible.

As I understand, residents of PI and DPI are already undertaking that investigation and need more time. Therefore, I request that the Commissioners table their decision on Docket #20200226 until the Palm Island and Don Pedro Island Board of Directors complete their work.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

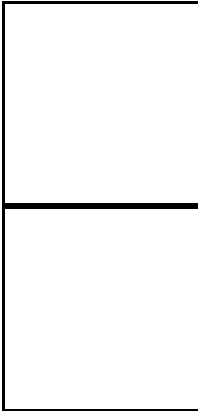
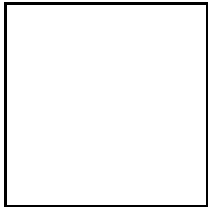
Sincerely,
Robert Jensen

see EU correspondence dated Jan 10, 2022 below

Jack Boyer

Jan 10, 2022, 4:30 PM (7 days ago)

to me



I will leave the " need" discussion up to the experts.....yet ALL..State and County and DEP are saying there is ! Please realize that FPL is privately owned, Bocilla Utilities is privately owned, Little Gasparilla Island water, privately owned, Comcast, privately owned, the barge for access is privately owned. We can put all the Utilities in the not for profit Utility District with the existing cash flow. Just need a steering committee?

Density, LGI is one of the county's most densely populated areas in the county. PI/DP have water on almost ever lot. Septic in relationships to open water is one of the main criteria along with the age of the system on the Master Sewer Study.

What year was your septic installed and what regulations are you required to follow?

I bought a house built in 1964 and the septic went under water with high tides. Guess what, any house built before 1983 can stay on a 55 gallon drum and we have many of those on the island.

Really would like to continue but probably on the phone or in person. Education on this subject is important.

Again thanks for you time!

Jack @941-626-8294

[Sent from Yahoo Mail](#)

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