

efforts to beautify the entrance to the Village, assistance in achieving FEMA compliance for rebuilding and improving residential structures, as well as efforts for the Visioning process.

#### Longboat Key Island Chapel

Jim Heyer, Longboat Island Chapel representative, asked Town support to improved cellular service by allowing a cellular tower to be installed on the Longboat Key Island Chapel property. He displayed photos of possible cellular towers that could be installed on this property. Mr. St. Denis recognized the service problems existing on Longboat Key. He explained antennas were needed to improve cellular service on Longboat Key; the Town hired a consultant to work with cellular communication providers regarding this issue, and currently there were twelve existing antennas on Longboat Key and two were under construction.

#### Longboat Key Center for the Arts

Joan Partridge, president of the Longboat Key Center for the Arts, stated the Longboat Key Center for the Arts anticipate participation in the Annual Arts Day for the Sarasota Arts Council, as well as the Longboat Key Chamber of Commerce Art After Hours event. Ms. Partridge noted participation in the home tour where the garden and art center facilities were featured. She pointed out that four Jazz concerts were scheduled for 2007. Mr. St. Denis stated the Center had requested financial support from an art show in 2007.

#### Longboat Key Garden Club – Judy Williams

Judy Williams, Longboat Key Garden Club president, noted four objectives: 1) explore all possibilities for a new recreation center; 2) beautification of Gulf of Mexico Drive; 3) continued water conservation efforts; 4) land acquisition for open space.

#### Longboat Key Historical Society

Mike Doll, Longboat Key Historical Society president, thanked the Town for the recent Grant, and encouraged the Commission to keep the Grant process active. He announced the opening of the Longboat Key Historical Museum and its success. Mr. Doll agreed the Town should actively seek funds from Sarasota and Manatee counties.

#### Longboat Key Library Association

Carole McMahn, Longboat Key Library Association president, stated 2007 would be the 50<sup>th</sup> year as an entity and the 35<sup>th</sup> year as a neighbor. She stated the one-acre land grant was received from Arvida and the Town in 1970 and signed a 30-year lease; in 2001 a five-year lease was signed. Ms. McMahn noted computer access was available for members at the library and the Selby Bookmobile discontinued regular service in 2005; however, books from Selby library were brought to the Longboat Key library each Monday and returned on Saturday. She noted the Longboat Key Library Association had 65 volunteers and 1, 023 paid members and approximately 40 new books were purchased on a monthly basis. Ms. McMahn explained the building was 35 years old and renovations were needed. She requested a 25-year lease.