

E-mail from Sarasota County Commissioner Shannon Staub to editors and reporters at Sarasota Herald Tribune.

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Subject: RE: today's story / pain clinics

Mr. Sloan has been talking to us (County Commissioners) for several years about trying to help get the State to pass a comprehensive plan to track the good pain management clinics but get rid of those that are not using legal nor ethical standards in their clinics. We have written and discussed the issue with our State representatives and senators.

I was surprised to read about the group quoted. I don't recall ever being contacted by them.

I was also surprised that Mr. Sloan was not included in the article since he really has been the leader in getting the State to pass a sufficient, viable law.

He approached us by email to look at an ordinance for a moratorium several weeks ago.

Just thought you ought to know the background of my/our contact with Mr. Sloan. I believe we owe him our thanks for raising the issue several years ago and persevering at the State and local level to get this issue addressed.

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