

**MINUTES  
CITY OF ORMOND BEACH  
QUALITY OF LIFE ADVISORY BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING**

**May 6, 2010**

**7:00 PM**

**City of Ormond Beach  
Training Room  
22 South Beach Street  
Ormond Beach, Florida**

**1) Call to Order**

Dr. Shapiro called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members present were: Debbie Berner, Matt Coleman, Joe Daniels, Marianne DiFiore, Matt Coleman and Dr. Philip Shapiro. Excused were Vicki Foley, Lewis Heaster, Becky Montgomery, Fran Pezzimenti William Masters and Dr. Gerald Woodard.

Others present were: Leisure Services Director Robert Carolin, Grants Coordinator Loretta Moisiso and Recording Secretary Shá Moss.

**2) Approval of Minutes – March 4, 2010**

**Mr. Coleman moved seconded by Mr. Daniels to accept the minutes of the March 4, 2010 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.**

**3) Discussion Items**

**Community Development Block Grant Annual Review**

Dr. Shapiro stated one of the Board's functions was to review the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) recommendations made by the Neighborhood Improvement Advisory Board (NIAB).

Grants Coordinator Loretta Moisiso stated each year an annual plan had to be submitted to the County for the allocation of the funds received. This year a five-year plan was also required because the County was required to submit to HUD an updated consolidated plan every five years. The Neighborhood Improvement Advisory Board held its mandatory public hearing for citizen input for the

formulation of the plan, on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. The national objections for CDBG funds are to benefit low-moderate income persons; preventing or eliminating slum or blight; or meeting other community development needs having a particular urgency or threat to health or welfare.

Ms. Moisio stated the City will receive \$115,517 and that amount was used for the next four years, even though the amount will change from year to year. Once the results from the Census are calculated, the CDBG priority area may change.

Ms. Moisio reviewed the recommendations made by the NIAB. The top priority project was the Selden Avenue roadway project; street improvement on south peninsula consisting of the sidewalk on South Halifax from Mulberry to Rockefeller Drive. She noted the first segment of that sidewalk was currently being done from Valencia to Mulberry, and had to be split because there was not enough funding to complete the entire project. The other two items were public service items, which were Great Kids Explorer Club and Volusia/Flagler Coalition for the Homeless. The following four years are basically the same though for FY 2011-12 the Board recommended watermain improvements for the mainland and on the following years for the mainland and peninsula as they were prioritized. This would be in addition to their recommendation to allocate \$15,000 for the Volusia/Flagler Coalition for the Homeless.

Ms. Moisio stated the Board was currently working on three open years FY 2007-08; 2008-09 and 2009-10. She noted for FY 2007-08 the Ormond Parkway Park was still being worked on. The completed projects for that year were, the Senior Center restroom ADA and door openers; Ormond Beach public housing project unit where they provided new window installations for some of those units. The Housing Authority also provided funding for the windows. For FY 2008-09 the Bayberry Circle and Ellinor Village street improvement projects; Milton Pepper Park improvements and Orlen Way pavers were completed. For FY 2009-10 the sidewalk on south Halifax will be done as well as partial roof replacement for PACE Center and the Volusia/Flagler Coalition for the Homeless.

Ms. Moisio stated over the years, the NIAB has recommended and the City Commission has approved funding to Volusia/Flagler Coalition for the Homeless, as well as street improvements on the mainland, which included South Washington Street, Selden, Oleander, Laws Lane, Jefferson, Tomoka, Ridgewood, Palm Place, and Willow Place. In the past three years, a lot of work has taken place on the peninsula. Other previous projects include the South Ormond Neighborhood Center restroom ADA renovations were done, the Senior Center stage renovation, the playground at Fire Station 91 on A1A, as well as Ellinor Village tree planting, Bayberry Court curb and gutter in addition a playground at Milton Pepper Park. Street improvements on the peninsula include Ormond Parkway, Arlington Way tree planting project and on Magnolia, Valencia Drive, Orlen Way, Mulberry and Byron Ellinor paver installations were done, as well as signage and landscaping on Mulberry and Byron Ellinor.

Dr. Shapiro thanks Ms. Moio and the NIAB for all the work that they have done and continue to do in the community.

Ms. Berner stated she had no objections to the recommendations made by the NIAB.

Mr. O'Sullivan stated one of the challenges the NIAB faced was running out of projects to recommend. He noted they wanted to focus more on infrastructure instead of the aesthetics. He stated the FY 2010-11 projects were fixed, but the other years could be changed, especially with the CDBG area changing after the Census calculations.

**Ms. Berner moved, seconded by Mr. Coleman that the Quality of Life Advisory Board approves the allocations recommended by the Neighborhood Improvement Advisory Board as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Daniels stated he was at the NIAB public meeting and was impressed with the process that the Board goes through. He also mentioned the public participation at the meeting because they usually have two or three people attend the meetings regularly.

#### **4) Member Comments**

##### Beach Parking

Dr. Shapiro stated on August 24, there would be a vote in the City including purchasing beachfront property. He noted he supported it and was a good investment. Dr. Shapiro stated currently cars are allowed on the beach, but with the increase of erosion and environmental issues, he sensed that in the future they will not be allowed.

##### Three Chimneys

Mr. Coleman stated he attended the Three Chimneys celebration and was very impressed. He was pleased it was well attended, appreciated the displays and all the information that was provided.

##### Capital Improvement Plan

Dr. Shapiro stated next Thursday, the Board would review the CIP. He stated it was usually a lot to review and asked that the Board review it carefully. He noted there were a lot of budget cuts being made throughout the City and there were not a lot of available funds to be spent like in the past. Dr. Shapiro read the Board's Mission Statement.

### Upcoming Events

Mr. Carolin stated tonight the National Day of Prayer was being held in Rockefeller Gardens, and there were approximately 350-500 people already in attendance.

Freaky Friday was the movie being shown on Friday for Movies on the Halifax. There would be free popcorn and a fortune cookie.

There was a Cerebral Palsy Salsa Festival on Saturday from 4-10 p.m., admission was \$5.00; but for \$10 you would get a bowl for all the pasta you can eat.

He stated Ormond Beach was a great community with lots to do.

### **5) Adjournment – Next Meeting – Date**

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Shá Moss, Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

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Dr. Philip J. Shapiro, Chairman