

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

March 4, 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, Marianne DiFiore, Vicki Foley, Lewis Heaster, Becky Montgomery, William Masters, Dr. Philip Shapiro and Dr. Gerald Woodard. Excused were Joe Daniels and Fran Pezzimenti.

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

Dr. Shapiro stated that Fran Pezzimenti loss another member of her family and this has been a difficult time for her.

2) Approval of Minutes – January 7, 2010

Mr. Heaster moved seconded by Mr. Coleman to accept the minutes of the January 7, 2010, meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

3) Discussion Items

- **2010 Census**

Dr. Shapiro stated Grants Coordinator Loretta Moisiso was here to make a presentation regarding the 2010 Census. He noted it was a critical count because of the loss in population.

Ms. Moisiso thanked the Board for allowing her to make the presentation. Every household in Volusia County will receive their Census some time in March 2010,

and were required to return them by April 1, 2010. She noted the Census was the law, very important and would benefit the City and County financially.

Federal Marshalls conducted the first Census going door to door throughout the 13 States, plus the districts of Maine, Vermont, Kentucky and the Southwest Territory (Tennessee). They recorded the names of everyone in the house. At that time African American slaves were counted as three-fifths of a person and American Indians, who did not pay taxes, were excluded. In 1868, the 14th Amendment was ratified, ending the three-fifths counting rule for African Americans.

The US Constitution requires a Census every 10 years. The Census is a count of everyone living in the United States, including non-citizens. The forms have been or will be mailed and should be returned as soon as possible. Starting May 2010, the households that do not return their forms will be visited by a Census Taker. The Census will not ask for personal information such as bank account numbers. The Census is quick, easy and consists of 10 questions. The information is used to establish state legislative districts and to determine the number of seats each state has in the US House of Representatives. That information is confidential for 72 years and cannot be shared by anyone, including welfare and immigration agencies. Any Census worker disclosing information could be fined, jailed or both. The federal government allocates more than \$400 billion each year to states and communities based on the data. The Community Block Grant Funds are federal funds and the priority areas are determined by the Census.

Census Questions

- 1 How many people were living or staying in this house, apartment or mobile home on April 1, 2010?
- 2 Were there any additional people staying here April 1 that you did not include in Questions 1?
 - a. Children
 - b. Relatives
 - c. Nonrelatives, such as roommates
 - d. People staying here temporarily
 - e. No additional people
- 3 Is this house, apartment or mobile home:
 - a. Owned by you or someone else with a mortgage or loan?
 - b. Owned by you or someone else free and clear?
 - c. Rented?
 - d. Occupied without payment of rent?

- 4 What is your telephone number?
 - a. We may call if we don't understand an answer.

- 5 Please provide information for each person living here.
 - a. What is Person 1's name?

- 6 What's Person 1's sex?
 - a. Male
 - b. Female

- 7 What is Person 1's age and date of birth?

- 8 Is Person 1 of Hispanic, Latino or Spanish origin?
 - a. No
 - b. Yes, Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano
 - c. Yes, Puerto Rican
 - d. Yes, Cuban
 - e. Yes, other

- 9 What is Person 1's race? (Mark one or more)
 - a. White
 - b. Black, African American, or Negro
 - c. American Indian or Alaska Native
 - d. Asian Indian
 - e. Other Asian
 - f. Native Hawaiian
 - g. Guatemalan or Chamorro
 - h. Other Pacific Islander
 - i. Chinese
 - j. Japanese
 - k. Samoan
 - l. Filipino
 - m. Korean
 - n. Some other race _____

- 10 Does Person 1 sometimes live or stay somewhere else?
 - a. In college housing
 - b. In the military
 - c. At a seasonal or second residence
 - d. For child custody
 - e. In jail or prison
 - f. In a nursing home

Ms. Moision stated this information will affect Volusia County for the next ten years. She noted the results for the 2000 Census was not available until 2003,

so it might take a little while to compute all the data. Local governments will use the Census data to allocate funding to be used for community services such education, public safety, housing, roads, public transportation and other community services. The higher the Census count, the more federal and state funding will be available for disaster recovery. In 2000, the response rate was only 67% for the Country and for Florida, which was why staff was working to make sure everyone completes and returns their form.

Ms. Moisio noted some organizations are assisting with the count, such as the Coalition for the Homeless by counting the homeless. There was a lot of advertising, such as billboards, signs on buses, posters, television and radio ads, and the City has sent letters to local churches expressing a willingness to make presentations.

Dr. Shapiro thanked Ms. Moisio for her presentation.

4) Member Comments

Board Functions

Dr. Shapiro stated one of the Board's functions was to review the CDBG recommendations made by the Neighborhood Improvement Advisory Board, and that should be in the May meeting, and the CIP should be in the June meeting. He realized those packets would be lengthy and asked that the members review them carefully.

Three Chimneys Sugar Mill

Dr. Shapiro stated on March 31, 2010, there would be an Open House, Family Day, and dedication for the Three Chimneys Sugar Mill and everyone was invited. He would forward a flyer for distribution.

5) Adjournment – Next Meeting – Date – April 1, 2010

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shá Moss, Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

Dr. Philip J. Shapiro, Chairman