

Memorandum

Date: December 29, 2009
To: Mayor & Commissioners
From: Ken Schenck, Town Manager
Re: Town Update – January, 2010

I am providing you with brief updates on some of the Town's continuing projects and events.

COCONUT LANE DRAINAGE -

This project is on hold until the Commission decides whether or not to proceed depending on the availability of funds. We have received the construction permits from the SFWMD. The construction permit is good for 5 years and the dewatering permit for 1 year. The dewatering permit has been renewed for another year. We have submitted the project to the State for a 319 grant which would pay for 30% of the cost we have received a verbal confirmation that we are in line for a grant of \$119,000. The funds won't be available until next summer.

OCEAN AVE. LANDSCAPE-

We are working with the landscaper to do some fill in plantings in lieu of the overhaul originally proposed. The Garden Club has taken on the planting of the Lilies and is expected to start the project in January.

ISLAND DRIVE BRIDGE -

Construction started on the bridge replacement the week of August 17th. One lane will remain open at all times. The project is expected to take about 6 to 7 months. The project is on schedule. The north side should be completed by the end of December and then they will start the south side.

OLD OCEAN BLVD.-

The Garden Club Dune Committee is developing a plan to landscape this section. They hope to have a plan by January and start planting in the spring. They will be working with the State and DERM and will present the plan to the Commission for approval. They have contacted the owners of the neighboring properties to try a coordinated effort.

Zoning Code Recommendations -

The Planning and Zoning Board will meet in January on the "green" codes. A date has not been set.

Pedestrian Crossing Street Signs-

The signed agreement has been returned to FDOT. We will order and install the signs as soon as we get the approval back from FDOT.

Police Report -

The police report for the November activities is attached.

Harbour Drive Plantings -

The residents of Harbour Drive have met and are discussing their desires for the entrance landscaping. We're waiting for their comments before we do anything.

Town Hall Painting Exhibit -

We have received the hangers for the paintings and will install them in January. We anticipate the first showing the end of February.

Reverse 911-

We used the new reverse 911 to let the residents know about the free H1N1 Flu shots at Town Hall. We can use this for a variety of announcements as needed. The Health Dept. gave 157 shots.

Energy Grants-

We've had meetings with other municipalities about a joint State grant application. The discussions are still ongoing as to the costs and what each municipality wants to do. We are looking at a possible solar water heater loan/grant program for the residents. I had a discussion with Florida Public Utilities about natural gas. They are looking at the cost for installation which we should have for the meeting. We are also trying to get a determination from the State as to the eligibility of a natural gas system under the grant program. If it appears that it is an eligible item a workshop may be in order to discuss financing.

CALENDAR OF EVENT

Planning and Zoning----- January (date not set)

Commission Meeting -----February 1, 2010 @ 6:00 P.M.

Code Enforcement -----January 5, 2010 @ 10 A.M.

cc: Edward Hillery, Police Chief
Karen Hancsak, Town Clerk
Town Employees