

Memorandum

Date: January 27, 2009
To: Mayor & Commissioners
From: Ken Schenck, Town Manager
Re: Town Update – February, 2009

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

New Town Hall –

The punch list items have been completed on the building. FEMA inspected the building for the grant and to the best of our knowledge everything is satisfactory. They're reviewing our information at present. No indication as to how long it'll take to get the funds. Phase 2, the parking area, is complete as are the punch list items. We'll be meeting with the contractor to finalize the project.

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 State has requested information on projects ready to go for the stimulus money coming from the Federal government. I sent them this project as well as other work that still needs to be done on Inlet Cay. There's no word yet as how these funds will be spent or what strings will be attached.

OCEAN AVE. LANDSCAPE -

We've completed the well on Ocean Ave. We are presently repairing the distribution system. The operation permit has been submitted to the SFWMD. Once the system is operating properly we'll work on the landscaping. I received word from FDOT that they're putting together the plans to remove the mangroves from the detention areas along Ocean Ave. I haven't seen the plans yet to know exactly what they're proposing to do. They are keeping us informed on their progress.

ISLAND DRIVE BRIDGE -

The contracts have been forwarded to Anzac Contractors for signature. When we receive them back we will authorize the start of construction.

OLD OCEAN BLVD.-

A meeting is planned with Mark Taynton of FDEP in February to discuss a plan to work with the homeowners to address the vegetation on the dunes. Since the State has jurisdiction on the dunes their input is necessary.

INLET CAY -

Ranger has completed the paving and we're working with them to clean up a couple of areas such as the bridge. The paving has also been completed on Harbour Dr. N & S. There will be a recommendation forthcoming for a seawall repair on the southeast side of the bridge.

No Wake Zone -

I've contacted the County and the State about a no wake zone in the Intracoastal for manatee protection. The State is looking at speed zones but only as they relate to boater safety, at least at this time. If we want to have a speed zone we need to write to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission making the request. I spoke to them and they will review the request and determine if they want to look into it further in order to make the change. They don't make the changes often and will need to agree that there's a problem. I want to make sure that the Natural Area is the only area we want to address before I send the letter.

Zoning Code Recommendations

Planning and Zoning will meet on Feb. 9th to discuss possible changes in the zoning code.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Commission Election-----February 10, 2009
- Code Enforcement-----February 3, 2009: 10 AM
- Planning and Zoning-----February 9, 2009: 8 AM
- March Commission Meeting -----March 2, 2009: 6 PM

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