

Memorandum

Date: February 25, 2009
To: Mayor & Commissioners
From: Ken Schenck, Town Manager
Re: Town Update – March, 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 and parking area. 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.

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. and have repairing the distribution system. The operation permit has been submitted to the SFWMD. We're working with our landscape company to recommend improvements in the landscaping. FDOT has begun removing the mangroves in their catchment ponds along the road. The south side is almost complete and then they're working on the north side.

ISLAND DRIVE BRIDGE -

The contracts have been signed and a preconstruction meeting was held. We are presently waiting on FPL to tell us when they can move the line that runs along the north side of the bridge as it will be in the way of the pile driver.

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OLD OCEAN BLVD.-

A meeting was held with Mark Taynton of FDEP and Paul Davis of DERM to discuss a plan to work with the homeowners to address the vegetation on the dunes. We will be working with them to develop an educational program to use with the homeowners and landscapers.

Inlet Cay Paving-

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. Ranger has ordered the plaques to repair the bridge decorations that were broken during the paving. We have reviewed the color differences in the paving. We also had an independent testing company look at the road. The quality of the paving is as contracted with the exception of the coloration. They have tried various methods to blend the coloration differences without complete success. To try anything further will probably make it worse. Through weather and road usage we have been assured the road will blend together.

Inlet Cay Seawall-

I've spoken to an independent contractor about the seawall and are waiting for his recommendation and price to do the repairs. It appears it will be less expensive than a design and bid process.

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 again in March to discuss possible changes in the zoning code.

Police Report-

The police report for January activities is attached.

Chickawsaw Linear Park-

I met with Ernie and a representative of Crown Colony to discuss the park. We've come to an agreement on what needs to be done. The cleanup has been completed and the reflective tape has been put on the dock pilings. I will continue to monitor the situation.

Boynton Beach Fire Dept. Request-

Attached is a request from the Boynton Beach Fire Dept. to support their request to change the state legislation to allow them to address life safety issues inside the Towns they serve. Rep. Hasner has agreed to address the issue in Tallahassee.

Noseeum Spraying-

I met with Clarke Mosquito Control subsequent to the request by some residents to start the spraying again. They were using the two methods. The truck was used to spray from the street and cost was about \$1,000 a month for weekly spraying. They also did a more concentrated spraying around individual homes with a backpack. The cost was \$100 per home per month for 4 sprayings. The cost to restart the program is about the same as before.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- March Commission Meeting -----March 2, 2009 - 6 PM
- Code Enforcement-----March 10, 2009 - 10 AM
- Planning and Zoning----- March ?

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