

Memorandum

Date: April 29, 2010
To: Mayor & Commissioners
From: Ken Schenck, Town Manager
Re: Town Update – May, 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.

ISLAND DRIVE BRIDGE -

Construction started on the bridge replacement the week of August 17th. One lane will remain open at all times. The water lines have been changed and approved by Boynton Beach. The contractor is waiting for FPL to move the poles from the south side back to the north side. Traffic has been moved to the north lane. There has been a delay of about 8 weeks waiting for FPL and Comcast to move the lines back to the north. They finally completed the move. The contractor is freeing up the cranes and expects to be back on sight within 2 weeks.

Town Hall Pond-

The pond has been repaired and is operational.

OLD OCEAN BLVD.-

The Garden Club Dune Committee has developed a plan to landscape this section.

They plan to remove the invasive vegetation and then begin planting new vegetation when that has been completed. They will be working with the State and DERM and will present the final plan to the Commission for approval. They have contacted the owners of the neighboring properties to have a coordinated effort.

Town Hall Painting Exhibit -

The first show was a great success.

John Wooten has been working with the Gulfstream School to follow up with a display of art work done by the students. The School is excited about this program and is working closely with John. This display will start on May 25th from 6 to 8 PM. The evening will include the display of the artwork as well as music presentations by the students. It will be a wonderful evening and should be very well attended.

Energy Grants-

We have received a grant offer from the County for \$50,000 for energy improvements on Town Hall. The County is expected to approve the grant at their meeting on May 4th. We will start working on the grant as soon as the County completes their approval. We are still hoping to submit additional grants to the state and federal government when they become available.

Telephone Contract-

We contracted with the League of Cities last year to review our telephone expenses. They have developed some cost saving ideas that we have been reviewing. We are also interviewing other companies in addition to ATT. We have a present contract with ATT but when that expires in the summer we believe we'll be able to reduce our telephone costs. We're still reviewing the options presented by three contractors in conjunction with the League.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS-

Commission Meeting -----June 7, 2010 @ 6:00 P.M.

Code Enforcement-----May 4, 2010 @ 10:00 A.M.

cc: Chris Yannuzzi, Police Chief
Karen Hancsak, Town Clerk
Town Employees