

# Memorandum

Date: **April 27, 2015**  
To: **Mayor & Commissioners**  
From: **Ken Schenck, Town Manager**  
Re: **Town Update, May, 2015**

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

## **Spanish River Drive**

We are reviewing several drainage problems on Spanish River Drive where water is ponding. We're analyzing the best way to eliminate these problems. Most of the problems remaining are in driveways and not a major priority but do need to be corrected.

## **FEMA Flood Maps**

We've met with FEMA and have reviewed their maps. We have requesting them to exclude an additional 80 properties from the flood zone. They've agreed to look at it for their major study but we want them to make the change in the present study. We have not heard back from them.

## **PBA Contract Negotiations**

The PBA contract has been approved by the Officers and signed by the PBA. It's a three year contract with a wage opener the third year.

## **LPR Cameras**

A major concern is FDOT's present ban on adding new cameras in their right of way. Three of our four entrances are affected by this decision. The Police Chief's Assoc. is looking to address this in the legislature next year.

## **Beach Signs**

The signs have been installed on the eight beach entrances.

## **FDOT Bridge Inspection**

The approved bridge repairs will start in May.

## **Home Alarm Monitoring System**

The new receiver has been installed and the software is presently being installed.

## **Woolbright Detention Area**

We've repaired the flap valve that prevents the tidal water from entering the detention area. Since the repairs the water behind Ridge Blvd. has dried up and the water in the discharge pond has been reduced. At present it appears the project to upgrade the detention area will cost less than proposed to achieve the desired results. We need some heavy rains to see if we have to do more.

## **Wastewater Proposal**

We were approached by the people involved in the wastewater plant at Crown Colony. It serves three condos. They wanted to look into sending their wastewater to Boynton and abandoning their plant. We have talked to other buildings in the area and they are also interested. We met with Boynton Beach and they are enthused about treating the wastewater and suggested a route for the piping. We are looking into the preliminary cost of the project. The units involved would pay for the changes not the Town although either Boynton or Ocean Ridge might have to front the funds. This would eliminate three package plant in the Town and numerous odor complaints. All of these plants are old and are expensive to repair and operate properly. It will give us an avenue to sewer the south end of Town if and when the State decides to eliminate septic tanks.

We are presently evaluating the estimated cost to see if the residents want to continue with the project. At present it appears favorable.

## **All Aboard Florida**

A hearing was held in Tallahassee to consider the issuance of bonds for the project. The Board that is to make the decision was not present but they sent their staff. That's not an encouraging sign. No new word to date.

## **Spanish River –Swaim Project**

The SFWMD and Mr. Swaim went to court to determine if he can complete his project, which includes Mangrove removal and filling in an existing waterway, without the normal permits. The judge is reviewing the case and according to the SFWMD it may take a couple of months to get a decision.

### Calendar of Events

Commission Meeting----- May 4, 2015 @ 6:00 PM

Code Enforcement Meeting-----May 5, 2015 @ 10:00 AM

Cc: Han Hutchins, Police Chief  
Karen Hancsak, Town Clerk  
Employees