

Memorandum

Date: June 1, 2010
To: Mayor & Commissioners
From: Ken Schenck, Town Manager
Re: Town Update – June, 2010

I am providing you with brief updates on some of the Towns 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 water lines were much more involved than was anticipated, once they were exposed, but the improvements have been completed. 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 and the contractor is finally back on the job.

Shark Fishing-

We obtained the ordinance from Delray Beach banning shark fishing. The attorney is reviewing it to see what we can do within our Town.

Town Hall Pond-

The pond has been repaired and is operational.

Hurricane Debris Removal-

Republic Services is preparing an agreement for debris removal in case of a hurricane.

OLD OCEAN BLVD.-

The Garden Club Dune Committee is developing 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 Art Exhibit -

The Gulfstream School opened their art exhibit in Town Hall on May 25th. It includes paintings and ceramics done by the students. The opening included musical selections performed by the students. It was very well attended and enjoyed by everyone. The exhibit will remain throughout the summer.

Energy Grants-

We have received a notice to proceed from the County for the \$50,000 grant for energy improvements on Town Hall and Ocean Ave.

We have also received an indication from the State that we have been awarded an energy grant from them. It should be about \$230,000 but we haven't received confirmation on the amount. This grant is for 2 hybrid vehicles and a rebate program for residents to help with energy saving items around the home. We hope to hear soon on the details.

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.

Entrance Signs

We are waiting for the design of the concrete base for the signs. Once we have the design we can get a cost. We also requested a cost to add "bird sanctuary" to the signs if the Commission desires. I'm hoping to have the costs for the meeting but I'm not sure.

Briny Breezes

See the attached memo regarding Police Services.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS-

Commission Meeting -----July 12, 2010 @ 6:00 P.M.

Code Enforcement-----July 6, 2010 @ 10:00 A.M.

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