

Memorandum

Date: August 26, 2010
To: Mayor & Commissioners
From: Ken Schenck, Town Manager
Re: Town Update – September, 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. We haven't heard anything to date on the grant.

Island Drive Bridge-

The bridge should have substantial completion by mid September allowing it to open to two lane traffic. Finishing touches should be complete by mid October.

Old Ocean Blvd. Dune.-

The Garden Club Dune Committee has developing a plan to landscape this section. They have removed the invasive vegetation and begun planting new vegetation. They are working with the State and DERM. They are about 75% complete on the new plantings and should be done by early September. Once complete they propose to add a new bench. They've substantially improved the dune in this area.

Spanish River and Douglas Drainage Improvements

Bids were received on September 2nd. This item will be addressed later in the meeting.

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. The engineering survey for this work is in the State grant. As soon as we get that grant we will get the survey and start the work.

We have received notification from the State that we have been awarded an energy grant from them. The original grant request was for \$250,000. The State reduced the grant to \$171,965. The major reduction was in the residential rebates which were reduced from \$123,000 to \$38,465. We were told this reduction was due to EPA wanting to eliminate this component. We don't know what the restrictions will be on the funds left in the grant. Hopefully we'll hear soon.

This grant still includes funding for 2 hybrid vehicles.

Entrance Signs

The cost of the entrance signs will be addressed later in the meeting.

Landscape

We are working with an owner at 5516 Old Ocean to replace the dead vegetation on the right of way. He said there is no water source at the location so he is waiting for the rainy season which so far hasn't cooperated. The owner has now planted sea grapes in front of the dead vegetation which will hide the problem when they grow.

Town Landscaping

We received bids on August 19th for this service. We had two bids and they will be addressed later in the meeting.

Noseeum Spraying

We received bids for this service on August 26th. We had three bids and they will be addressed later in the meeting.

NPDES Permit

We've received approval of our 7th year drainage permit from EPA.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS-

Commission Meeting -----October 4, 2010 @6:00 PM

Code Enforcement-----October 5, 2010 @ 10:00 AM

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