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Countywide Community Revitalization Team Meeting Minutes

Meeting Title: Countywide Community Revitalization Team Meeting

Facilitator: Houston Tate, OCR Director

Minutes Prepared by: Audley Reid, Senior Planner

Date/Time: July 14, 2015

Location: 2300 N Jog Rd., Room 1E-60, West Palm Beach, FL 33411

Meeting Attendance:

1. Joanna Aiken Solid Waste Authority

2. Carol Clinton Lake Worth West Resident Planning Group, Inc.

3. Melanie Borkowski Department of Economic Sustainability and Water Utilities

4. Kristine Frazell-Smith PBC Engineering Department

5. Sargent James Hightower6. Casey PranckunPBC Sheriff's OfficePBC Parks & Recreation

7. Anna Stewart Drowning Prevention Coalition

8. Kenny Willson Florida Department of Health Palm Beach

9. Anne Helfant PBC Attorney's Office

10. C. Povela CHC

11. Deputy Barricklow
PBC Sheriff's Office
PBC Department of Health

16. Ken Wilson
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17. Larry Diegert
Plantation Community
San Castle Community

19. John Sawyers
 20. Audley Reid
 21. William Wynn
 22. Chrystal Mathews
 23. Derrek Moore
 Westgate/Belvedere Homes Community
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Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome and Introductions: Mr. Houston Tate called the meeting to order at xxx a.m. and asked the group to introduce themselves.

II. Department Updates

Anna Stewart, Drowning Prevention Coalition, PBC representative, reported the following:

- Stated that 3 kids in PBC recently drowned. The DPC has issued 400 vouchers for swimming lessons and is working with local businesses and PBC Fire-Rescue: DPC will donate up to \$50,000 in matching funds for businesses who donate money to Fire-Rescue and their swim lesson program.
- DPC mascot "Buddy" and mini-versions of "Buddy" will be at various DPC sponsored events.

Carol Clinton, Executive Director Lake Worth West Community Center, reported the following:

• LWW has been busy with its successful summer reading program for moms and kids. At this time there is two weeks to go before graduation. The group meets Wednesdays from 10:30am-12:00pm.

III. Presentations

Casey Pranckun, PBC, Department of Parks and Recreation-Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program Grant Presentation

Parks and Recreation made a presentation to the CCRT group regarding the FRDAP. The FRDAP Grant will be utilized in John Prince Park, Mounds Circle. The grant is retroactive and funds will provide support for a number of construction activities. These activities include, realigning the roadway, renovating the existing cricket field, prepping the grounds for a new dog park, expanding the current hiking trail and creating a new hiking/biking trail, new parking spaces, and constructing a canoe launch.

James Green, Director, Outreach and Community Programming, PBC Department of Youth Services-My Brother's Keeper: Local Action Plan

> Youth Services made a powerpoint presentation regarding the Obama administrations' My Brother's Keeper initiative (see attached)

Jon Burstein and Kelly Powell, CSC of Palm Beach County-The Children's Services Council and the Importance of Safety

- > CSC of Palm Beach County informed the CCRT group that water-related accidents are among the most prevalent forms of deadly accidents for children worldwide. The Safe Kids group and the Drowning Prevention Coalition is partnering with local broadcaster WPEC Ch. 12 and Palm Beach Broadcasting to advertise swimming related safety efforts and to disseminate informational brochures.
- > On August 1st, the CSC will sponsor a community safety forum to highlight pool safety strategies and to provide swimming lessons, led by qualified professional instructors, to forum attendees.
- > CSC also discussed the dangers of child car seats that are wrongly installed. Instructors will also be on hand to teach proper child safety seat installation and how to insure that children are safely secured in vehicles. The CSC will attend and interact with participants on the topic of child seat safety at the upcoming Back to School Bash.

IV. OCR Staff Reports

Director, Houston Tate, OCR

- Mr. Tate informed the group that OCR attended and helped to sponsor the Florida Neighborhood Conference in Jupiter on Saturday July 11th. It was well attended by individuals throughout Florida.
- San Castle Building-Regarding the former Head Start site in San Castle CCRT, Community Partners will be leasing the building and various activities and organizations will have the opportunity to work in the new building. Interior revisions are required to the building and will be taking place. Lana Martinez and residents of San Castle will be providing input on programs that can be held and administered from the new building.
- > Part of the new program regime for the building will include strategies related to Asset -Based Community Development (ABCD).
- It may be possible for San Castle to have ESOL classes as well. Lake Worth West under Carol Clinton has had great success with ESOL, if Lana and the community decides to add ESOL as part of the program in San Castle, Carol Clinton would be a great resource to speak with.

- ➤ PBSO Back To School Assistance-Mr. Tate requested assistance from PBSO for the "Vinni Cuomo" Back to School Bash in Palm Beach Gardens, specifically, requesting help from PBSO supervised inmates for clean-up assistance.
- > Sgt. Lindscoog inquired further into the specifics of the request; Deputy Bearclaw will be on site to provide supervision regarding the request and the participants.

V. Residents Comments

➤ Larry Diegert of Plantation community attended the Florida Neighborhood Conference and stated that he enjoyed the conference and it was a positive educational experience.

VI. Follow-ups

N/A

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Approved by: Houston L. Tate, OCR Director