

West meeting

Tate: We are going to talk about accomplishments

Mayor Shirley Walker: Welcome Comm. Kyles – We are trying to get the community together and that is what it is all about. We want to make the Glades a better place. We have to stop complaining about what is not done and go ahead and do it. There are a lot of resources.

??? name, South Florida Treasure Coast: I had the opportunity to go in our schools and educate the kids on prevention programs. We are here because we need the support to help the children on prevention.

Steven – FLA Dept of Transportation: At the beginning of this yr we finish the work on US 27 that starts the city limits of South Bay it included the beautification and landscaping we are getting ready to turn it over. We completing a project in the city of BG. Making access on the sidewalks – creating sidewalks by the middle school. Completing the project with the guardrail on SR 80. Another project on SR 15 will be advertise sometimes at the beg of year. The project on Pahokee will be advertise the new year which is SR 15 (US 441) it comes in and go around the post office and go to Canal Point. In the future there is a 16th Street in Belle Glade. Starting street name signs – this was a success. That process has trickle into preconstruction.

Tate: That started directly from our residents from GTAC

Chamber: The chamber has increased our membership. A lot of members are from the coast. WE support the community and let them know what is happening. We have monthly chamber breakfast at the medical center. We have an annual chamber award banquet. We support and monitor the Glades. We make sure we always give a positive side. We are proud that we started the Laurel Alliance. We work closely with the city putting on the Black Gold Jubilee Festival – it brings in 5000 people.

PB State College: 2011 accomplishments: we just started our accreditation with the systems – we have to do a 5 year we came out with flying colors. I came to the campus in 2007 we were 890 students – we are now at 1700. WE cover the largest area of all the campus from SR 7 to Clewiston. This year we added a foreign language program. We are hosting Jan 2012 we will be hosting a statewide district meeting – which cover 28 community colleges. They asked to come to our campus. From here to Key West. Our vocational program is doing well we added a cosmetology program and bringing back the CDL program. The trailer program we partner with Florida College it is a 6 week program with rural economic development which consists of workshops – the recipients get college credits. The program starts in Jan. It is called Community Builder Program – we may keep it that name – it is going to be Friday afternoon and Saturday from 9 – 12.

Ms.McCoy – Alternative Intervention – PBSO – kids with truancy – when the deputies stop a child during school hours they call me – we call the parents and see if they are having a issue with their child and then we tell them the services we offer. They are a little shaky because the calls are coming from the sheriff office. We are a helpful part of the sheriff office. We are not taking any clients now because school is getting ready to stop. I am working with Pahokee Middle – one kid grandfather died in Oct and

the grandmother was having some issues – we were able to give her \$150 Wal-Mart card and a bicycle. We are here to help support your children.

Jaden Walker just walked in

Mr. Austin – City of South Bay: You seen the Plaza on the way here. WE are working with beautification with the existing businesses. WE also have a garden projects we have 36 youth registered at this time – the city has donated a piece of land. WE are getting a new fire station. The muck from the fire station will be used for our garden and our baseball field – Mr. Kirk calls it a football field – we are planning on getting both teams. As far as the garden the kids are going to sell and donate to seniors. We are funding to build a Emergency Operation Center – we are cut off out here during the storms. We are not in the rear. A lot of things we do because of partnerships. Our city is in really good shape. We painted city hall we completely redid 12th street. We have aerobic classes on Sat at Tanner Park. We are moving the senior city into the community action building. We have an agreement to holding a food bank so once a week people can come in and get food and clothing. Mr. Rolles we are getting a new Elementary School. Also, we did a Veterans Day celebration. We are trying to initiate a Community Coalition program a partnership between Office of community Coalition and South Bay. We have scheduled WRCS and the city to discuss the prospect to bring model homes into this area. We may create some jobs in the area. Also having a distribution center and that would create some jobs 60 – 100 jobs to begin with. (someone else) Also MLK Blvd we are going to redo the entire street and also we have students from the university to paint homes.

Comm. Walker has arrived – we have several projects we host back to school bash this year was huge success – Aug 24 the USBA HUD a lot of the major organizations came out and took a tour – we are working with USBA we also hosted Veteran's Day this year we had 100 people usually it is 50 people. The realm of grants we applied for several grants 2 we got approved Homeland Security training and exercise they go before the county the 20th of this month – the Dept of Justice we were awarded \$ 45798 – USDA awarded us some money \$149500. FDOT we submitted a grant for some buses we have 3 buses in the City of Pahokee for afterschool program or for senior citizens so we need some more busses – they have a group CUTR is coming out to see how they can help us they are going to give us \$90000. Community Block Grant will renovate our gym received in 2009 \$335,000 – the remained portion will be for the Commissioners Park restroom \$65,000 and the county gave us some more money. The football field will be renovated they granted \$60,000 to do that – that is in the process. We submitted grants to EOC and other offices – if you know some. In Nov we had a job fair we had 300 people to show up for Solid Waste. Aerobics class is Tues and Thur and Xmas Parade was Monday night. Last Friday we hosted the BBQ and approx. 500 attended.

Mr. Rose: Tri-City Education that is organized by all the cities – 2011 finalize the 3 schools in the glades area we are in the planning stages we have glades youth that was approved this year – we were trying to work with the kids – at ??? Middle School we have a new principal Ms. Greece from South Bay – a new principal at North (??) Elementary – Dr. Abrams – Folke Elementary has a new asst. principal – we coordinate with the superintendent to come out.

A lady who was sick???: Welcome to the Brand New South Bay Control Center – I am delighted that you can see the center – packets are on the back paper – it has the application to rent the facility – the depot was originally called in 2002 the yellow house next door is the oldest house in South Bay it was an old railroad depot – in 2009 we visited completion the city gave ownership to PBC to complete – the grand opening on 08/20 – the first rental was 2 weeks after it has been rented ever since – in the regulations that you have - point 16 it talks about an off duty police officer required – if my brother-in-law works for the sheriff dept won't he do and the answer is no – it will jeopardize the job of the deputy to do that for you the bldg capacity is 100 the tables and chairs are housed here in the big room we have 12 large round tables and 10 rectangle tables. We ask you to clean and be out by 10 because the campground quiet hours are 10 pm. This building has been used for baptism, birthday parties, wedding, post funeral reception, high school class reunion meeting and meetings and trainings. The CERT training will be held here on Tues and Thur for 4 weeks starting 01/10. The railroad cottage is the oldest existing house in South Bay. South Bay was founded in 1910. The railroad landed in 1925. She talked about the history of the railroad and its existence.

Breaking for tour - Angie Murdock

Joe Braxton – Non for profit Housing Corporation quiet waters – it is for seniors – it started many years ago – Robert Wood Foundation and Elder Affairs for seniors that are economically disadvantaged. I would like to thank a lot of people to make it happen. We have achieved 100% occupancy. I want to thank Florida housing finance corp. BCC and housing community development, the investors that brought the tax credits the city of Belle Glade the housing authority and the office of community revitalization. They have been an advocate of this project. We have created jobs all leading up to 32 positions. I believe this is a success story. OCR had hands on in this projects. 2 unadvertised opportunities – I spoke at the community college we are looking for an operator of the hair salon and also built and furnished an adult day care center and we are looking for someone to run it. If you know someone let me know.

Tate: Dan Murphy and OCR are trying to put in a Canal Point boardwalk instead of people fishing right on the bank. The community is going to move forward in putting together a Planning Community to get it together in 2012. The 12th Street project almost went dead because the money was on the board for a number of years but we went to BCC. Quiet Waters I had the pleasure wearing 2 hats – Joe followed up on everything that he was talking about.