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Glades Technical Advisory Committee Minutes

Meeting Title:

Glades Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

Facilitator:

Houston Tate, Director

Scribe (recorder):

Duane Gainer, Senior Planner

Date/Time:

9:30 AM - 11:00 AM

Location:

12860 US Hwy 441, Canal Point

Meeting Attendance:

Rev. David Broadbent, Canal Point Community Development

Duane Gainer, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization

Ella Gilbert, P.B.C. Tax Collectors' Office

Chrystal Mathews, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization

Angela Morlok, P.B.C. Metropolitan Planning Organization

Dan Murphy, LORE

Erica Redmon, City of Pahokee

Eddie Rhodes, Tri-City Education

Stephen Stokes, Target Engineering Group

Houston Tate, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization

Brenda Thomas, Planned Parenthood

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Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome and Introductions

Comments: Mr. Tate called the meeting to order at 9:56 am. He asked for a "Moment of Silence" for the late Dr. Effie Grear, a Belle Glade Educator and Community Leader. Participants in attendance were asked to introduce themselves for the "record".

2. Special Presentations

Dan Murphy, Executive Director, LORE- Presented conceptual drawings/designs prepared by a Mr. Thibideau of Beacon Design International (pro-bono). The designs are for a boardwalk in Canal Point. The "boardwalk is considered as an "economic driver" by LORE. Requested some sort of "thank-you" for Beacon Design for work they completed on the boardwalk project.

Chrystal Mathews, Senior Planner, OCR- Presented the OCR's Canal Point Boardwalk. OCR prepared and submitted a Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Transportation Enhancement (TE) Grant. The proposed project will construct a connector pedestrian/bike bridge along Old Connors Highway and cross over the L10 Canal, connecting to the northern end of the canal, linking the downtown area to the Nemaha Subdivision in Canal Point. The estimated engineer's cost and the grant amount is \$639,860.00

3. Participant Updates/Comments

Houston Tate- OCR has Harvard Scholarship information; OCR has current Job Announcements; Keep Palm Beach County Beautiful has scheduled a "major clean-up" for September 15, 2012; the NFL High School Player Development (NFL HSPD) program will take place this year on June 8th and 9th at John I. Leonard High School, and June 14th and 15th at the Pahokee Recreation Complex; the OCR Community Workshop Report should be available by the end of June.

Ella Gilbert, P.B.C. Tax Collectors Office- Distributed the Tax Collectors Annual Report and discussed the "new" drivers' license requirements.

Angie Morlok, Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)- Reported that sidewalks, traffic signals, and "bus bays" will be installed on Hooker Highway to facilitate traffic from the P.B.C. Government Center to the Lakeside Hospital within the next year and a half.

Steve Stokes, Target Engineering Group- The SR80 Guardrail Project is complete; there have been five (5) impacts to the rail so far with two impacts severe enough to have gone into the canal; SR15 project should be complete by July; 441 improvements to be done from September 2012 through January 2013.

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4. Adjournment

Comments: The meeting adjourned at 11:00 am. The next meeting will be held on June 28th at the Belle Glade City Hall.

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Approved by: Houston L. Tate, Director