

Countywide Community Revitalization Team

Meeting of February 4, 2002
10:05 a.m. – 11:40 a.m.

PZ&B – 2nd Floor Conference Room

Minutes

Present at the Meeting:

Craig Bencz, P.B.C. Planning Division
Mr. & Mrs. Norman Castle, Lakewood
Kim Ciklin Administrative Assistant to Commissioner Roberts
Linda Collins, P.B.C. Engineering
Deputy Brian Daly, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Bill DiPaolo, P.B.C. Planning Division
Bob Dovey, Administrative Assistant to Commissioner Newell
Dan Dumas, San Castle Community Leadership, Inc.
Deputy Leslie Faerber, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Captain Michael Gauger, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Gerry Gawaldo, P.B.C. Palm Tran
Harriet Goldstein, Academy for Better Communities, Barry University
Joyce Harrell, Secretary, P.B.C. Planning Division
Deputy Jimmy Hightower, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
David Hoyt, Lake Worth West
Ken Jacobson, P.B.C. Code Enforcement
Deputy Ed Jablonski, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Linda Jeter, P.B.C. Planning Division
Mathieu Jn-Baptiste, H.E.C.A., Inc.
Kathy King, Lake Worth West Resident Planning Group
Brian Kluttz, P.B.C. Planning Division
Deputy Matthew LaVigna, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Tom LeFevre, P.B.C. Health Department
John McBride, P.B.C. Solid Waste Authority
Beth McCall, P.B.C. Zoning Division
Stephen McGrew, P.B.C. Water Utilities
Chrystal Mathews, P.B.C. Planning Division
Lt. Ron Mattino, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Ruth Mognuillansky, P.B.C. Planning Division
Pam Nolan, P.B.C. Economic Development Office
Kathleen Owens, P. B.C. Fire Rescue
Rev. Jean E. Philogene, H.E.C.A.
David Rafaidus, P.B.C. Community Services
Carlos Serrano, (Representative f/Elena Escovar), P.B.C. Housing & Community Development

Present at the Meeting:

Gail Vorpapel, P.B.C. Code Enforcement
Rachel Waterman, P.B.C. Planning Division
Allen Webb, P.B.C. Engineering

Absent:

Joanna Aiken, Solid Waste Authority
Penny Anderson, Countywide GIS
Peter Banting, P.B.C. PREM
Tim Granowitz, P.B.C. Parks & Recreation
Laurel Grim, P.B.C. GIS
Amy Petrick, P.B.C. County Attorney Office
Rae Rose, Lake Worth West Resident Planning Group

- I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION:** Ms. Ruth Moguillansky was absent from the last CCRT Meeting because she was on vacation. Ms. Moguillansky began the meeting by wishing everyone had wonderful holidays. Next, Ms. Moguillansky requested a volunteer for timekeeper, David Rafaidus volunteered; and for note taker, Tom Lefevre volunteered. Ms. Moguillansky stated we have new people and she would like the group to briefly state their name and what Department or Organization they represent.

Ms. Moguillansky stated that before going through the agenda, she would like to introduce the new additions to the Revitalization Staff. Ms. Moguillansky mentioned that these positions were approved on last year's budget which was based on the Board's desires for the Revitalization Program to put more emphasis on revitalization and to address other area needs. Ms. Moguillansky reviewed the attached Revitalization Staff Organization Chart with the group:

1. Linda Jeter – responsible for coordinating and following up on concerns with Districts 2, 4, & 5.

Chrystal Mathews and Brian Kluttz - 1) will assisting in handling the administration of this process; 2) coordinating with the Department on projects that the Board request updates on; 3) responsible for making presentations to the Board; 4) Neighborhood Partnership Grant Program; 5) handling all the funding related items for the CCRT Program; and 6) Community Organizing for the new communities.

Bill DiPaolo – will provide Publicity & Marketing assistance.

2. Rachel Waterman – a) responsible for coordinating and following up on concerns with Districts 3 & 7; b) responsible for overseeing the community organizing process; and c) Publicity & Marketing for both community successors and county efforts.

Bill DiPaolo – 1) will provide assistance; and 2) responsible for Publicity & Marketing.

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION: (Cont'd)

3. Vacant Position – a) responsible for coordinating and following up on concerns with Districts 1 & 6, including providing assistance to the Glades Communities; b) review of any proposals for the creation of community development areas with the Comprehensive Plan; c) conducting, planning & organizing, and coordinating community mission projects; and d) community organizing.

Craig Bencz – will provide assistance to this position.

Ms. Moguillansky stated that a presentation to the BCC is scheduled for February 26, 2002 giving direction regarding the Glades issues.

Ms. Moguillansky asked if anyone had questions – Lt. Ron Mattino stated we have new people attending the CCRT Meeting and they may not be familiar with the Districts. Ms. Moguillansky stated the following Commissioners names and districts: Commissioner Marcus (District 1); Commissioner Roberts (District 2); Commissioner Newell (District 3); Commissioner McCarty (District 4); Commissioner Aaronson (District 5); Commissioner Masilotti (District 6); and Commissioner Greene (District 7).

- II. Family Resources Center Initiative Update:** Ms. Harriet Goldstein state she would like to thank the group for giving her the opportunity to give a brief presentation about the Family Resource Center. The Academy of Barry University developed the program. Ms. Goldstein stated the Program is funded by Children Services and the center work on a regular basis with the CCRT, Sheriff's Office and particularly serving Community Boards; which are already in place in three (3) communities. The Children Service Council has given the approval to provide the Family Resource Center services in San Castle, Lake Worth West, and a section in Riviera Beach. The Family Resource Center has been in operation since February 2001 and is funded for the next three (3) years to provide these services. The Family Resources Center is using these three (3) communities as empowerment models. The Family Resource Center staff has gone to the Community Boards, as well as the neighbors to ask them what is it they wish and what services they believe may need to improve the quality of life for their community.

Ms. Goldstein stated the completion of the first (1st) year; a needs assessment was done on the communities. As a result of the assessment, within the three (3) communities, staff talked to approximately 750 to 1,000 people and asked them to identify what are their most major needs and what services do they require. The identified needs expressed were Early Childhood Services, Children & Youth Services and in Riviera Beach Senior Citizens were a priority need. The second question identified a need to improve services for youth issues such as health, crime, alcohol, and drug reductions in each of the neighborhoods. The assessment also indicated that when asked whom people would approach for help. They would go to family first, church second, and police third and in some instances the police second and the church last. The providers of community organizations were not looked at as the most helpful resources.

Another function of the Family Resource Center is to try to develop a congress of human services providers to enhance the delivery of human service. In the meantime, the Family Resource Center is trying to become more active in the San Castle area. The center will continue to use Rolling Green School facility until a more permanent space is found. The center is being engaged in projects with Lake Worth and now moving toward Riviera Beach. Ms. Goldstein brought brochures for the group on the Family Resource Center Program.

Ms. Goldstein mentioned that in San Castle they are preparing for a Valentine essay contest on Why I Love My Family? The community vendors are donating the prizes for the contest.

Ms. Goldstein stated the Family Resource Center was awarded a grant, from Workforce Development Board, to do a mapping of all the surveys developed in Palm Beach County on youth activities. Also, the center will be doing new mapping of actual region kids in Lake Worth West and this will be the first of the regional sector to be utilized where the Family Resource Center will provide training to young people to go out into the community to say this is part of a national project. The State of Florida is the second State to identify such projects taking place in the United States where young people are asked to identify areas of concern for improvement and needs in the community. Ms. Goldstein invited everyone's assistance in helping this program provide these services successfully.

Ms. Moguillansky asked if the issue regarding the use of Rolling Green School facility been solved. Ms. Goldstein stated it has been solved. Ms. Goldstein further stated the principal validly asked the center's opinion for insurance monies for the use of the facilities and the Board elected to move ahead with that and try to get some of the rent money back. Hopefully that money will be forthcoming. Ms. Moguillansky asked Dan Dumas by having the use of the school, if it is helping them. Mr. Dumas replied absolutely, it's neutral grounds. Brian Klutz intervened by stating he recently met with the San Castle Community Board and the Principal of Rolling Green Elementary School to discuss the next six (6) month's of activities. The Principal was open on numerous activities but closed on a few others. The San Castle Community Board is scheduled to meet with the Principal in late February to discuss in more detail some of the activities. Mr. Klutz further stated progress is being made.

Ms. Moguillansky thanked Ms. Goldstein and the Family Resource Center Staff for taking the initiative in helping the communities. Ms. Moguillansky encouraged Ms. Goldstein to contact the CCRT Team for any specific needs, and to please coordinate all efforts undertaken in the area with the Community Revitalization Coordinators.

III. REPORTS:

A. Zoning Report:

Beth McCall reported:

- JFK Charter School – Ms. McCall and Ruth Moguillansky met with agents from the charter school, location is Melaleuca Road & Davis Road. JFK wants to provide the charter school for their employees. During the meeting, discussion was about applying some of the Lake Worth Corridor architectural current standards to the project, which will go to Public Hearing for approval. Ms. Moguillansky intervened by stating this project is in the Lake Worth Corridor and the Commissioner asked that we meet with the agent. Ms. Moguillansky stated as soon as we get the formal application, it would be shared with the group in the event you may have concerns. During the meeting also, discussion was about a six (6) step guideline that should be applied to the plan.

Deputy Hightower asked if this will be a newly built structure or will they use an existing building. Ms. Moguillansky responded it is going to be a new building. Ms. Moguillansky further mentioned that we need to make sure, because the commercial overlay only dealt with the commercial corridor, that is along Lake Worth Road, that any development that comes in is consistent with the image of the rest of the corridor.

Deputy Hightower inquired about the status on clearing the property and the lighting of the property next to the church on Lakewood & Military. Ms. McCall said she would look into it. Ms. Kathy King intervened and stated that she thinks the members of the church on last Sunday had a dedication of the land. Ms. Moguillansky intervened and stated the agent for the project wanted to discuss it with the Sheriff Department to see if there is anything they should take into consideration when doing the final plan. Ms. Moguillansky asked who should she refer them to at the Sheriff's Office. Deputy Hightower responded he has a team that does that and that Ms. Moguillansky could refer them to him.

Ms. Moguillansky inquired about an issue that was discussed at the last CCRT Meeting regarding a letter to PREM from Zoning. Ms. Waterman responded the letter has been forwarded.

Necessary Action: Deputy Hightower asked Ms. McCall to follow-up on the status of the church site property located on Lakewood & Military Trail, behind the Funeral Home, regarding the clearing and lighting of property.

B. Status Report on Park Improvements: Tim Granowitz & Peter Banting were absent.

Ms. Moguillansky is requesting that if a CCRT Member is going to be absent from the meeting, please send her a brief e-mail or contact her by phone to relay the status of your report or follow-up on an issue.

Ms. Moguillansky began by asking Brian Kluttz if he had a report or an update in reference to the meeting with a community resident in Schall Circle. Brian Kluttz stated that he met with a Schall Circle resident to tour the community for potential sites suitable for a neighborhood park. Mr. Kluttz stated he later did a preliminary research on those properties and then forwards the information to Tim Granowitz Office. Next, Mr. Kluttz felt he needed to get more community input regarding the potential sites. Mr. Kluttz also stated he had an opportunity to speak with Mr. Seaman, Executive Director of the Palm Beach County Housing Authority, who offered to provide a facility in the community as a potential meeting place. Mr. Kluttz, further stated, now it is a matter of encouraging the residents to come. Discussion ensued regarding the community policing in the area and a contact resident representative for the Schall Circle area. Ms. Rachel Waterman intervened by stating she checked the database and there is not a name for any Schall Circle residents. Ms. Moguillansky requested Allen Webb and Steven McGrew to forward any contacts from the Schall Circle area to Brian Kluttz.

Lt. Ron Mattino requested Brian Kluttz to contact him regarding the Schall Circle area, so he may assist in recruiting residents. Lt. Ron Mattino also mentioned that Deputy Matthew LaVigna would now be assisting in the Schall Circle area because the Officer assigned has been sent to Afghanistan.

Necessary Action: Allen Webb and Steven McGrew are requested to forward resident names for the Schall Circle area to Brian Kluttz. Brian Kluttz is to contact Lt. Ron Mattino when he is ready to go out into the community.

C. Status Report on Infrastructure Improvements:

Allen Webb reported:

- Lake Worth Corridor Phase IV Water Main - he received bids and on April 2, 2002, he will present for contract to award to the Board. Mr. Webb mentioned there is a bid protest on this project.
- Lake Worth Corridor - Coconut Road, 42nd Way, and Herndon Park are all under construction for paving & drainage.

C. Status Report on Infrastructure Improvements: (Cont'd)

Allen Webb reported: (Cont'd)

- Herberts Road/Herndon Park – regarding Herberts Road, a Public Hearing is scheduled on February 26, 2002. A change order will be included at the same time for Herndon Park. Herberts Road has become a part of Herndon Park.
- 43rd Drive - is out for bid and he should receive all bids by tomorrow, February 5, 2002.

Allen Webb reported: (Cont'd)

- Main & Vermont Project – good news, he receive the Lake Worth District Drainage Permits. Discussion ensued regarding South Florida Water Management District's permitting.
- San Castle - the construction for drainage will start this week and should be complete within fifty (50) days. The water main is under design and will go out for bid once the drainage is completed. The surveys and the aerials have been done.

Ms. Waterman intervened and requested Mr. Dumas to ask Ms. Juana Ramos to reserve a place on the Board Meeting Agenda to discuss scheduling a ceremony to celebrate the completion of the drainage and street lighting projects. Discussion ensued regarding adequately publicizing the ceremony.

- San Castle – resident has palm trees planted in the area where the drainage lines are being installed. Ms. Waterman asked Mr. Webb for the property owner's name and address regarding this issue. Ms. Waterman will report this issue at the Community Board Meeting. Discussion ensued on how to prevent this from happening again.
- Cinquez Park West Road – bids were received on paving, drainage, and sanitary sewer. Mr. Webb stated to schedule a Public Hearing; he would need to do his assessment role; and to do so he needs to know what is being approved by the CCRT. Ms. Moguillansky brought up the CCRT proposal presented to the group in December 2001. Ms. Moguillansky ended by stating Mr. Allen will have an answer on March 26, 2002 when the item will be presented to the Board.

C. Status Report on Infrastructure Improvements: (Cont'd)

Steven McGrew reported: (Cont'd)

- Lake Worth Corridor - getting ready to send out the petitions for special assessments for all the remaining roads that do not have water. Mr. McGrew stated that he has separated the project into two (2) groups: 1) the public streets (Davis Road from Lake Worth to the L-14, Mathis Street from Melaleuca to the L-13, and bid the public and private portion of Brooklyn Lane – proposed CCRT funding for a reduced cost of water main assessment of \$20.00 Per Front Foot; and 2) the private streets – will be petitioned for the full amount because of the right-of-way is not existent. Mr. McGrew stated he would coordinate with Rachel Waterman about that issue. On Brooklyn Lane, which is a private road, the easements have been signed and he is waiting on the legal description to go ahead with installing the water mains. Mr. McGrew further stated that the additional monies needed, to complete the project, was included in the CCRT Funding Proposal.
- Lake Worth Commercial Sewer – the contractor has been notified of potential liquidated damages. The project should be completed by the end of this month. Ms. Mognillansky asked Mr. McGrew if this area would qualify as a brownfield. Mr. McGrew responded no.
- Schall Circle – the water mains are being done as part of the Community Development Block Grant. Mr. McGrew stated that he has returned the plans to the consultants along with his comments. The consultants will resubmit the plans back to him within two (2) weeks. Mr. McGrew further stated the water mains should be completed within forty-five (45) days and ready for permits. Mr. Allen Webb intervened by stated that the roadway plan is 96% complete and the project should be under construction by this summer.
- Royal Palm Estates (new project) - water mains will run down Wallace Road from the street canal on Military Trail.
- Stacey Street – The bid should be advertised around the date of the next CCRT Meeting, March 4, 2002.
- Congress Avenue (eastside between Forest Hill & Summit) – a special assessment will be completed within the next thirty (30) days.

C. Status Report on Infrastructure Improvements: (Cont'd)

Steven McGrew reported: (Cont'd)

- CDBG Application – submitted two (2) applications this year: 1) CCRT area – Vilma Lane; and 2) Pope Estates (SW corner of Summit & Military Trail). Mr. McGrew thanked Ruth Moguillansky for her assistance. An income survey was done, and HCD did a great job. The survey showed ninety percent (90%) of the people were below poverty level. Mr. McGrew stated that when the 2002 census information is available, the CCRT needs to look at the report and see how it affects the CCRT Program and maybe the boundaries need to be revised or better decide what projects should be done with the Block Grant. Mr. McGrew mentioned he was trying to do a special assessment in an area that really should have gone for Block Grant Public Assistance and this created a lot work for him.

Ms. Moguillansky instructed the group to forward questions from Royal Palm Estates community residents pertaining to infrastructure improvement projects to Steven McGrew. Ms. Moguillansky further informed the group if Airport related, you could refer questions to her. Commissioner Masilotti has responded in a letter sent to the Royal Palm Estates residents sharing with them everything that has been done. Ms. Moguillansky ensued in more detail regarding this issue.

Ms. Moguillansky informed the group she would be receiving an assessment on February 5, 2002 regarding the Audit of the CCRT Program. Ms. Moguillansky stated she received a call from the Auditor this morning inquiring about the \$1 Million Dollars spent on projects in Mr. Webb's and Mr. McGrew's Departments. Therefore, Ms. Moguillansky is requesting Mr. Webb and Mr. McGrew to provide her with a cost breakdown of CCRT Projects; totaling \$1 Million dollars. The report is requested by today at 2:00 p.m., February 4th.

Necessary Action: Ms. Waterman requested Mr. Dumas to ask Ms. Juana Ramos about scheduling a date for completion of the drainage and street lighting projects ceremony. Mr. Webb is to provide Ms. Waterman with the property owner's name and address regarding the palm trees in the line of the drainage being installed. Ms. Moguillansky instructed the group to refer questions regarding the Royal Palm Estates to Commissioner Masilotti; and Airport related questions to her. Ms. Moguillansky requested a breakdown of \$1 Million Dollars spent on projects from Mr. Webb and Mr. McGrew.

D. Community Policing Status Report:

- Deputy Jimmy Hightower stated he has been on vacation since December 2001 and he brought staff to present items and answer questions.
- Deputy Leslie Faerber reported that she has been policing the areas and attending both Seminole Manor and San Castle Community Meetings. The residents have come by the Sheriff's Sub-station to share problems of concern with them. Deputy Faerber stated this week they will spend time remodeling the building in San Castle. Although the lease was approved allowing the use of the school for another year, they still need a community center. Ms. Mognuillansky intervened by stating the CCRT Team is recommending allocating \$100,000 to acquire an existing site for the community center. This item will be presented to the Board on March 26, 2002 and mentioned the Sheriff's Office is welcome to give their support at the Board Meeting.
- Deputy Matthew Lavigna stated the community involvement has been tremendous since the policing staff returned from the September 11th tragedy.

Ms. Mognuillansky intervened by stressing the importance of having the policing staff in the communities and she thanked them for all of their help.

- Deputy Matthew LaVigna reported that he has moved up to the northern West Palm Beach and Riviera Beach area and has been assigned as Corporal to oversee the Gramercy Park area. Deputy LaVigna mentioned that he is new and is becoming familiar with the residents.

Lt. Ron Mattino intervened by stating that Deputy LaVigna was assigned to those areas as a training officer for all the other community police officers. Lt. Mattino further stated that Deputy LaVigna has involvement with the CRA in Westgate and is lead trainer in Schall Circle Park.

- Deputy Jimmy Hightower briefly mentioned there was a homicide on Vermont Street. Deputy Hightower stated that since reporting back on January 2nd, he has documented eighty-three (83) arrest; and six (6) tickets in Royal Palm Estates. Deputy Hightower stated he is trying to patrol each site in District 1 and working on the Grant. The first week back, he assisted in pressure cleaning homes and he is just happy to be back and looking forward to getting things organized again.

D. Community Policing Status Report: (Cont'd)

Captain Michael Gauger reported:

- He is glad to see Deputy Hightower and the crew back in District 1. Captain Gauger mentioned a study was done and he gave a brief statement regarding the number of traffic stops and calls per minute for the morning and afternoon shifts. This study showed just how busy the officers are. Captain Gauger spoke on the different areas experiencing specific problems. Captain Gauger also mentioned 10th Avenue north area, Summer Street, and Rudolph Street, where he formed a landlord coalition that will be meeting once a month. The landlord coalition will now include the Panther Park area.
- Landlord Tenant Training Program - last month there was a landlord tenant-training program where we brought the RCT out of the Regional Community Policing Institute to the Sheriff's Office. There were Forty-two (42) Officers (Thirty-four (34) were Sheriff's Office employees and the other were from some of the other municipalities) were taught how to work with landlords and tenants to improve their cites. Captain Gauger informed the group a booklet would be available by the end of next month (March) for landlords specifically in Palm Beach County.
- Lake Belvedere Estates – requested Gail Vorpagel's Team to do a drive-by in the area and the team is doing a lot of work in there.
- Tim Gaskin has always been a tremendous help everywhere and has helped in the past several areas that are not necessarily community policing cites.
- Sleepy Hollow – is not a community policing site nor a CCRT area, he has cleaned up a lot of homes thanks to Doug Saeger and the other guys. Captain Gauger stated that he has located the owner of the seven (7) acre wooded lot, across from the Gun Club Café. A trespassing sign is in the process of being posted and he has an affidavit to arrest trespassers. There have been several homeless camps on the property.

Ms. Moguillansky stated that if anyone is working in an area that may qualify as a potential CCRT area; please provide her with the information. Ms. Moguillansky would like to take those areas into consideration when the CCRT goes through the revision of the current list and then begins the process to identify new areas for our focus.

Necessary Action: Ms. Moguillansky stated that if anyone is working in an area that may qualify as a potential CCRT area; please provide her with the information.

E. Code Enforcement/Solid Waste Authority Status Report:

Gail Vorpapel reported:

- Lake Belvedere Estates – January 14th marks her stay in the area and she has not had to write a lot of violations in the area.
- Gramercy Park – the entire team visited; along with Lt. Mattino and Deputies tagged about forty-two (42) violations. On February 8th, the team will be visiting the area again.
- Summit & Kirk Road (south of the elementary school) Sunset, Sunrise, High Street, and Pot of Gold Street – team will be visiting this area.

Ms. Moguillansky mentioned an issue discussed at the January CCRT Meeting regarding a letter of foreclosure on 328 Urghart Street property from Commissioner Newell. Ken Jackson responded he thought Bob Weisman had taken care of the letter. Bob Dovey thought the letter was to be initiated by Commissioner Newell. Ms. Moguillansky asked Bob Dovey to follow-up on the status of the letter.

Captain Michael Gauger inquired about the recreation equipment to be installed for the new project, being built across from Emerald Lakes. Ms. Moguillansky is requesting that Ms. McCall follow-up on the status of the project and if the project has not been approved yet, to make a copy available to Michael Gauger, so that the Sheriff Department could comment in writing regarding the project. Discussion ensued regarding this project and the name has been changed several times. Ken Jackson commented if there were two (2) projects going on there. Beth McCall responded Congress Lakes and Congress Parks. Discussion ensued regarding the two (2) projects.

John McBride, representative for Joanna Aiken, reported:

- Great American Clean up – kickoff is eight (8) weeks away. Mr. McBride brought flyers and packets to share with the group. Mr. McBride gave Kudos to San Castle and Lake Worth West. These are the only two (2); out of twenty (20+) Adopt-A-Spot communities that completed and submitted their applications.
- Mr. McBride requested to meet with Deputy Leslie Faerber after the meeting.

Ms. Moguillansky requested a copy of the Paint Your Heart Out Application. Mr. McBride provided the Secretary with a copy of the application.

Ms. Waterman asked Mr. McBride if he is still working in the Lake Worth Corridor. Mr. McBride responded yes, and he is the one that has been handling the calls for the Lake Worth Corridor. Mr. McBride further stated that his geographical area is District 4, Hypoluxo to Forest Hill. Mr. McBride brought business cards for the group.

Ms. Moguillansky intervened stating on last week, Chrystal Mathews, Rachel Waterman, Linda Jeter, and herself met with Kevin Rateree, Vice-President of GL Homes. During the meeting, Mr. Rateree showed an interest in giving back to the community and he inquired about the CCRT's involvement with the community in determining where his company could give support. Mr. Rateree is meeting this week with his Executive Committee to discuss what was discussed in the meeting to see if these are the types of projects the company can provide assistance with.

Necessary Action: Ms. Moguillansky asked Bob Dovey to follow-up on the 328 Urghart foreclosure letter. Ms. Moguillansky is requesting that Ms. McCall follow-up on the status of the recreation equipment project (across from Emerald Lakes) and gives the report to Michael Gauger.

F. Community Organizing Activities:

Rachel Waterman reported:

- Lake Worth West – letter was forwarded to PREM. PREM and Zoning has started the appraisal process on the building. The owner has been waiting for a year to be contacted regarding the sell of the property. The property was not included on the Neighborhood Model Block Project.
- Leadership College Program – committee met last week. The new name of the leadership college program is REAP, Residents Education to Action Program. Ms. Waterman reviewed with the group a number of questions presented from the residents. Ms. Waterman said the residents would like to meet one (1) night a week for approximately no more than two (2) hours. Ms. Waterman also stated that the courses for the program should be in place by the end of the year.
- Ms. Waterman thanked Matthieu Baptist, HECA, and other members of his team for attending the CCRT Meeting and also for providing the group with refreshments.

F. Community Organizing Activities: (Cont'd)

Ms. Moguillansky inquired about a response from PREM regarding whether PREM will be responsible for completing the Conditional Use Application. Ms. Moguillansky further stated PREM should be the one completing the application because Zoning has indicated that they cannot complete the application if they are the reviewing agency. Ms. Moguillansky is requesting that Ms. Waterman follow-up on the completion of the Conditional Use Application and to see if any assistance could be provided to ensure that the process is completed.

Kathy King intervened by inquiring about the difference of the allocated money and the actual purchase price of the property. Ms. King would like to use the difference of the funds to improve other parts of the building. Ms. Moguillansky responded by stating the funds were allocated for the acquisition of the property and the remaining balance will be placed back into the CCRT Funds.

Necessary Action: Ms. Moguillansky is requesting that Ms. Waterman follow-up on the completion of the Conditional Use Application

G. Neighborhood Partnership Grant Program Update:

Nothing to Report.

Necessary Action: None

H. CCRT Resident Representatives Comments:

Kathy King comments:

- Model Block Project – The first workday was preparing three (3) homes for painting. This Saturday, February 9th, will be the second workday to paint those homes and hopefully prepare more homes for painting.
- Family Resource Center – a Grand Opening will be held on February 23rd at 3923 Lake Worth Road, celebrating their new office and also a raffle will be held.

Ms. Moguillansky commented that it would be good if the Deputies for each CCRT area provide assistance to the residents so that they could work toward implementing the project for which they obtain monies from the Grant.

H. CCRT Resident Representatives Comments: (Cont'd)

Dan Dumas comments: (Cont'd)

- San Castle would like to thank the Sheriff's Deputies for doing such a good job. Mr. Dumas further stated the Deputies are very welcome in the community and are very competent officers.
- Purchase of the church site – inquired about the status of the negotiation of the property. Ms. Moguillansky stated the negotiations have been completed and the contract for acquisition is going before the Board in March. Ms. Moguillansky ensued with a discussion of the Agenda Item process. Ms. Moguillansky is requesting Rachel Waterman to contact Peter Banting regarding the timeframes involved for this project.
- San Castle – because of issues still existing, another drive-by through the neighborhood is requested. Mr. Dumas mentioned they had been having problems with chickens being kept in the community. Mr. Dumas further mentioned that the issue with the chickens was resolved by stray dogs destroying the chickens. Discussion ensued about livestock in the community.

Ms. Moguillansky made a comment, in reference to San Castle, that in 1999 it was projected that it would take three (3) years to start seeing improvement in the neighborhood. Mr. Dumas responded, you were correct and things do take time.

Florence Castle, Lakewood Representative comments:

- No report, except for she will continue to attend the community meetings and is trying to get more residents involved in the neighborhood community meetings.

Ms. Moguillansky asked Ms. Castle if she was aware of a meeting held to discuss the conception plan for the park. Ms. Castle responded Tim Granowitz did come to a meeting to discuss the plans for the park. Ms. Waterman intervened by stating that an overhead of the park design was available if anyone is interested. Brian Kluttz commented that maybe the CCRT could use the same strategy as Schall Circle. Mr. Kluttz ensued with the strategy for Schall Circle.

Deputy Jimmy Hightower intervened stating that a more personal approach with the community residents would be more effective in getting residents attention and appearing at the community meetings and activities. Deputy Hightower used the Barbecue event for example: the Deputies and Deputy Hightower knocked on doors to get the residents to attend the event. Approximately five-hundred (500) residents from the Lakewood neighborhood participated.

H. CCRT Resident Representatives Comments: (Cont'd)

Ms. Moguillansky suggested it would be a good idea if Deputy Jimmy Hightower, Rachel Waterman, and Bill DiPaolo could work on finding a way to address the issue of encouraging more community residents to get involved.

Captain Michael Gauger brought up the issue regarding a commitment being made from the Park Police to do occasional drive-by in the community parks.

Necessary Action: Ms. Moguillansky is asking Deputy Hightower, Rachel Waterman, and Bill DiPaolo to work together in finding a way to recruit community residents involvement.

I. Other Items: Ms. Moguillansky asked if anyone else had anything to report.

Carlos Serrano – Nothing to Report.

Bob Dovey – Nothing to Report.

Kim Ciklin – Nothing to Report.

Kathy Owens – Nothing to Report.

IV. NEW BUSINESS: None

V. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS:

- The next CCRT meeting will be held on March 4, 2002.

- Allen Webb will bring refreshments.

VI. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 11:40.

Minutes prepared by

Joyce Harrell, CCRT Secretary