

Countywide Community Revitalization Team

Meeting of, 2012
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Palm Beach County Vista Center, Room 1E-60

Minutes

Al Albrecht, Plantation Village
Deputy A. Barricklow, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Shirley Cantelo, Old Trail Resident
Carol Clinton, Lake Worth West
Deputy John Delaura, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Larry Diegert, Plantation Community
Deputy Will Dieujuste, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Deputy J. Ellis, P.B.C. Sheriffs' Office
Duane Gainer, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization
Deputy Willie Hanks, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Andy Hartmann, P.B.C. Engineering
Quinn Hayes, P.B.C. Health Department
Deputy Kirkham, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Captain Jeff Lindskoog, P.B.C. Sheriffs' Office
Ilene Long, Old Trail Resident
Chrystal Mathews, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization
Jean Matthews, P.B.C. Parks and Recreation
Ruth Mogueillansky, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization
David Rafaidus, P.B.C. Community Services
Dr. Audley Reid, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization
Douglas Robinson, P.B.C. Zoning
Deputy Keith Russell, P.B.C. Sheriffs' Office
John Sawyers, Westgate Association
Scott Schultz, P.B.C. Housing and Community Development
Houston Tate, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization
Gail Vorpagel, P.B.C. Code Enforcement
Brenda Warren, Royal Palm Estates Resident
Lieutenant Wesley White, P.B.C. Animal Care and Control
William Wynn, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS:

Mr. Tate and Mr. Gainer welcomed the group on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners, County Administration, and the Office of Community Revitalization to this month's Countywide Community Revitalization Team (CCRT) meeting. Mr. Gainer asked meeting participants to state their name, organization and/or neighborhood represented for the record.

II. REVIEW FOLLOW-UPS:

No follow-ups.

III. DEPARTMENT UPDATES:

Andy Hartmann, Engineering representative, reported on the following:

- Sylvan Lane -was completed on 11/23/11
- Wallis Road sidewalk is 35% design complete and being reviewed
- 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Sunbeam and Wallis – contract for construction is going to the Board on 01/24 at \$648,113.00
- Patio Court and Canton Rd – CDBG funding; working on a memo of understanding with HCD
- 181st Street - currently working on putting together Board item for 03/20 and trying for meeting on 03/05 – sewer and water project –
- 182nd Street has been dropped
- Ohio Road - received CDBG funding; going to board 01/24 (John Whiteside was low bidder at \$158,000.
- Cinquez Park - working on finalizing paperwork;
- Breezy sidewalk - completed Lake Worth permit and sent off for approval.

Mr. Gainer asked if Engineering keeps a total of how much CDBG funding they bring in a year.

Mr. Hartmann replied that they brought in \$230,000 per year for the last 2 years.

David Rafaidus, Community Services representative, reported on the following:

- He brought some brochures; his department has money to allocate to assist with rents and electrical bills;
- Veterans Services, and employment, homelessness, job education;
- Li Heap- there are some things for seniors and single parents;
- They work with the Silver Alert program; they have money for HIV/Aids, substance abuse, mental illness;
- Compliments to the REAP program because people are calling him now because he gave out his business cards when he presented a couple of years ago.

Ms. Moguillansky asked Mr. Rafaidus if he could send us information on the programs.

Mr. Rafaidus responded yes, and to call 355-4700. Maybe we can put that on the web page.

Jean Matthews, Parks and Recreation representative, reported on the following:

- San Castle Park – the playground equipment has been replaced; they are looking forward to a good community event.

Ms. Moguillansky added that she is coordinating with Debra from her department.

Ms. Moguillansky provided an update on the Lake Worth West portable. Back in 2010, the BCC recommended money for a portable. Now we need additional funds, \$270,000 for the portable.

Mrs. Matthews stated that her and Michael Owns are buying portable units and their cost is \$100,000 per. They have 2 construction coordinators and they might can help her.

Scott Schultz, HCD representative, reported on the following:

- Fiscal Year 2012 CDBG Planning process will have a BCC public meeting on 01/17 when HCD will present their recommendations on how to use their funds.

Quinn Hayes, PBC Health Department, reported on the following:

- 01/28 – Diva Bedites Event in Belle Glade on diabetes, Luther Vandross’ mother has been involved in this. It is to provide information about diabetes as well as getting manicures, pedicures, and general health information. The sponsor is Lakeside Medical.

IV. OCR STAFF REPORTS:

Mr. Tate mentioned PBSO starting a tennis program and that they had a community awareness meeting. They had Serena and Venus Williams to attend and they raised \$10,000 that will be used for Gramercy Park.

Now going into the Workshop we will like to begin the year in assisting you with the issues. We are coming with an assessment evaluation workshop (how we look at having better programs and what are some of the presentations that we should have here). As we move forward what kind of training and resources, technical assistance. This is input that can help us find out what is important to you. We want to have more tangible ways to help communities. We want to attend more community meetings. Many of you have different issues. When you come to our meetings and workshops it is worth your time. We will meet on the 20th as staff to put workshop together. A neighborhood revitalization plan will not be part of the workshop. There will be a template you can work on. We need to collaborate with each other. We will be asking you to participate and share ideas. We can do a better job if we find out what you need. Kids may need more positive activities. That is the basis of the workshop.

Capt. Lindskoog stated that there is nothing addressing public safety.

Crystal Mathews stated that we designed this template for the public. Public Safety, Law Enforcement and Code Enforcement will complete the section. There is a place for you to fill out feelings regarding your community.

Tate: We need these forms to provide to Commissioners and the Administrator with numbers and what is needed demographically. You can’ talk about funding until you talk about what is important to the commissioners.

V. GRANT OPPORTUNITIES/COMMUNITY Q & A

Dr. Reed reported on the following:

- Property appraiser accepting applications until March 31 for \$1000 scholarships for kids to attend college; \$500 scholarship for 5 and another \$500 if they receive a 2.0 that semester. Children have to go full time and they have to come from high school with a 3.0 GPA. It will be in the next community connect.
- The Do Something.Org award- they award 10 people age 25 and under, they can get \$10,000 in grants and one will get \$100,000. The winners will be presented on VH1.

VI. RESIDENT COMMENTS:

Larry Diegert, Plantation Community resident, reported on the following:

- They are having elections again and he is going to try for President again but they have other people coming on board.

Mr. Gainer stated that OCR has three (3) surprise gifts from Community Service. They are being given to the following members:

Larry Diegert for the wonderful work performed last year

Andy Hartman for always having his report ready even if he does not come to the meeting.

Lt. Wesley White for his energy and commitment as a “new” team member.

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m. The next meeting will be held on February 14th.

Minutes prepared by: Duane R. Gainer, B.P.M, Senior Planner

Approved by: Houston L. Tate, Director _____