

Countywide Community Revitalization Team

Meeting of March 14, 2006

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Clayton Hutcheson Building, Room Hall “B”

Minutes

Present:

Bret Baronak, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization (OCR)
Bobbi Boynton, P.B.C. Code Enforcement
Dominic Bricillo, Roseland Park Resident
Jorceline Cadet, P.B.C. Housing Authority
Shirley Cantelo, Old Trail Resident
Gerald Carsillo, Sun Court/Roan Lane Resident
Deputy Jose Claudio, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Carol Clinton, Lake Worth West Resident
Myran Collins, Sun Court Resident
Corporal Combs, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Jerry Crotean, N/A
Deputy W. Dieujuste, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Dan Dumas, San Castle Community Leadership Inc.
Duane Gainer, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization (OCR)
Pinal Gandhi, P.B.C. Housing & Community Development (HCD)
Janice Garza, Kenwood Resident
Seretha George, City of Greenacres
Deputy Shawn Goodard, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Tim Granowitz, P.B.C. Parks & Recreation Department
Cynthia Hammond, City of South Bay
Patricia Harmon, Royal Palm Beach Estates/Southern Blvd. Pines Resident
Joyce Harrell, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization (OCR)
Bruce R. Hilker, P.B.C. Code Enforcement Division
Brendon Horne, Royal Palm Estates Resident
Deputy Rodney Hudson, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Peggy Hunter, Sun Court Resident
Ken Jackson, P.B.C. Code Enforcement Division
Jan Jeck, P.B.C. Property & Real Estate Management
Deputy Kirkham, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Marion Kirkwood, N/A
Art Kirstein, P.B.C. Cooperative Extension
Kathy King, Lake Worth West Resident Planning Group
Ilene Long, Military Park Resident
Edward Lowery, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization (OCR)
Lt. Ed Luty, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office

Present (Cont'd)

Michael Marquis, P.B.C. Engineering Department
Chrystal Mathews, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization (OCR)
Gerry Metayer, Old Trail Resident
Bilal Mujahid, P.B.C. Water Utilities
Deputy Eddie Nelson, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Pam Nolan, P.B.C. Economic Development Office
Sandra Payne, Kenwood Resident
David Rafaidus, P.B.C. Community Services
LaToya Ricketts, Office of Community Revitalization (OCR)
Courtney Shippey, P.B.C. Health Department
Deputy Robert Schroder, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office (Indian Pines)
Deputy Garry Schettini, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office (Padgett Island)
Sharon Sheppard, Westgate/Belvedere Homes CRA
Nora Spear, Sun Court/Roan Lane Resident
Deputy Dwayne Thomas, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Corp. Trombley, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Deputy C. Veneziano, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
Terry Verner, P.B.C. Code Enforcement Division
Gail Vorpapel, P.B.C. Code Enforcement Division
William Wynn, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization

CCRT Members Absent:

Joanna Aiken, Solid Waste Authority
Penny Anderson, P.B.C. GIS
Jeff Collins, P.B.C. Fire Rescue
Diana Cunningham, P.B.C. Criminal Justice Commission
Gerry Gawaldo, P.B.C. Palm Tran
Tim Granowitz, P.B.C. Parks & Recreation
Anne Helfant, P.B.C. Attorney's Office
Tom Lefevre, P.B.C. Health Department
Don Loutsch, Children Services Council
Michael Owens, P.B.C. School District
Chauncey Taylor II, P.B.C. Facilities Development & Operations Department (FDO)
Guy W. Volk, P.B.C. Housing & Community Development
Dean Wells, P.B.C. Building Division

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION:

Duane Gainer introduced himself and asked meeting participants to introduce themselves.

Mr. Gainer announced that Bret Baronak, Senior Planner, last day with OCR is on Friday. Mr. Baronak will be working with the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) with Palm Beach County.

II. REVIEW OF MINUTES:

Mr. Gainer asked if anyone had corrections to the February 7, 2006 CCRT minutes. There were no corrections to the minutes.

III. REVIEW OF FOLLOW-UPS:

Mr. Gainer stated that copies were provided regarding the following issues/concerns discussed at the February 7, 2006 CCRT meeting:

- 1) Canal Point School Preservation – Mr. Edward Lowery suggested that Mr. Erickson make his wishes officially known to the School District and to the District’s Commissioner regarding his interest in restoring the Old Canal Point School property.

FOLLOW UP UNDERTAKEN/STATUS: a) Based on information provided from Pam Nolan, with the P.B.C. Economic Development Office, Mr. Erickson has already met with Commissioner Masilotti and Barry Present, from the P.B.C. School District, to continue discussions regarding this issue; b) Mr. Erickson has also met with Vicki Silver concerning the project and he continues to work towards preserving the property.

- 2) Sun Court Code Enforcement – Mrs. Shirley Carsillo, Community Representative, inquired about the code enforcement violations at 9465 Sun Court in the Elmwood Estates/Roan Lane CCRT area.

FOLLOW UP UNDERTAKEN/STATUS: a) According to information provided by Gail Vorpagel, from Code Enforcement, this case went to hearing on August 3, 2005. The Special Master gave the owner twenty (20) days to comply or be fined \$50 per day thereafter. Due to non-compliance, the fine has been accumulating since August 23, 2005; at \$50 per day; totaling a little over \$8,000. A lien against the property was filed in December 2005; b) Code Enforcement has assigned two (2) Code Officers to the Goolsby U/R Subdivision to do some comprehensive code enforcement.

- 3) Kenwood Estates Canal Maintenance – Residents of the Kenwood Estates area asked who was in charge of maintaining a portion of the canal near Grace and Carver Streets.

FOLLOW UP UNDERTAKEN/STATUS: a) Based on information provided by the Lake Worth Drainage District (LWDD) and the P.B.C. Road & Bridge Division, the County is responsible for the maintenance of the entire canal, and not just the water channel, as was mentioned by residents. The LWDD has no maintenance responsibilities for this drainage canal; b) Based on information provided by Mr. Dennis Headenshop, from the P.B.C. Road & Bridge Division, the fast growing maiden cane vegetation, property fences and large amounts of debris, such as tires and shopping carts, represent encumbrances to keep the vegetation at a low height. He stated that they try to mow the vegetation twice a year. Mr. Headenshop further stated that an extra effort would be made the next time they go out (in the summer) to get as much vegetation out as possible.

- 4) Kenwood Estates Street Lighting Project – Residents of Kenwood Estates inquired about the status of the street lighting project and the anticipated date of project completion.

FOLLOW UP UNDERTAKEN/STATUS: Based on information provided by the County’s Traffic Engineering Division, streetlights will be installed in early summer.

III. REVIEW OF FOLLOW-UPS: (Cont'd)

- 5) Royal Palm Estates/Wallis Road Area Neighborhood Park – Brendon Horne, Community Representative, asked whether the development of the neighborhood park would still be completed in June of this year, as no development activity has been seen at the site to date.

FOLLOW UP UNDERTAKEN/STATUS: Based on information provided by Tim Granowitz, from Parks & Recreation, the project is on schedule, and construction will be taken in June.

IV. PRESENTATION – P.B.C. Code Enforcement Division - Terry Verner & Gail Vorpagel

Mr. Terry Verner, Director of Code Enforcement Division, stated that he would be doing a power point presentation. The presentation will briefly explain the process and challenges of the Code Enforcement Division and he provided handouts. He began by showing an organizational chart of the Code Enforcement Staff; which consist of thirty-six (36) Code Enforcement Officers, and seven (7) clerical staff. The Code Enforcement Officers are divided into five (5) teams. They are assigned to geographical designated areas. The majority of the complaints come through telephone calls or code violation complaint forms. In addition to the 36 Code Enforcement Officers, a Condition Monitoring Team was created to handle special conditions that the Commissioners put on zoning approvals (for instance: condition that a business can not be open after 10:00p.m.). Mr. Verner further explained the functions of the five teams.

Next, Mr. Verner presented a chart showing a normal code enforcement process once the Code Inspector identifies the violation. After the violation is identified and is not corrected within the allowed time period, a Notice of Hearing is sent (hearing before Special Master). Thereafter, if there is no compliance, a daily fine amount accumulates until the violation is corrected. He talked about the statutes relating to collecting fines that could cause a lien to be placed on the property.

Mr. Verner commented that most of the workload is generated from complaints regarding zoning regulations, parking of boats, structural setback violations, and property maintenance codes. He further mentioned that the Code Enforcement Division is also responsible for Occupational License, Special Permits (Xmas tree lights), fireworks, illegal signs, abandoned vehicle removal, and water restrictions. Mr. Verner further briefly talked about each of the above categories. Mr. Verner asked the group for questions or comments.

Sharon Sheppard asked what does Code Enforcement look for when performing an Occupational License inspection. Mr. Verner responded code enforcement observes if whether the business appears to be what is on the application, handicap facilities, bathroom facilities, fire exits, and landscaping. He further explained that it is the Tax Collector's Office responsibility for handling and enforcement of Occupation License. Code Enforcement only gets involved in the inspection approval process for the Tax Collector's Office.

Someone inquired about who does the red tagging of buildings. Mr. Verner responded the Building Department.

Dan Dumas commented regarding a concern, and discussion with Gail Vorpapel about one (1) inoperable vehicle allowed per property. Ms. Vorpapel responded it should be an unlicensed vehicle. She cited the ordinance for an inoperable vehicle - an inoperable vehicle is a vehicle that cannot be started and moved under its own power. Mr. Dumas expressed a concern about a street in San Castle, which he said has broken down vehicles on the property. He stated that this has been going on for the last few years.

Mr. Dumas further questioned and he expressed that some of the Code Enforcement Ordinances need to be changed. Mr. Verner stated that Code Enforcement staff does not have the ability to change ordinances; only the County Commissioners have the ability to change ordinances. Mr. Verner read the ordinance relating to an inoperable vehicle parked on property (“it states that if you have a vehicle that runs you don’t have to register or license the vehicle if you are not going to drive it and you can keep the vehicle on the property provided it is screened” also “if the vehicle is inoperable, you can’t keep it on your property”).

Corporal Trombley asked what does an inoperable vehicle mean; does it mean that if the vehicle starts up, roll forward/backward although it is not mechanically safe (no bumper, no windshield) but can be driven on the road. Mr. Verner stated that although we lost the State Vehicle Inspections, the code officers have not been put in that position of taking over that responsibility. Mr. Verner commented that if there are some major problems, such as no windshield, the vehicle is inoperable; but if the car has no bumper and it runs, there is not much that code enforcement can do. The group commented and discussed inoperable and operable vehicles on private property.

Corporal Trombley further stated that he had cited 123 vehicles or what he found to be inoperable vehicles parked on private property in Plantation Mobile Home Park/Drexel & Okeechobee. Mr. Verner commented that a set of code enforcement officers just started in that area. Corporal Trombley commented regarding there being different code enforcement officers since he started working in that area. Ms. Vorpapel informed Corporal Trombley that there are still some open cases of violations in that area. Mr. Verner further commented that if the vehicles are inoperable vehicles, Code Enforcement has the ability to tag the vehicle and tow the vehicle if they can get to the vehicle. Code Enforcement does have some right of way entry problems that may exist.

Also, Corporal Trombley commented that he requested records of over 100 vehicles that were tagged from Code Enforcement Division. He further commented that those vehicles are still on the property. Mr. Verner asked Corporal Trombley to contact him, if he continues to have problems.

Corporal Trombley also along with Mr. Dumas wanted to know the difference in operable and inoperable. Ms. Vorpapel quoted the property maintenance code for an operable vehicle: “A vehicle that is started and moved under its own power”. This does not mean if the vehicle needs a battery or has a flat tire. Whether it is road worthy (windshield or bumper missing) legally or not, it is not for code enforcement to determine.

Also Corporal Trombley inquired about the right of entry policy. Mr. Verner responded that the code officer is to be where he or she has a right to be on the property or with permission. The violation has to be visible.

Brendon Horne inquired about the right to tow vehicles. Mr. Verner responded that if the vehicle is inoperable and is tagged, the ordinance for private property and right of way property is: On right of way property the Sheriff's Office can tag a vehicle and have it towed within 24 hrs. On private property, the policy is ten (10) days notice to adhere to the violation. After the ten (10) days, Code Enforcement has the right to be escorted by the Deputy to remove the personal property. If the vehicle has been moved to the backyard or is not accessible; then there are other steps to be taken.

Mr. Dumas inquired if whether these details could be included with the statutes on the website. Mr. Verner stated he could possibly put it on the intranet to clarify the statutes/codes.

Ken Jackson, Code Enforcement, also commented regarding a tagged vehicle behind locked gates. He stated that the Code Officer is not allowed to cut the locks to inspect the vehicle. The vehicle has to be proven inoperable before it can be towed. Mr. Verner stated that just because the circumstances may look like the vehicle is inoperable, Code Enforcement has to prove that there is a violation.

Kathy King commented that Maria Bruno, on Maine Street, had contacted her about a concern with rat infestation, which she believes is coming from the nursery and an abandoned house. Ms. King inquired if whether this was a Code Enforcement or Health Department violation. Mr. Verner commented that Code Enforcement and The Health Department works together in these types of situations. Bobbi Boynton, Code Enforcement Officer, commented that the abandoned house is currently under violation. Ms. King also inquired if this property could be submitted under the Great American Cleanup. Mr. Gainer commented this is private property.

Mr. Gainer asked the group, for a show of hands, if whether inoperable cars were a problem in their neighborhood. At least fifty percent (50%) of the attendees raised their hands. He stated that as Mr. Verner commented, only the County Commissioner has the ability to change ordinances. Mr. Verner suggested that prior to contacting the Commissioners, you could contact Gail Vorpagel and she will get the Code Enforcement Team to target those communities. You may contact Gail Vorpagel at (561) 233-5500.

Shirley Carsillo, Sun Court Representative, thanked Code Enforcement for doing a great job. She stated that most of her street is looking better than it has in twenty (20) years. Ms. Carsillo further commented about coming together to get some of the laws changed. The group began to comment and make suggestions regarding violations and ordinances.

A Corporal from the Sheriff's Office commented regarding County Ordinance Article 3, Section 1995 (Removal of wrecked inoperable discarded vehicles), Subsection A. He stated that because this is a County ordinance, we routinely arrest people for violation of ordinances. He suggested doing a test case to issue a Notice of Appearance in front of the judge within three (3) weeks.

Bilal Mujahid commented regarding Water Utilities taking action regarding non-payment of water assessment fees. Water Utilities came up with and were able to connect the assessment fee to the yearly property taxes due. Mr. Mujahid mentioned made this suggestion at the last CCRT meeting. Ms. Vorpapel and Mr. Verner thought this was a good idea. Ms. Vorpapel stated that she looked into this, but it can't be done with Code Enforcement violations. She further reasoned that fines do not constitute a tangible improvement. Without evidence of an infrastructural service, assessments can't be legally implemented.

V. DEPARTMENT UPDATES:

Bilal Mujahid, Water Utilities, reported on the following:

- Ranch House Road – Though the limits of the project is larger than anticipated, Water Utilities will continue with original project boundary and request more CCRT funding in next project cycle.
- Donnell Road – Initial Informational Meeting set for April 10, 2006.
- Wallis & Myrtle – Preliminary design to be completed in one month.
- Foss Road – Vast majority of property owners have connected into newly installed water main.
- Southern Boulevard Pines – Water has been available for months, not yet many people connecting into the system. Will work with Homeowner's Group to get the word out.

Tim Granowitz, Parks & Recreation, reported on the following:

- Old Trail Park – working on plans. Need to have a meeting with neighborhood group on the playground equipment, and selection of colors.
- Caroline Drive Park – working on plans. Need to have a meeting with neighborhood group on the playground equipment, and selection of colors.
- Last hurricane season – As a result of the hurricane, they are still catching up. There is a little backlog in getting some of the construction work done.

Mr. Lowery inquired about the status of the pool project in the Glades. Mr. Granowitz responded that the project is under construction. Mr. Lowery asked if Parks & Recreation needed any more money from OCR. Mr. Granowitz responded not at this time, but to his understanding there is a second phase; which is the splash park. The splash park was unable to be included in the first phase; estimated at \$4 million dollars.

Mr. Lowery asked if the pool park would open prior to completion of the splash park. Mr. Granowitz commented yes, it should open in August 2006.

Mr. Lowery inquired about the status of the sidewalk extending from South Bay, S.R. 80 to S.R. 715. He asked if this was a part of the first phase of the pool park. Mr. Granowitz responded this was a separate project. FDOT said it would fund the project, but does not want to take ownership of the sidewalk. FDOT nor Engineering want to be responsible for the maintenance of the project. Mr. Lowery commented that without having the sidewalk for the kids to get to the pool/park, it would be extremely dangerous.

V. DEPARTMENT UPDATES: (Cont'd)

Also, Mr. Lowery inquired if whether there was a thought about the County taking over the recreation department in South Bay. Mr. Granowitz commented that there is a concern that the cities' in the Glades are having difficulty financially. But no there is nothing official nor a request.

Brendon Horne, from Southern Boulevard & Royal Palm Beach inquired if whether the project on Caroline Drive is still expected to be completed in June. Mr. Granowitz responded that the project is probably going to be delayed. Mr. Granowitz commented that he would report back at the next meeting. He further commented that selection of colors for playground equipment need to be done. Next month a community meeting could be scheduled.

David Rafaidus, Community Services, reported on the following:

- Applications for non-profit organizations for 5013c – will be available from March 27th – March 31st to provide services to residents of Palm Beach County. The categories of service are: prevention/intervention treatment emergency services for substance or mental health services; independent living & support services for families with special needs or disabilities; domestic abuse; emergency & shelter services for women, children and families; and health human service programs. The program has been allocated \$12 million dollars. If there are any questions regarding the applications or if you would like to refer someone (confidentially), you may contact Mr. Rafaidus at (561) 355-4705.

Mr. Lowery inquired if the programs were for all of Palm Beach County or the unincorporated Palm Beach County. Mr. Rafaidus responded all of Palm Beach County.

Michael Marquis, Engineering, reported on the following:

- Cinquez Park – Design was approved by the Board on February 28, 2006.
- Kidd, McConnel, Clinton & Cambridge Project – received 65% plans from Engineers. They should receive the 95% plans soon to move forward with the bid process.

Kathy King requested more space between the barricades at the dead end on Maine Street. A baby stroller nor a bicycle can fit through the small space. They have to lift the items over the barricades. Mr. Marquis commented that he would take a look at it.

Ilene Young, Old Trail, on behalf of the residents inquired about completion of the water & drainage project north of Alberta Avenue on Old Trail. The project has stopped and no work is being done. Mr. Lowery commented that OCR would look into this issue this week. He asked Ms. Long to give her contact information to Chrystal Mathews.

V. DEPARTMENT UPDATES: (Cont'd)

Also Ms. Long inquired if whether the ditches were going to be filled-in with the drainage underground like the rest of the neighborhood. Mr. Marquis asked for the location. Ms. Long responded Old Military Trail (1/2 mile north of Okeechobee Road) between Community Drive and Okeechobee Road. She also mentioned a concern on Schall Circle.

The Deputy, CPO in Watergate Estates inquired about striping of Sandalfoot Boulevard. Mr. Marquis responded that likely this would be done next year.

Brendon Horne inquired about paving the roads on the eastside of the Canal in Royal Palm Estates (Neva, Marie, Ruth & Caroline). Mr. Marquis responded that once the design is complete it would go out for bids. Mr. Horne asked about the old design that was already in place. Mr. Marquis responded that the previous design was not complete. Mr. Marquis further explained why the design was delayed. Mr. Lowery commented that hopefully within another month there should be some additional information.

Also Mr. Horne commented about a problem with the left turn signal on a streetlight at Haverhill Road that has not worked in quite sometime. The traffic signal needs to be repaired before someone gets hurt. Mr. Lowery asked Mr. Horne to meet with Ms. Mathews to give her the details after the meeting.

Also Mr. Horne commented on behalf of the Neighborhood Crime Watch Committee. He is requesting a letter from the Zoning Division referencing the issue about the area being rezoned commercial. Mr. Lowery stated that OCR would get him in contact with the appropriate department.

Courtney Shippey, P.B.C. Health Department, reported on the following:

- PACE/EH (Protocol or Assessing Community Excellence in Environmental Health) – This is a new project. The Health Department came across the project in the Watergate Estates area in West Boca. The project was discussed last year with Mr. Lowery and staff, which OCR assisted the Health Department in choosing a community for the final project. The Sheriff's Office Community Policing Deputy and the community residents have also been involved. The first community meeting was held on March 6, 2006. This project is about community development approach to public health. Mr. Shippey mentioned that hopefully a full-time position to handle this project would be coming up in the near future.

Pam Nolan, Economic Development Office, reported on the following:

- Regional Economic Entity Meeting – will be held on tomorrow, March 15th, 10:00a.m., Workforce Alliance Office in the City of Belle Glade. The focus of this meeting will be to discuss the future of the Glades.
- Lake Okeechobee Scenic Trail – The agreement will be going before the Board for approval of the \$1 million dollars awarded to do entryways into the Cities, multi-use pathways to the trail, and to complete some existing trailheads.

V. DEPARTMENT UPDATES: (Cont'd)

Prior to Ms. Nolan attending the meeting, someone inquired about the sidewalk to the Pool Park. Ms. Nolan commented that hopefully in the Regional Economic Entity Meeting they would be able to focus on implementing projects like this (sidewalks).

Pam Nolan, Economic Development Office, reported on the following: (Cont'd)

- RFP for the Public Market Request for proposals – only received one (1) proposal but it is a very good proposal.
- Final Report of the Economic Summit – Going to BCC workshop very soon.
- Canal Point Sewer – looking at two (2) properties for the pump stations: 1) corner of old school property; 2) and Jimmy Jones Trailer Park. The bidding process should start soon.

VI. RESIDENT & OCR STAFF UPDATES:

Edward Lowery, OCR, reported on the following:

- Budget for FY '06-'07 – He is looking forward to funding some exciting, and different projects.
- Review of old projects with left over funds – OCR is accepting requests for these funds.
- Reassessment of CCRT areas – Chrystal Mathews, OCR staff, is handling this project. It is very important that you respond to the information requested by Ms. Mathews. He would like to spread the funds as equitably as possible.

Chrystal Mathews, OCR Staff, reported on the following:

- Reassessment of CCRT areas – She is waiting on responses to the reassessment forms due by today, March 14, 2006. An email was sent regarding a reassessment meeting with CCRT members to be held on March 29, 2006, 9:00a.m., at PZ&B.
- 2006 NPG Program – The deadline for submittal of applications is June 16, 2006. On October 17, 2006, the program will be presented to the Board for funding approval. Ms. Mathews announced that Neighborhood Partnership Grant Workshops are to be held: on March 14, 2006, 6:00p.m. – 8:00p.m., in Delray Beach, South County Administrative Complex (off Atlantic Blvd.); on March 16, 2006, 6:00p.m. – 8:00p.m., at Belle Glade City Hall; on March 28, 2006, 6:00p.m. – 8:00p.m., at Jupiter Community Center; and March 30, 2006, 6:00p.m. – 8:00p.m., at PZ&B. She brought applications for the group. If you have any questions regarding the application, you may contact her at (561) 233-5565.

VI. RESIDENT & OCR STAFF UPDATES: (Cont'd)

Bret Baronak, OCR Staff, reported on the following:

- Wallis Road/Royal Palm Estates Community Visioning Plan – A meeting was held on March 13, 2006 with the Steering Committee. He announced that they were in agreement to adopt the plan for the community. Mr. Baronak commented that the residents were pleased with the information and also it will give them a direction to help carry out future projects and in revitalizing the community. He thanked the neighborhood for working together.

Kathy King, Lake Worth West, reported on the following:

- Health Fair – Will be held on March 25, 2006. There will be over 25 agencies and providers. Also at the event, there will be such activities such as: bounce house, D.J., food, games, and yoga presentations.
- Credit Counseling (free) – This service will be held on April 5th, 7:00p.m. There will be no charge for this service.
- M.L.K. Gang – This activity has been progressing in the neighborhood. A meeting will be held at the community center on tomorrow, March 15, 2006, at 7:00p.m.
- She commended LaToya Ricketts, OCR Staff, for doing an excellent job on Gazette (newsletter). Ms. King works diligently with the kids in the neighborhood. On page 9, an article of the kids participating in the REAP session is shown. The student in the photograph, Wilkerson Paul, was nominated for the turn-around kids award. Also the kids assisted ERM in the cleanup of the Hypoluxo Strawberry on Arch Court.

LaToya Ricketts, OCR Staff, reported on the following:

- OCR Website – she announced that the website should be up and running by the end of the month.

Mr. Gainer commented that if you have a proposal for the left over funds that Mr. Lowery mentioned, you should address your request to Mr. Lowery. The funds are already available.

David Rafaidus announced that March 17th is the deadline to enroll in the Community Service Summer Camp Program. If you need further information or an application, you may search the website ([PBC.gov/Community Service/Summer Camp Program](http://PBC.gov/Community%20Service/Summer%20Camp%20Program)) or contact David Rafaidus at 355-4726.

Mr. Lowery commended LaToya Ricketts for doing a great job on the OCR Gazette (newsletter). He also announced that Ms. Ricketts has been assigned the responsibility of taking over OCR's Street Lighting Program.

Mr. Lowery commented regarding the Neighborhood Home Beautification Program. Mr. Wynn is the coordinator of this program. In the Juno Ridge area, approximately seventeen (17) homes were completed. The next area of focus will be the Glades area. There was a delay in the completion of the homes because of additional hurricane damage. Mr. Lowery mentioned that OCR would be seeking the Boards approval to increase the \$3,000 cap for this program. He will also be seeking the CCRT approval on that process.

VII. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS:

Brendon Horne complained about the garbage not being picked up in the Royal Palm Estates neighborhood. Mr. Lowery commented that OCR would follow up on this issue.

The Deputy, CPO in Watergate Mobile Homes, commented regarding people rearranging the living space (walls) of the mobile homes and multiple people living there. He stated that people are living in the kitchen area. He inquired about who should be contacted concerning the allowed capacity, and modification of interior of mobile homes. Ms. Vorpapel stated that the County does not have any jurisdiction of the interior of the mobile homes. She further commented that Lance McCullen, Code Enforcement Officer, works closely with FDOT. Mr. Gainer commented that OCR would follow up with this issue.

Trish Harmon, Royal Palm Estates (Caroline Drive), commented regarding an incident of her garbage cans being run over by garbage trucks when picking up the garbage.

Mr. Gainer thanked Dan Dumas, San Castle, for providing the refreshments for the meeting.

VIII.ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

- The next CCRT meeting will be held on April 5, 2006 (Wednesday), 10:00a.m. – 11:30a.m., at the Clayton Hutcheson Building.
- Kathy King, Lake Worth West, volunteered to provide refreshments for the next meeting.

Minutes prepared by

Joyce Harrell, OCR Secretary

***Note: Please come prepared to announce activities for April or May you may contact Joyce Harrell at 233-5311 to place this information on Activity Calendar. Thank You.**

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