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DeBary Public Safety Advisory Committee

Wednesday, November 9, 2005

9:00 AM

Florence K. Little Town Hall

12 Colomba Road

MINUTES

I. Call to Order

Chairman Harvey called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

II. Roll Call

Members Present: John Harvey, Mary Hall, Marion Lane, Josephine Opisso, and Gene Leighton (late)

Others Present: Assistant City Manager Anthony Gonzalez, Volunteer Coordinator Alan Williamson, Mayor-Elect George Coleman, Lieutenant David Brannon and Captain Alan Osowski

III. Approval of Minutes

1. Regular Meeting held October 12, 2005

Ms. Opisso made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Lane seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. Old Business

1. Code Enforcement Issues.

Mr. Gonzalez informed the Committee that Ms. Courson had planned on addressing the Committee's questions at the meeting but had a scheduling conflict and was unable to attend. He said that City staff would look at the cost to hire a code enforcement officer with an assistant. He said that Ms. Courson estimated the City pays between \$100,000 to \$107,000 per year to the county for code enforcement services.

2. Signage Regulations.

Chairman Harvey informed the Committee that the County has begun putting up new street signs. Mr. Gonzalez said that he had the complete list of all signs to be replaced if anyone wanted to see it. Ms. Lane asked if the signs are ever cleaned. Mr. Gonzalez answered that the City does not have anyone to clean the signs, but he will take a look at the costs for that in the future.

Mr. Gonzalez told the Committee that he was working on the list of dangerous intersections due to reduced visibility that had been provided to him at the last meeting.

V. New Business

1. Yellow Flasher Bars on City Vehicles

Chairman Harvey said that the flasher bars cost anywhere from \$300 to \$800 per bar. He said he believed that the two City trucks should have them installed for increased safety. Mr. Gonzalez mentioned that the City would be purchasing a third truck in the near future. Captain Osowski said that it would have been beneficial to have the flasher bars on the City trucks during the Haunted Hike. Ms. Opisso made a motion to recommend to Council that they purchase flasher bars and synchronized flashers for the front and rear on all City vehicles. Ms. Hall seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. Public Participation

George Coleman, 286 Deleon Road, said that he thought there are dates on the backs of the street signs showing when they were erected. He suggested that the City might rent a sprayer to clean the signs. Mr. Gonzalez said he could find out the proposed life of the signs from the County and check to see if they have a cleaning schedule for their signs.

Ms. Opisso asked if they could go over the traffic statistics relative to exit 108. Captain Osowski explained the number of accidents to the Committee. Chairman Harvey said he would be attending the next meeting of the West Volusia Traffic Safety Committee to solicit their help in securing a traffic light at that location.

Ms. Hall stated that the traffic on DeBary Drive has turned into a racetrack. Captain Osowski said that the Sheriff's Department has installed a traffic-monitoring device in the area of 113 DeBary Drive.

Ms. Opisso asked how the residents of Summerhaven could get a light installed because it has become difficult to turn left onto Enterprise Road. Captain Osowski said there should be enough breaks in traffic with the lights at Commed Drive and Highbanks Road, and he felt it was premature to install a light at this stage. Ms. Opisso said she was concerned because people are going much faster than the posted speed limit of 35 mph.

VII. Adjournment

Ms. Lane moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Hall seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

**APPROVED December 14, 2005
CITY OF DeBARY
Public Safety Advisory Committee**

John Harvey, Chairman

