

City of DeBary
DeBary Public Safety Advisory Committee
Tuesday, December 18, 2007
6:30 PM
Florence K. Little Town Hall
12 Colomba Road
MINUTES

I. Call to Order

Chair Bob Garcia called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Members Present: Chair Bob Garcia, Gene Leighton, Marlee Grein, Josephine Opisso and Alternate David Asson

Members Absent: Vice Chair Marion Lane (excused)

Others Present: Safety Coordinator Alan Williamson, Captain Alan Osowski, Mayor Coleman, Council Member Elect Leonard Marks, and Council Member Elect Norman Erickson

III. Approval of Minutes

- Regular Meeting held November 20, 2007

Ms. Opisso noted a spelling correction on page two. Mr. Leighton moved to approve the minutes, and Ms. Grein seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Old Business

- Update on West Volusia Community Traffic Safety Team

Mr. Williamson informed the Committee that the Team mainly discussed the recent incident in Deland where two boys were hit. He added that he did put in a few requests for DeBary including the distance between crosswalks and the speed limit on 17-92, which should be addressed at the next Team meeting.

Ms. Opisso said she did speak with Traffic Engineer Richard Prine the previous day, and he told her that the developer is in favor of the light on Enterprise Road. She added that she would speak with Mr. Kerr at Orange City regarding the issue.

- Fire Hydrants- Alan Ferguson, Volusia County

Chair Garcia explained the issues he has been working on regarding water lines and hydrants with Mr. Ferguson. He stated that it would cost \$145,000 just to have the report done.

Mr. Williamson noted that there were copies of the EAR report for each member as they previously requested.

Chair Garcia said he would be working on water issues in the next year and noted that DeBary uses more water than any other city in the County. There was discussion among the members regarding water usage. Ms. Opisso asked if the local car washes recycle their water. Chair Garcia responded that he did visit the local car wash, and the water is reused.

Chair Garcia thanked the volunteer fire department for the land to be used for the new city hall and thanked Mayor Coleman for the groundbreaking ceremony. He asked Mr. Williamson to send a thank-you letter to the fire department.

Ms. Opisso asked for the status of the evacuation plan discussed at the last meeting. Mr. Williamson said that because the exit signs are clearly visible, a plan is not needed for Town Hall, but would be required in the new city hall. There was discussion regarding the exit signs to the kitchen. Ms. Opisso suggested that at the beginning of each meeting, the Mayor or Chair announce where the exits are. Council Member Elect Marks said it could be displayed on the overhead screen during the meetings.

Ms. Opisso made a motion to recommend to Council that prior to meetings at Town Hall an announcement is made to alert people of the exits in case of an emergency, or is displayed on the screen. Mr. Leighton seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Grein recommended that all of the exterior doors are unlocked while the building is occupied.

John Likakis, 38 Seminole Drive, suggested color-coding the exit doors to match the pews where people are sitting.

V. New Business

- January CERT class

Mr. Williamson stated that the first class of the year would be held January 7th at 6:00 p.m. He explained that each CERT team is on their own because Volusia County Fire Services is no longer funding CERT. He added that DeBary has CERT grant funding, so the change is not affecting DeBary.

The Committee discussed volunteer participation.

Chair Garcia informed everyone that a streetlight would be installed at the bus stop on Agua Vista as previously discussed by the Committee. He added that the requested streetlight on Shell Road was investigated, but would not be installed unless the neighbors agree on a streetlighting district.

For the Committee's information, Mr. Williamson stated that the City has advertised an RFP for disaster management recovery sources. He explained the services requested and the monitoring that would be included. Chair Garcia requested that the selected company attend one of the PSAC meetings as soon as Council approves them.

Chair Garcia said he liked the report submitted by Captain Osowski and asked him if there were any reports of gang activity in DeBary. Captain Osowski answered no.

VI. Public Participation

John Likakis, 38 Seminole Drive, spoke about the importance of water conservation and using different types of grasses that do not require much water. He stated that residents having a well would be unwilling to hook up to county water due to the \$2,500 cost.

Ms. Grein suggested that the COPs could be writing down addresses of people violating the water restrictions. Chair Garcia asked Mr. Williamson to find out who is responsible for enforcing the water restrictions. Mr. Leighton said that he believes it is the County's responsibility.

Mayor Coleman informed Ms. Opisso that an email regarding the light on Enterprise Road was sent from Mr. Kerr at Orange City to Jon Cheney of Volusia County Traffic Engineering the day after the last PSAC meeting. He informed everyone that there was another water line break in Meadowlea the previous week. He also discussed WAV with the Committee.

VII. Adjournment

Mr. Leighton moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Opisso seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

**APPROVED January 15, 2008
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Bob Garcia, Chair