

City of DeBary
DeBary Public Safety Advisory Committee
Tuesday, April 15, 2008
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, Vice-Chair Josephine Opisso Marlee Grein and David Asson

Others Present: Safety Coordinator Alan Williamson and Captain Alan Osowski

III. Approval of Minutes

- Regular Meeting held March 18, 2008

Mr. Asson moved to approve the minutes, and Mr. Leighton seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Old Business

- Update on West Volusia Community Traffic Safety Team

Mr. Williamson informed the members about the upcoming Safety Awareness Day and the Bike Rodeo / Helmet Fitting events in New Smyrna Beach. He said the Team also discussed the Click It or Ticket campaign to run from May 19th to the beginning of June.

Chair Garcia asked if they discussed anything pertaining to DeBary. Mr. Williamson answered that they did not.

Ms. Opisso asked for an update on the light at Enterprise and Summerhaven. Chair Garcia said he called Mr. Kerr, but he had not received a return call. Ms. Opisso said she spoke with Gary Lester at Volusia County and he was under the impression that the City has an ordinance that only allows mast arm signals. She asked if anyone was aware of such an ordinance.

Ms. Opisso thanked Captain Osowski for completing the speed sign survey in Summerhaven that was discussed at the March meeting.

- Address Stenciling Project

Chair Garcia asked Fire Department Lieutenant Castelle to address the project. Lt. Castelle said it would be very helpful to have the address painted on the driveway in a uniform manner

throughout the City. He added that a light reflective paint, such as orange or yellow, would help them immensely.

Mr. Williamson stated that he did a four-inch test on his own driveway, but the numbers did not show up that well. He suggested that a black epoxy seal be placed underneath the yellow paint so that the numbers are more visible. He said that the price is \$84 for five gallons. Mr. Leighton asked if he knew how much the reflective dust would cost. Mr. Williamson said he would find out and report back to the Committee.

Mr. Leighton made a motion to approve staff recommendation number three on page four of the report submitted to the Committee by Mr. Williamson. Mr. Asson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Leighton made a motion to paint the numbers on the edge of the road in the center of the driveway, so that they would not need the residents' permission. Ms. Grein seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

- Revision of Committee By-Laws

Ms. Opisso suggested that an asterisk be placed immediately following the second sentence in Article II, Section C. She added that the explanation for the asterisk should follow underneath the paragraph stating that when a paid city employee is not available the Secretary would assume the duties. The Committee unanimously agreed.

- Overnight Street Parking

Chair Garcia asked the members to review his letter to the City Council regarding overnight street parking. Ms. Opisso questioned how Committee recommendations are presented to Council because the Council as a whole has never discussed the issue regarding the light at Summerhaven and Enterprise. Chair Garcia stated that the Council receives a copy of the Committee minutes once they are approved.

Chair Garcia said that in the future, he would present all Committee recommendations to the Council at their regular meetings.

Chair Garcia asked for a motion on the letter to Council. Mr. Leighton moved to forward it to the Council, and Mr. Asson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Garcia noted that Progress Energy has not yet replaced the lights at Lake Drive and Hibiscus. He notified Mr. Williamson of two other lights in front of the funeral home and the corner of Highbanks at Winn Dixie that need to be replaced.

V. New Business

Chair Garcia stated that an email was sent by the City Manager asking for the Committee's input on a citizen's suggestion to list committee/board members information on the City website.

The members discussed the suggestion and agreed that a single point of contact would be appropriate. Mr. Leighton made a motion to list the chair only on the website. Mr. Asson seconded.

Elaine Swanson, 123 Pine Valley Court, explained that she sent another email after the initial one suggesting that the city clerk could be listed as a single point of contact.

Mr. Asson made a motion that the City Clerk be listed as the single point of contact for the residents. Ms. Grein seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. Public Participation

Joyce Simpkins, 282 E. Constance Road, voiced concern regarding unsafe historic oak trees in front of her house. She showed the Committee members pictures of the trees and said that Progress Energy had looked at the trees and determined that they are unhealthy. Mr. Williamson stated that if the trees have been deemed historic, the Council would need to approve the removal. He asked her to give him copies of everything she had, and said he would forward it to the Assistant City Manager.

Ms. Opisso made a motion to recommend to Council that they investigate the trees to make a determination of their safety. Ms. Grein seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. Adjournment

Mr. Leighton moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Asson seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

**APPROVED May 20, 2008
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Bob Garcia, Chair