

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Maryann Courson, City Manager
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1. Local Mitigation Strategy

On October 9th, Assistant City Manager Gonzalez and Safety Coordinator Williamson attended the Local Mitigation Strategy meeting held at the City of Holly Hill. The agenda included three new initiatives for review and adoption and also discussion of required updates of the local mitigation strategy. There were also discussions about Volusia Prepares' representatives attending a city manager monthly meeting to extend their support of the LMS mission. Discussions were held on the structure of the committee, by-laws, and operational procedures.

2. Activities in DeBary

**Saturday, October 11th
8 AM to 2 PM**

**Trash & Treasure Sale – DeBary Art League
Corner of 150 Hwy 17/92 and Astriano Road**

3. Safety Coordinator

The HAM radio operators meeting discussed alternative fuels. The discussion included chemically-stored electricity (batteries and fuel cells), hydrogen, non-fossil methane, non-fossil natural gas, vegetable oil and other biomass sources.

Safety Coordinator Alan Williamson met with the staff from the Community United Methodist Church as well as with Project HOPE and VIND to offer counseling services to disaster workers, volunteers, and victims.

Alan met with a State Emergency Response Team representative to ensure disaster housing needs are being met.

Alan attended a meeting regarding 800 MHz radio re-banding, (a federally mandated exchange of 800 MHz radio frequencies with Nextel). The meeting discussed the plan to accomplish re-banding for the 800 MHz Public Safety radio system in Volusia County. Also provided were details on necessary radio exchanges.

4. Parks and Recreation Department

Entry forms are now available to enter the Christmas Parade at City Hall and the Parks and Recreation office. The parade will be held on December 14, 2008 at 3 pm. This year, the theme is "Christmas in Toyland". There is no fee to enter the Parade.

Recreation Coordinator Michelle Leach and Parks and Recreation Director John Fletcher met with Amber Patterson and staff from the DeBary Hall on Tuesday, October 7, 2008 to discuss preparations for the 2008 Festival of Lights. This event will take place on December 13, 2008 at DeBary Hall Historic Site from 6-9 pm. Over 200 sponsorship letters will be sent to local businesses to help finance this large community event.

Registration for the Soccer Clinic began on Monday, October 6, 2008 and will end October 17, 2008. This program is geared toward 4-6 year olds with its primary focus being development of soccer skills. Cost is \$20 per child. Birth certificates are required to verify age at registration. Please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at (386) 456-5150 for further information.

The Annual Ice Cream Social will be held on November 10, 2008 from 12-3pm at the DeBary Civic Center. Adults 50 years old and over are welcome to join us for an afternoon of free games, fun and food. This event will be sponsored by Florida Hospital *Fish Memorial*. Representatives will be present to make a 30-minute presentation in the beginning of the event. Gift certificates from surrounding businesses such as Publix, Pancheros, and Wal-Mart will be offered as door prizes throughout the day.

The 50+ Crowd meets every Monday from 12-3 pm at the DeBary Civic Center. No registration is needed. Just show up at the Civic Center next Monday for an afternoon of free snacks and fun games. For further information, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at (386) 456-5150.

Recreation Coordinator Michelle Leach attended a SAC meeting at the DeBary Elementary School on Thursday, October 9, 2008.

Recreation Coordinator Michelle Leach has been nominated to serve as Chair at the Volusia County Athletics meetings. These meetings will be held quarterly throughout Volusia County. Issues facing athletic directors and coordinators in the parks and recreation field will be discussed.

5. Drainage Improvement Projects

Design Projects:

Valencia/Plumosa Drainage Project: St. Johns River Water Management District issued the permit for this project on October 9, 2008. Final plans will be prepared for advertisement.

There has been no change in the status of the remainder of the projects.

Monroe/Catalina/Pond OS and Matanzas Road Drainage Improvements: These projects are at St. Johns River Water Management District for permitting and are currently under review. We have not received any comments of them as of this date.

The water management has 30 days from submittal date to request additional information or issue a permit.

Pine Valley Court: The SJRWMD Request for Additional Information is on hold until we determine how we want to proceed with this project.

City of DeBary, Florida

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Oct 11 Saturday 8 AM to 2 PM	Trash and Treasure Sale – DeBary Art League Fundraiser Corner of 150 Hwy. 17/92 and Astriano Road
Oct 14 Tuesday 9 AM	Development Review Committee Meeting Florence K. Little Town Hall
Oct 15 Wednesday 8:30 AM	WAV Board of Directors Meeting 2570 W. International Speedway Blvd. Suite 120 DAB
Oct 15 Wednesday 7 – 11 PM	City Council Meeting Florence K. Little Town Hall
Oct 20 Monday thru Saturday, Nov 1	Early Voting Dates for General Election Deltona Municipal Complex, 2345 Providence Blvd. Supervisor of Elections Office, 125 West New York Ave., DeLand Take Photo & Signature ID
Oct 21 Tuesday 6:30 – 8 PM	Public Safety Advisory Committee Meeting Florence K. Little Town Hall
Oct 22 Wednesday 7 – 9 PM	Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting Florence K. Little Town Hall
Oct 23 Thursday 7 – 9 PM	Orlandia Heights Meeting Florence K. Little Town Hall
Oct 25 Saturday 6 to 10 PM	10th Annual Haunted Hike Gateway Park
Oct 28 Tuesday 9 AM	Development Review Committee Meeting Florence K. Little Town Hall
Nov 1 Saturday 8 AM	2nd Annual River City 10 K Run and 5K Walk Rotary Club of DeBary-Deltona Begins at Memorial Park
Nov 4 Tuesday 7 AM to 7 PM	GENERAL ELECTION
Nov 5 Wednesday 7 – 10 PM	City Council Meeting Florence K. Little Town Hall
Nov 10 Monday 10 to 11 AM	Historic Preservation Advisory Board Florence K. Little Town Hall