



CITY OF OAK HILL
234 South U.S. Highway 1
Oak Hill, Florida 32759

WATERFRONT COMMITTEE
February 12, 2013 6:00 PM

MINUTES

A. Roll Call, including welcome to new member

Present: Donia Dewees, Cynthia Livingston, James "Buck" Carr and Jane Andrews

Absent: Joseph Ludwig

(Jane Andrews was appointed to Seat 4, with a term ending June 2015, at the 1/28/2013 City Commission Meeting)

B. Approval of the 11/13/2012 Minutes Approval of the 12/11/2012 Minutes

Vice Chair Cynthia Livingston moved, and Member Buck Carr seconded, to accept the November and December minutes. The motion passed, 4-0.

C. New Business

1. The release (more than once a week) by the County of fire hydrant water into the river

Chair Dewees stated the County is flushing the fire hydrants into the bayou on a regular basis and she feels this will cause harm; she has contacted numerous people and has not made any progress.

The City Clerk stated she will try to get contact information of someone who can help with this issue.

2. Need for a filament station at the City Dock

Vice Chair Livingston stated Oak Hill needs to have receptacles to dispose of fishing line at the fishing pier and Sunrise Park.

The City Clerk agreed that the receptacles would be a great asset to the City and would look into getting three of them.

Member Andrews made a motion, with a second by Vice Chair Livingston, to ask the City Clerk to obtain 3 monofilament disposal containers. The motion passed 4-0.

3. Grants to pursue

Member Carr stated he is actively pursuing the Living Shoreline grant and he will present it to the Commission when he has gathered all the needed information.

4. Interest in attending the Spring Waterfronts Florida Meeting in April or May

Vice Chair Livingston and Member Andrews both expressed interest in attending the Spring Waterfronts Committee; the Committee also agreed they should request funds from the City Commission to reimburse travel costs.

5. Board Member Jane Andrews's report on the Indian River Lagoon Symposium in Fort Pierce

Member Andrews stated she attended the Indian River Lagoon Symposium. The symposium was attended by many leaders concerned with the preservation of the lagoon. She was able to gather a few contacts that could possibly help Oak Hill in the future. She also handed out the presentation booklet from the symposium.

6. Issues that were brought up at the Jan. 26 joint meeting of the Commission, the WF Board, the PLDRC, and Oak Hill residents and business owners:

a. Manatee protection in the canals at Indian Harbor Estates

Vice Chair Livingston stated she had attended the Manatee Festival and was able to obtain Caution Manatee signs for homeowners. She went on to explain that a homeowner that requests a sign must be given the proper forms to complete and then mailed to the Save the Manatee Club.

b. The size of docks and boats in the canals at Indian Harbor Estates

The City Clerk stated she will discuss this matter with the City's Building Inspector.

D. Old Business

1. Status of the Florida Water & Land Legacy Campaign / petition (C. Livingston)

Vice Chair Livingston stated she is still acquiring signatures for the petition to secure funds for the Florida Water & Legacy Campaign and she welcomes any assistance in this matter.

2. Requesting the City Commission's approval for mailing expense funds (C. Livingston) - **TABLED**

3. Requesting City Commission approval of the "Grants Task Force": A WF member needs to submit the proposed Grants Task Force to the City Clerk to be put on the agenda for a City Commission meeting and then be sure to attend that meeting and make the presentation.

The City Clerk assured the Committee there is no need to form a task force as they may pursue grants as the Waterfront Committee.

4. Grant writing training session mentioned by Comm. Robert Livingston

Commissioner Livingston stated there will be a Grant Writing class offered by a company he works with and he will keep the Committee posted on the time and place it will be held.

5. Status of the proposed Clam Hatchery partnership with Mike Sullivan (J. Carr) - **TABLED**

E. Comments & Concerns of Members

F. Public Participation

Commissioner Livingston stated that a bill has passed in reference to public land, which will require that for any public land purchased the same amount of land needs to be sold.

G. Adjournment – 7:30PM