CITY OF OAK HILL



234 South U.S. Highway 1 Oak Hill, Florida 32759

WATERFRONT COMMITTEE
August 12, 2014 6:00 PM

MINUTES

A. Opening

- The meeting was called to order by Chair Donia Dewees at 6:00.
 Present at Roll Call: Donia Dewees, Cynthia Livingston, Louis DeTitta.
 Absent: Joseph Ludwig, Paul Davis.
- 2. New member Louis DeTitta was welcomed to Seat 3 on the Waterfront Committee, to serve a three-year term, 2014-2017.
- 3. It was announced that Seat 4 remains vacant, and that two terms, Seat 1 Donia Dewees & Seat 5 Joseph Ludwig, are ending and renewing to 2017.

B. Approval of the 3/11/2014 Meeting Minutes

Vice Chair made a motion, seconded by Lou DeTitta, to approve the 3/11/2014 minutes. The motion carried, 3-0.

C. Business

- 1. Cynthia Livingston and Donia Dewees reported on the work they did at Oak Hill's Riverfest held at Mary Dewees Park on May 10th and the information distributed to the public at the Waterfront Committee's booth. One prominent display was to promote awareness of mangroves, to prevent further mangrove destruction in the Oak Hill area.
- 2. Vice Chair Cynthia confirmed that the Water and Land Legacy Campaign received the required number of signatures and would indeed be on the November Election Ballot as Amendment One.
- 3. Cynthia also reported on a meeting she attended in Titusville about Water Quality Testing in the Indian River Lagoon. She was told that there is a TMDL monitoring in Mosquito Lagoon, which surprised us because we thought our lagoon first needed to have official designation as impaired.
- 4. Chair Donia agreed to follow up with the letter from Beth Alvi of the State DEP offering assistance with developing a "Nutrient Management Plan" for Oak Hill.
- 5. UCF's Melinda Donnelly, who has procured for the City the Indian River Lagoon National Estuary Program (IRL-NEP) grant for shoreline protection at Sunrise Park, October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015, asked for help setting up workshops with Oak Hill's homeowner

associations as stipulated in the grant, and with Burns Sci-Tech Charter School personnel. The workshops will prepare for Community Restoration Day next May when the oyster bags, smooth cord-grasses, and mangroves will be put out by volunteers.

Ms. Donnelly stated she will be in contact with Burns Sci-Tech's middle school science teacher Barbara Hawes, who is interested in the project, hoping she and perhaps other teachers can attend the workshop at Cape Canaveral on September 7, as there is still space available in the boat.

Chair Donia expressed concern that Jimmie Vann, owner of the property leased to the City as Sunrise Park, may possibly be selling the property, and addressed what would then happen to the shoreline project. But the Administrative Assistant assured everyone that the lease would be honored to October 2015, and that besides, the City itself was working on buying the property. Ms. Donnelly stated that it needs to be resolved by January, as January is when the permitting stage falls in the timeline of the project.

D. Comments & Concerns of Members

Member Jo Ludwig has sent an Email to Board members stating his objections to Canaveral National Seashore's use of the chemical Garlon-4 against Brazilian Pepper plants on the spoil islands. Board members agreed to look into this practice and make contacts.

- E. Public Participation NONE
- F. Adjournment