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Until approved at the next CPAC MEETING

MEETING SUMMARY
NORTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Crystal Springs – 10151 Crystal Springs Road
January 8, 2004

Committee Members Present

Randy Mallory, Murray Hill Presiding
Faye Richardson, Cisco Gardens
Orzola & Gadson Burgess, Magnolia Gardens
Thomas Hudson, Magnolia Gardens
Joseph Anderson, Pickettville
Thomas May, Thomas Jefferson
Judy Taylor, District 12 Rep
Oliver Muldrow, Ribault Hills
Edward Hall, Ribault Hills
Tracey Mann, Royal Terrace
Bridget Clark, Crystal Springs East
Julie Butler, Crystal Springs East
Linda Carson, Lincoln Villas
Mildred Luster, Lincoln Villas
Larry Solomon, Carver Manor
James Clark, Whitehouse
Daphne Colbert, Aide District 10

City/Staff/Public/Media

Roslyn M. Phillips, Mayor's Liaison and Director of Neighborhoods
Elaine Lancaster, Property Safety
Cecelia Jefferson, Chief Consumer Affairs
Thelma Jackson, Consumer Affairs
Milton Locklear, FDOT
Kaye Schmitz, NE FL Prosperity Campaign
Laura Beckman, Legal Aid
Marilyn Fenton-Harmer, Neighborhood Services
Janice Simpson, Lincoln Villas
Lashaundra Simpson, Lincoln Villas
Jack Fountain, Crystal Springs East
Bilal & Lazette Saleem, Al-Bayyinah Da'Wah Center

Excused: Diane Kerr, George Leverett, Deborah Merritt, Bertha Richardson, Erma Cole, Johnny Lammons, Delores Proctor – DOH,
Delilah Jackson, Jack Shad-Planning and JSO

Call to Order

Marilyn Fenton-Harmer, Neighborhood Coordinator/Planner, asked members to vote on a member to chair the meeting since the Chair and Vice Chair could not attend due to a prior commitment and training for the Municipal Code Enforcement Board. *Member James Clark made A Motion for Randy Mallory, Murray Hill, to Chair the meeting with a second by Joseph Anderson. The Vote: All were in favor, none opposed.* The meeting was called to order at 6:08pm by Randy Mallory at the Crystal Springs Community Center, 10151 Crystal Springs Road Street and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Members commented on how nice a facility the Center was.

Invocation: Gadson Burgess

Approval of the Meeting Summary

When a quorum was established the meeting summary from the December 11, 2003 meeting was reviewed. *A Motion to approve was made by Joseph Anderson and a second from Gadson Burgess. The Vote: All were in favor, none opposed.*

Guest Speakers

At the last minute Janet Stanko had to cancel but will come back to a future meeting.

- Cecelia Jefferson, Division Chief of Consumer Affairs, agreed to give a presentation on the Consumer Affairs Division and the upcoming workshops "What you need to know about". The first one will be on Jan. 29th at FCCJ Kent Campus on predatory lending. They will focus future meetings on problems/scams that arise in the Division. The Division is under the Neighborhoods Department with Director Roslyn Phillips. You can reach Cecelia at 630-1212 ext 4090 or CeceliaJ@coj.net
- Prosperity Campaign – Kaye Schmitz announced that the Mayor and Nat Glover were promoting this. They want to be sure that citizens receive all of their tax return money especially the earned income tax credit. There are lots of scams and loans around receiving your tax money right away. These loans turn out to have high interest rates and the citizens do not receive all of the money they could have if they did not deal with these companies. There are certain criteria but if you call 866-318-0211 to see if you qualify you can have your taxes done for free. Kay can be reached at 821-9889
- Laura Beckman, Attorney with Legal Aid, will be doing workshops on the "The Dangers of Loans". They are all available to come to your meetings and give these presentations.

Mayor's Liaison - Roslyn Phillips talked about the Mayor's Quarterly Meeting with the CPAC Chairs and the Mayor's Priorities.

1. Economic Development
2. Military – Base closings – largest employer in Jacksonville – working with our representatives in Washington to keep our bases and jobs
3. Public Safety – Police & Fire are working with the administration
4. Quality of Life – help from you in the neighborhoods, housing and infrastructure
5. Early Childhood Literacy – working on programs with the schools
6. Streamlining Government – working as efficiently as possible and committed to not raising taxes.

The Mayor is very excited about what is going on with CPAC and at a past I CARE meeting told them to become involved with CPAC. If you have any questions Roslyn Phillips can be reached at 630-4963.

FDOT - Milton Locklear reported that the bridge on Old Kings Road/6 mile Creek and the Trout River will begin projects on April 5th. Questions on resurfacing Beaver Street were asked. The reply was the following: The Department has plans to resurface Beaver Street / US90, from Tyler to Main Street/US 17 in FY 2004. They also have plans to resurface Beaver Street, from McDuff Avenue/SR 129 to Stockton Street in FY 2004/05. He forwarded the request to have a pre-construction meeting on the Old Kings Road bridge replacements (over Trout River and Six Mile Creek) to the project manager. He agreed to this request- meeting date to follow. Milton can be reached at 360-5686 or E-Mail: Milton.Locklear@dot.state.fl.us

Property Safety – Elaine Lancaster worked on the issues from the November meeting and responded to those citizens. She had questions on unsafe structures and junk vehicles. She made sure that everyone understood that the Officers have to see the problem from the city-right-of-way. Elaine can be reached from 8am – 10am Monday – Friday at 630-1212 ext 4873

District 10 - Councilwoman Jones Assistant, Daphne Colbert, announced the following: They held their first District 10 Senior Party in December at Lincoln Villas and Lane Wiley Centers. Consumer Affairs and Health Screenings were available. There was also a very nice luncheon. They will hold their next District 10 Meeting at the end of March at City Hall in the Renaissance Room. They hope each Neighborhood Association will be represented. The following are upcoming meetings for District 10:

- 1-26-04 Sherwood Forest Drainage at Rutledge Pearson Elementary School
- 1-29-04 Owens Road Project – Raines High School 6pm
- 2-5-04 Drainage Project for Ricker Road/Old Middleburg Road
- Other meetings dates will be coming on Forest View Park and Bob Hayes Soccer Complex

You can reach Councilwoman Mia Jones at 630-1684

Neighborhood Services - Marilyn Fenton-Harmer (630-7024 Mfharmer@coj.net) made the following announcements:

- Northwest CPAC “February 12th Workshop on **Citizen Self Defense**” (wear comfortable clothes and sneakers) 6pm Crystal Springs Community Center 10151 Crystal Springs Road
- CPAC TRAINING for ALL Members–February 24, 2004 City Hall, 117 W Duval Street, Noon to 3pm–Renaissance Rm.
- **Mayor John Peyton's 1st Town Hall Meeting** will be in February in the Northwest Planning District – Location and time still to be determined **Please be sure to let your neighbors know when and where it is once it is posted!*
- New Ways Initiative (**CPAC Grants**) applications are available **Due March 8th** to Jax. Children's Commission 421 W Church St., Suite 222 Matt Thompson 630-6432 Mattt@coj.net
- Study Circles – small groups to improve race relations dialogue. Various dates and locations beginning Jan. 13th contact Bill David at 630-3430
- Waterways Commission Meeting – 1-13-04 10am Council Chambers at City Hall 117 W Duval St- Info 630-1404

CPAC Committee Reports

Transportation: Thomas May provided maps for members to see the proposed East/Southwest Corridor Bus Tour – Alternative 1/2

Member Announcements/Concerns

- James Clark, Whitehouse, talked about the Coleman Evans EPA Superfund Site. It was to have been completed with the cleanup in May 2003 and it has not been done to date. *A Motion to write a letter from CPAC to ask the proper Authorities when the Site will be completed (Diane Kerr will know who to ask) with the cleanup was made by James Clark with a second from Edward hall. The Vote: All in favor, none opposed.*
- Joseph Anderson and other members still had major concerns about our Community Centers not being available to the public. It was suggested that we devote a meeting/workshop inviting the Departments that could assist with this to a Strategic Planning Meeting and brainstorm to come up with a solution. February and March Agendas have been set. Will see if the April CPAC meeting can do this.
- Randy Mallory reported that the Murray Hill Town Center Grant Phase 1 is underway. He was also concerned that the Post Office was trying to get mandated mailboxes to the curb. This had come up previously and appears to be coming back.

A Motion to Adjourn

A Motion to adjourn was made by Joseph Anderson and a second by Oliver Muldrow. The Vote: All were in favor, none opposed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:58pm. Please don't forget about our February meeting with Officer Sam Rodriguez, JSO teaching a Citizen's Self Defense Class. It should be fun!

The next meeting will be on **February 12, 2004 6pm at Crystal Springs Community Center** -10151 Crystal Springs Road