



**ORMOND SCENIC LOOP & TRAIL
CORRIDOR ADVOCACY GROUP
P.O. Box 1807
Ormond Beach, FL 32175**

**Chair – Joe Jaynes
Vice Chair – Laura Bamberger
Secretary – Paula Wehr**

CALL TO ORDER – February 28, 2007

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman, Joe Jaynes in the Auditorium of the OB Library.

ATTENDEES

Laura Bamberger, Garry Balough (FDOT), Rob Bird, Evelyn Caputo, Joe & Karon Jaynes, Laureen Kornel (County Planner), Elizabeth Matej (OB City Planner,) Dorothy Pflieger, Rita & Marty Press, Marty Price, Paula Wehr, Ginger Young

MINUTES

Marty Press moved to approve the minutes from January 23 as written. Laura Bamberger seconded. All members present voted to approve.

UPDATES FROM COUNTY AND CITY

Laureen Kornel reported that the consultant is making final updates to the Corridor Management Plan (CMP.) Laureen requested copies be delivered to County Council no later than March 14. Review of the CMP is tentatively scheduled on the April 5 agenda. Following review and sign-off by County Council, the CMP will be returned to the Consultant for copying and distribution.

The CME Agreement and Resolution were approved by County Council in February. Signed copies were provided to the Consultant for inclusion in the final CMP.

The final CMP will be forwarded to SHAC for review at their June meeting.

Garry gave preliminary copies of the CMP to all departments within FDOT for staff review. Comments from the various departments indicated no glaring omissions and offered only very minor suggestions for change. Garry clarified that from the viewpoint of FDOT, we will be considered a CME, not a CAG, as soon as we receive the approval letter designating our roadway as a Florida Scenic Highway.

Elizabeth had no updates from the City of Ormond Beach.

Action: Joe Jaynes will send notification to CAG members prior to County Council review to encourage members to attend the Council meeting.

CAG ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

John Anderson Drive Proposed Modifications/Alternatives: Joe Jaynes recapped the discussion at the public meeting held earlier this month in City Chambers to outline the four proposals from the City. The meeting was well attended by residents of Ormond Beach and John Anderson Drive, in particular. Following the presentations, audience members were asked to vote on the proposals as a way of providing feedback to City officials. Mayor Costello asked for comments from our CAG. Following discussion, Paula made a motion that our response to the Mayor state that we appreciate the opportunity to provide input and look forward to working with the City. We recommend the alternative which will have the least negative impact on the environment, maintaining the width of the road as it exists now and to work with the City to obtain funding for a walking path which will meander between trees, run parallel to the road and be made of a pervious material which can be made smooth enough to accommodate wheelchairs. Our main focus is to resolve the storm water issues along the road, resurface as needed, but eliminate destruction of trees. Rita Press seconded. Motion passed. **Action: Paula will draft a letter to the Mayor with the CAG's recommendation and forward to Joe for signature.**

Flagler County will submit a grant request for funding to create an additional artificial reef and asked for letters of support. CAG members approved sending a letter from OSLT. Copy attached.

Action: Joe will include identification and prioritization of action projects from our CMP in the agenda for April.

Joe found no items of interest in the City of Ormond Beach Capital Improvement Plan, other than the proposals for John Anderson Drive.

Action: Karon Jaynes offered to review the County Council agenda on an ongoing basis to flag any agenda items which are of interest/concern to our CAG.

A1A NATIONAL BY-WAY

Rob Bird attended the CME meeting for A1A National By-way as OSLT representative. Their February meeting was largely devoted to determining ways to promote their roadway and discussion of how to best obtain funding to provide informational signage – grant money or public funding. They also discussed partnering with other entities, such as National Estuarine Research Preserve. Representatives from all three CME's which comprise the National groups were in attendance. **Action:** Joe will include an update from A1A National Byway CME as an agenda item for future meetings.

Garry recommended that as many OSLT members as possible attend the next A1A meeting (March 28 from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. in Marineland) to hear Dennis Adams who is the Florida representative from the National Byways organization. Garry also mentioned that Scenic America has eight areas of expertise. Professionals from each of these areas will be available to provide assistance to us when we receive national designation. A National Byways Conference is planned to be held locally in winter of 2008.

We briefly discussed the possibility of beginning to prepare the application for national designation during the time we are waiting for SHAC review. Garry has consultants at FDOT who can assist us in preparing the application. **Action:** Joe will include this as a future agenda item.

VIDEO

We reviewed a portion of the revised video before we adjourned due to closing time at the library.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Submitted by Paula Wehr, Secretary



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Mr. John Dodrill, Environmental Administrator
Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission
Division of Marine Fisheries
620 S. Meridian Street Box 4B2
Tallahassee FL 32399-1600

Dear Mr. Dodrill,

On behalf of members of the Ormond Scenic Loop & Trail CAG, I am writing in support of a grant to fund an additional artificial reef in Flagler County. Many members of our organization own coastal properties and understand the importance of maintaining a healthy coastline. All of our members are concerned about preserving and enhancing the natural resources of the Atlantic Ocean and minimizing environmental risks. The ocean and beach are an integral part of everyday life for all of us.

Flagler County's Artificial Reef Program successfully provides coastal zone management programs for the public interest and benefits both residents and tourists. Their history of success makes their program an excellent candidate for consideration of additional grants.

Thank you for considering this funding request.

Sincerely,

Joe Jaynes
Chair