



**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 – March 28, 2007

Meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m. by Chairman, Joe Jaynes in the Auditorium of the OB Library.

ATTENDEES

Garry Balough (FDOT), Rob Bird, Rick Gardner, Tom Holton (Hometown News), Joe & Karon Jaynes, Laureen Kornel (County Planner), Elizabeth Matej (OB City Planner,) Sue Parkerson, Dorothy Pflieger, Rita & Marty Press, Marty Price, Paula Wehr, Benny Woodham, Ginger Young

MINUTES

Rita Press moved to approve the minutes from February 28 as written. Marty Press seconded. All members present voted to approve.

UPDATES FROM THE CHAIR

In response to an Action Item from the 2/28/07 meeting, a letter was sent to Mayor Costello on March 13, 2007 outlining the CAG's recommendation for improvements on John Anderson Drive. A copy is attached to these minutes.

Action: Joe Jaynes will identify and prioritize action items from the CMP for review at the April CAG meeting.

Joe will deliver copies of the completed CMP to the City of Ormond Beach for review prior to the April 4 Commission Meeting at 7:00 p.m. and to Volusia County Council for review prior to the April 5 Council Meeting. Representatives of the City and the County will be asked to sign the CMP following our presentation. GAI will reprint and bind official copies following receipt of the signatures. Garry Balough will submit copies to the SHAC for final review in June.

CELL TOWERS

Joe reported finding a legal advertisement in the News-Journal as follows:

“Technical Associates / Sprint I proposes to construct a 195’ monopole wireless communications tower located at 59 Highbridge Road, Flagler Beach, FL 32136. If you have any concerns of any historic properties that might be adversely affected by this tower, please write to Doug Butler, Trileaf Corp., 2700 Westhall Lane, Suite 200, Maitland, FL 32751. (407) 660-7840. Please include the tower location and the location of the historic resource that you believe might be affected. Legal L62788. March 5, 6, 8, 2007”

Following discussion, CAG supports the need for a cell tower but endorses the use of cell towers disguised as trees. This method has been used in numerous other states as well as on Disney properties where the disguised towers are pointed out to visitors on tour of the grounds. **Action: Paula will draft a letter for Joe Jaynes to send to Mayor Costello, Frank Bruno and the chair of VCOG.** Rob Bird suggested inviting representatives from Sprint and/or other cell phone providers to attend a future CAG meeting to begin a dialog leading toward partnership.

ORMOND MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENTS

Bill Partington, head of Ormond Main Street Organization, contacted the CAG to request volunteers to provide input on changes to be made to Granada Blvd. between Orchard and A1A. They need volunteers for four major committees: design, promotion, organization and economic restructuring. As a group, the CAG expressed interest in but we need to know the date and time of the meetings as well as the time commitment involved. Rita Press expressed possible interest in serving on a committee. **Action: Paula will reply to Bill's e-mail advising him of our interest and will contact Maggie Sacks, the program manager/executive director, for more details.** Note: On April 6 Paula spoke to Maggie Sacks, Executive Director of Ormond

Main Street, a 501(c)(3) organization. The Economic Restructuring committee has been formed and held one meeting. A second meeting is scheduled for later in April. The Economic Restructuring committee is still open to additional volunteers. The Design, Organization and Promotion committees are being formed now. Maggie will forward information regarding the vision, focus and goals of these committees. Paula will distribute the information to CAG members who may want to volunteer. If you have interest in volunteering, please contact Paula.

FRIENDS OF A1A

Joe and Karon Jaynes, Rick and Robin Gardner, Paula Wehr, Marty Price and Rob Bird attended the Friends of A1A monthly meeting at 3:00 p.m. in Marineland. As OSLT liaison, Rob reported on that meeting to members of OSLT. Much of the business portion of the meeting involved administrative tasks. Dennis Adams, Byways Specialist from America's Byways Resource Center spoke to the Friends of A1A from the viewpoint of how to make their already designated National Byway a good destination for visitors and how to promote their roadway. He distributed a handout on "Developing Effective Wayshowing for Byways" and talked about the important points of ensuring that visitors have easily identified and uniform information. He stressed to OSLT that we should select two of the six resources to feature in our application for national status. He complimented the A1A group on their integration with local governments and also spoke about how to use the byway as a growth planning tool.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Submitted by Paula Wehr, Secretary



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March 13, 2007

The Honorable Fred Costello
Mayor of Ormond Beach
P.O. Box 277
Ormond Beach, FL 32175-0277

Dear Mayor Costello:

Members of the Ormond Scenic Loop & Trail Corridor Advocacy Group appreciate the opportunity to provide input to the decision-making process regarding improvements to John Anderson Drive.

After discussion of the four proposals presented by The City of Ormond Beach, we recommend following a course of action which will have the least negative impact on the environment. We recommend maintaining the width of the road as it exists now and offer 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 the roadway as needed, but eliminate destruction of trees.

Again, thank you for considering the CAG's recommendations. We look forward to continuing to work with the City of Ormond Beach to preserve, protect and improve our beautiful resources.

Sincerely,

Joe Jaynes
Chair