

**CITY OF DELTONA, FLORIDA
COMMERCE PARK RESEARCH PROJECT SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2015**

A Regular Meeting of the Commerce Park & Performing Arts/Historical Facility Sub-Committee was held on Friday, February 13, 2015 at the Enterprise Heritage Center, 360 Main St. Enterprise, Florida.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Boggs called the meeting to order at 3:34 p.m. and she thanked Kevin Finn of the Enterprise Preservation Society. She stated “we are looking forward to our tour and the exciting information you have to share with us.”

Mr. Finn introduced the founding members of the organization, Mark Matzinger, Chairman and Carol Aymar, Co-chairman and Government Liaison.

2. ROLL CALL & DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:

Chairperson	Tanya Boggs	Present
Vice Chairperson	Christine Peacock	Present
Sub-Committee Member	Eric Alexander	Present
Sub-Committee Member	Jean Armstrong	Present
Sub-Committee Member	Roy Braddy	Excused
Sub-Committee Member	Joe Cerrato	Absent
Staff Liaison	Jerry Mayes	Present

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE: Pledge was recited.

4. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. Adoption of Minutes – January 9, 2015:

Chairperson Boggs asked the members if they had a chance to review the minutes from January 9, 2015 and if there were any questions or recommendations for revisions.

Motion was made by Member Armstrong, seconded by Member Alexander to approve the January 9, 2015 minutes as written.

Motion carried with members present voting unanimous.

5. WELCOME OF PUBLIC SECTOR PARTICIPANTS, GUESTS AND PUBLIC ATTENDEES:

Chairperson Boggs welcomed the guests. Larry Kent, resident and Victor Ramos, Bethune-Cookman University, introduced themselves.

6. CITY LIAISON REPORT:

Mr. Mayes reviewed the report. He pointed out item six (6) Tractor Supply Co.’s Ribbon Cutting scheduled on Tuesday, February 17th will be at 11 a.m. not 10 a.m. Mr. Mayes informed the members of the Deltona Run for Your Heart 5K on Saturday February 14th starting at Deltona Middle School and the Enterprise Chili Cook-off on February 21st.

Chairperson Boggs asked if there were any time frames on the trail projects listed on the back page.

Mr. Mayes replied the River to Sea TPO and FDOT are doing the feasibility study now on the Powerline Easement Trail and information should be back within six (6) months. The Lakeshore Loop Trail is expected to be under construction in 2016. The feasibility study for the Providence Boulevard Trail will be done in 2016.

7. OLD BUSINESS:

Chairperson Boggs asked Mr. Mayes if the DEDAB meeting should be reviewed in old business or during new business. Mr. Mayes replied without copies to hand out it would not be reviewed. Member Alexander asked if a copy would be emailed. Mr. Mayes stated the minutes will be sent with the notice for the April meeting. He asked Chairperson Boggs to give a verbal review of the workforce information that was presented at that meeting.

Chairperson Boggs summarized the report by Volusia County Department of Economic Development on employment in Deltona and the improvements that have been seen. She stated there has been a gain of 855 in the labor force and 1244 in employment from 2013 to 2014. Unemployment numbers have improved. The number of commercial permits that have been issued or will be issued in Volusia County is exciting news. Daytona Beach was number one in dollar amounts. Deltona was number two with over \$32 million in the 4th Quarter and the two major permits were Tractor Supply and Florida Hospital. New projections for construction activity include the Walmart Neighborhood Market, Duke Energy and the Sterling Retail Center which combine for over \$30 million.

Member Alexander stated “congratulations to Jerry Mayes.” Chairperson Boggs stated “good job.” Mr. Mayes replied economic development is a team sport and a lot of members on the team worked toward getting that done.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Kevin Finn of the Enterprise Preservation Society will give a tour of the Enterprise Heritage Center.

Chairperson Boggs turned the meeting to Mr. Finn to talk about the Enterprise Preservation Society and the Heritage Center and begin their tour.

Mr. Finn began the tour (recorded) and explained the process of moving and refurbishing the building through grants. He discussed items on display from the Brock House Hotel and directed members to that area. Mr. Finn stated the City of Deltona donated the Thornby wrought iron gate sign. He explained sections of the building that were moved and he discussed a scrapbook from a school teacher, Bernice Fisher. This scrapbook includes poems from her admirer, Maynard Albertson, who went on to help break the Japanese code in the war. Mr. Finn stated in 2016 Enterprise will be 175 years old.

The members viewed and discussed the items on display. Mr. Finn stated Progress Energy/Duke Energy is a large donor, granting \$50,000 and he went on to discuss the various rooms and classrooms, the Chili Cook-off, a painting of the schoolhouse, and the remodel of the building.

Chairperson Boggs asked about the purchase of foundation pieces. Mr. Finn explained the pricing for foundation pieces and engraved pavers. He discussed the board of directors and founders and a future learning center.

Member Alexander asked if group gatherings like the Chamber could rent out space. Mr. Finn replied they are in the process of working on that. He discussed fundraising events, the Chili Cook-off and parking options.

9. PUBLIC AND PUBLIC SECTOR PARTICIPANT'S CONTRIBUTIONS:

(Four minute limit)

Mr. Kent asked if the school bell still rings. Mr. Finn replied it works and has been restored but there is no power to it. The original light fixtures survived the move and were restored after they were found on a shelf upstairs.

10. MEMBER COMMENTS:

Member Alexander stated "great, great tour, I very much enjoyed this."

Chairperson Boggs thanked him for taking time out at the last meeting and giving the tour this meeting. She stated we have decisions to make on a recommendation to the Commission whether the City of Deltona will take action on a Historical or Performing Arts Center. "We appreciate the effort you have put into this, not just for us, but for the community as well."

Mr. Finn thanked them for coming on behalf of the Enterprise Preservation Society and the Enterprise Heritage Center and Museum.

11. NOTICE OF THE NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME:

Next meeting will be Friday, March 13th, 2015 at 3:30 p.m. in the 2nd Floor Conference Room.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by Member Armstrong, seconded by Member Alexander to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried with members present voting unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

Tanya Boggs, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Sandi Jackson, Administrative Assistant II