

**TOWN OF DAVIE
OPEN SPACE WORKSHOP
JULY 17, 2013**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m. and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

Present at the meeting were Mayor Paul, Vice-Mayor Caletka and Councilmembers Hattan Luis and Starkey. Also present were Town Administrator Lemack, Town Attorney Rayson and Assistant Town Clerk Roig recording the meeting.

3. PUBLIC HEARING

Intergovernmental Affairs Manager Phil Holste stated that due to redistricting some projects had switched districts. Projects affected included: the C-11 Canal Equestrian Culverts; the development of the Divine Parcels and the Robbins Park Playground. Currently, District 1 had no funds; District 2 had \$520,000; District 3 had \$800,000 and District 4 had \$67,000. He described how funds had already been allocated for ongoing projects.

Councilmember Starkey felt the residents would prefer the uplands in Davie Wetlands Park not be sited near homes. Mr. Holste said that the state had ruled that there could be no wetland mitigation banking on land that had been designation for conservation. He stated if Home Dynamics could not proceed with their agreement, the Town could consider a smaller wetland, if this would be acceptable to other agencies.

Mr. Holste explained that \$321,000 had been allocated for the original C-11 Canal Equestrian Culverts but current cost estimates called for an additional \$230,000. District 2 had the funds, but Mr. Holste wanted to discuss whether they should proceed. He had reviewed the existing Griffin Road crossings and stated that installing the culverts would increase liability for the Town because people would use them to cross.

Mr. Rayson thought they could use District 2 funds with the permission of the district 2 Councilmember but he was concerned about the liability issue. Mayor Paul felt this had been a great idea as long as FDOT would pay for it. She understood Mr. Holste's concern about the crossing situation and thought they must assess the needs along Griffin Road as well as the liability issues.

Councilmember Starkey recalled that the Open Space Advisory Committee (OSAC) had prioritized the three culverts. Councilmember Starkey wanted to proceed with one and then consider the OSAC recommendations.

Vice-Mayor Caletka was not comfortable using District 2 funds and wanted to identify another source. Mayor Paul said this would be part of their discussion.

Director of Public Works Mark Collins provided an update on the C-11 bridge. He said the Site Plan Committee was in favor of the bridge and wished decorative columns to be added, which would cost an additional \$13,000.

Council agreed staff should move this forward without the decorative columns.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss and no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

Approved _____

Mayor/Councilmember

Town Clerk