

MINUTES
BIOSCIENCE LAND PROTECTION ADVISORY BOARD
TOWN OF LAKE PARK, COMMISSION CHAMBER
535 Park Avenue
THURSDAY, January 17, 2008
1:30 PM

1. Roll Call

Commissioner Karen Marcus, Palm Beach County Commission
Commissioner Addie Greene, Chair, Palm Beach County Commission
Mayor Joseph Russo, City of Palm Beach Gardens
Councilman David Levy, City of Palm Beach Gardens
Mayor Karen J. Golonka, Town of Jupiter
Councilor Robert Friedman, Town of Jupiter
Councilwoman Norma Duncombe, City of Riviera Beach
Vice-Mayor Ed Daly, Town of Lake Park
Mayor William Albury, Town of Mangonia Park
Governor's Office Representative, John R. Smith
Governor's Office Representative, Jenni Garrison (arrived at 2:05 p.m.)

Absent

Councilman Cedrick Thomas, City of Riviera Beach
Mayor Paul Castro, Town of Lake Park
Councilwoman Peggy Cook, Town of Mangonia Park

2. Approval of Minutes

Approval of October 18, 2007 Minutes.

A motion was made by Mayor Albury of the Town of Mangonia Park and seconded by Councilor Friedman and by unanimous vote the Board approved the minutes.

3. Comprehensive Plan Status –

Town of Mangonia Park – Mayor Albury explained that they had already transmitted their Comprehensive Plan to Department of Community Affairs (DCA) and were awaiting final comments from them. They hope to have it completed in about 15 days.

City of Riviera Beach – Councilwomen Duncombe explained that the City was still working on the process. Commissioner Marcus stated that she had seen Councilman Thomas and had provided him with a copy of the Interlocal Agreement with highlighted sections needing attention. The City's new Comprehensive Plan should include the Bioscience Overlay.

Town of Lake Park – Patrick Sullivan, Community Development Director explained that in February the Town would be transmitting the Comprehensive Plan to DCA. Once it is returned it would take between six (6) and nine (9) months before final adoption.

County Commissioner Marcus reminded everyone that the deadline for the completion of the adopted Comprehensive Plans was by the end of 2008.

4. Scripps Update (by Shannon LaRocque)

Commissioner Marcus stated that Shannon was not available for this meeting but had provided a handout with the updates for the projects, which included a schedule of the opening dates of the different buildings.

5. Branding/Marketing Subcommittee Update (Lisa De La Rionda)

Lisa De La Rionda, Director of Palm Beach County Public Affairs, explained she was a member of the Branding/Marketing Subcommittee for this group. Distributed to the members was a handout with the new design of the website which included the North County banner across the top. It also highlights all the partners on the left with direct links to each partner. The website is www.pcbioscience.com. Lisa De La Rionda pointed out that if someone prints out the home page it will read "The North Palm Beach County Life Science Corridor". The name of the website should be included on any transmits going forward, for example on the agendas and minutes to get the word out. Governor's Representative Smith inquired about having each municipality link to the Bioscience website from each of their websites. It was agreed that it would be a great idea to have website links included on each municipalities' website to the new bioscience website.

6. Update from Business Development Board (Kelly Smallridge) – Andrew Duffel from the

BDB filled in for Ms. Smallridge. He explained over the course of this Life Sciences project he has developed a database which has about 2500 contacts from around the world. All the contacts received a copy of the announcement of the project. A large number of the contacts have responded with questions and interest about the project and what is going on in Palm Beach County. About 50 more prospective contacts have been notified about the Life Sciences and the project. Other companies have also reached out and shown interest in the project, such as four small profit and contract research organizations which are the companies that will administrate the clinic trials as technology spin out of such companies as Scripps, which is the next step in the development of the Life Science cluster. All these companies will be looking for industrial space to build their facilities near the lab, which is where the overlay cluster of Mangonia Park; Lake Park; Riviera Beach, etc will come into play.

The largest project spoken about last year was Project Catapult. The one hundred and fifty thousand (1500) square feet facility will be a medical outpatient facility in the North County area. They want to establish an outpatient facility as well as clinical trials and clinical research. This project is moving forward with a well developed plan.

Mr. Duffell announced that the International Bio Trade Show this year will be held in June in San Diego, California. The Business Development Board will partner with Enterprise Florida and have representatives speak about Scripps and Bioscience in Palm Beach County. This trade show will expose Scripps to other areas of the world, such as the Asian researchers that were unable to see the demonstration last year in Boston Massachusetts. A report will be made upon their return in July or August.

As for other activities taking place in Palm Beach County the teaching Hospital in Boca plan is still on track and is expected to be operational by 2012 or 2013 on FAU campus.

An invitation was extended to the members of the board to the Bio Trade Show in San Diego in June, which is the largest gathering. Commissioner Marcus stated that it is a great experience. Lisa De La Rionda wanted to know if they have booths. Andrew Duffel, stated that yes their will be booth space available. They are requesting that nine (9) Economic Development partners go to the trade show for each to bring 3 to 5 representatives. The booths will hold displays and materials. Mayor Russo stated that Palm Beach Gardens would participate.

Commissioner Marcus asked if anything was being done with the Alexander Company. Andrew Duffel stated that they are currently looking for tenants and the building was about 90% completed.

7. Update State Funding Corp. (Jenni Garrison)

Jenni Garrison arrived at 2:05 p.m. and introduced herself to the board. Ms. Garrison stated that she has been retained as a consultant by the Florida Funding Corporation until the Governor's Office could hire a replacement for Sarah Misselhorn. Commissioner Marcus asked everyone to introduce themselves to Ms. Garrison. Ms. Garrison stated that the Scripps Florida Funding Corp has completed their fourth annual report for fiscal year 2007. The report was submitted in December to the Governor, the Senate President and the House Speaker. The report is now available on-line at www.flgov.com/scripps. A one page summary of the full report will be submitted to everyone. A few highlights were mentioned:

The economic impact is most important to note. From September 06 - September 07 over 230 million dollars was the measured economic impact here locally with the Scripps Florida project. Additional over 2 thousand jobs were created from its operations and 11.8 million dollars was paid in taxes to state, county, municipal governments. Those numbers were arrived at by Enterprise Florida using the in-plan model. Currently Scripps employs over 250 people, and has received 30 million dollars in grants from outside sources. Another grant for one million dollars was announced yesterday January 16, 2008 from The Frost Family. Ms. Garrison answered some questions of the board, such as the number of employees Scripps will generate, etc. The annual report does have specific information, details, and an explanation of how the process was compiled. Commission Chair Greene requested receiving the updated information by e-mail. The report she quoted is also available on-line.

8. Update from Life Science Committee – The members of this committee have not met. Commissioner Marcus asked that it be deleted from the agenda until the committee meets.

9. New Business – Town of Jupiter Mayor Golonka updated the board on the Economic group established to administer and make recommendations on the three million dollars for the cluster. They will meet for the first time on Friday January 18, 2008.

Palm Beach Gardens Councilman Levy announced that Palm Beach Community College would be holding their Ribbon Cutting tomorrow January 18, 2008 at 3:00 p.m. Councilman Levy suggested having someone from the school speak at one of the Board's meetings. Commissioner Marcus

agreed that it would be a great idea to invite a speaker to a meeting. Mr. Duffell suggested inviting Ed Wiley from PBCC and Dr. Libby Handel, who runs the Biotech Program.

Commissioner Marcus received consensus from the board to invite Dr. Richard Lerner to a meeting to provide an update. She would also like to extend an invitation to someone from Max Planck. Mr. Duffell suggested inviting Russell Allen, President of BioFlorida too.

Commission Chair Greene expressed concern that children are not being made aware of Scripps and who they are. She has asked children at different functions and none of them knew anything about Scripps or what they represent. Commissioner Marcus stated that she would speak to Dr. Harry Orf, from Scripps, and find out about the children outreach programs designed to introduce Scripps and the status of that process. Commission Chair Greene stated that many children are leaving to go away to college not knowing about the opportunities here, which means they would not be returning to the area.

10. Public Comment – None.

11. Next Meeting February 21, 2008 at the City of Riviera Beach.

12. Adjournment - There being no further business to come before the Board and by unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 2:15 PM