

Eloise CRA Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Johnny and Freda Brooks Resource Center
(Eloise Resource Center)
710 Snively Avenue
Eloise, FL 33880

Monday March 2, 2020 6:00 p.m.

Committee Chair, Minerva Gill called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., welcoming all attendees. Advisory Committee Members Larry Powell, Eugenia Barton, Lee Castillo, and Minerva Gill were present.

Guests: New Committee Member as of March 3, Martha Paul

Staff:

Ashleigh Drake, Polk County Parks and Natural Resources
Beneshea Frazier, Polk County CRA Manager
Deputy Steve Theriac, Polk County Sherriff's Office
Harvey Green, Polk County Code Enforcement

Welcome to Stakeholders

(#1 on agenda)

Beneshea Frazier, CRA Manager welcomed stakeholders.

Approval of Minutes

(#2 on agenda)

Committee member Minerva Gill moved to approve the December 9th, 2019 Eloise CRA Advisory Committee meeting minutes with a second from Lee Castillo. All approved.

Requests from the General Public and Opportunity to be heard

(#3 on agenda)

None.

Old Business

(#4 on agenda)

Bus Shelter & Citrus Labels

Beneshea went on to discuss the installation of the transit shelter and Citrus Labels previously approved.

Summer Youth Internship Initiative

Beneshea Frazier, CRA Manager provided the committee with an update on a previously approved Summer Youth Internship Initiative and notified committee members that the recruitment period has begun. She went on to make associated documents available to committee member and attending community members.

Reappointments

Beneshea Frazier, CRA Manager discussed:

Committee Appointment

- Martha Paul **Term:** 3-3-20 to 3-20-23

Committee Reappointment

- Lee Castillo **Term:** 7-8-20 to 7-10-23
- Eugenia Barton 4-20-20 to 4-21-23

New Business and Updates

(#5 on agenda)

Beneshea went on to discuss the opportunity for the development of an annual Senior Program

- Up to \$15,000 annually
- Focus on health, art and fitness

A motion was made by Lee for the approval of an annual senior program, and was seconded by Eugenia.

- All approved for \$15,000 annually in partnership with parks and rec

Program and Project Status

(#6 on agenda)

Code enforcement Officer Harvey Green went on to discuss citations issues and general community concerns. They are currently awaiting funding, to be able to move forward with the process. Additionally, Harvey stated that he has cited several businesses.

Deputy Steve Theriac, with the Polk County Sherriff’s Office mentioned on the 3rd of February there were 2 arrests made on 17.

Community conversation ensued.

Set Date of Next Advisory Board Meeting

(#7 on agenda)

The next quarterly Eloise CRA Advisory Committee meeting to be held at the Johnny and Freda Resource Center (formerly Eloise Community Resource Center) was tentatively scheduled as follows:

Monday, June 1

Minerva Gill Committee Chair, adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:00 p.m.

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