



Bryan's Brief February 2014

Happy New Year to all! I'm proud to begin another year representing District IV on the Board of County Commissioners. Leon County is a very special place to live and raise our families and that's because of you, the great people who make up this community. I know 2014 will bring great things our way and I can't wait to share them with you.

Solid Waste Collection – Collection of waste by Waste Pro got off to a rocky start due to misinformation they received on routes. They expected to serve less than 23,000 and to date are serving up to 27,000. If you are having problems, please call Waste Pro at 606-1899. If your concern is not addressed, call our Solid Waste staff at 606-1800. As always, I'm here too if you need me.

Killearn Lakes Stormwater Project Improvements – Work will begin in Unit 3 in the Southbrook area in February and construction will begin near Bull Headley. The project will take approximately one year. The HOA has a graphic of the areas we're working and staff will have biweekly progress meetings with the contractor and provide updates to the HOA as the project moves forward.

Bannerman Rd Widening Project and Thomasville/Proctor Rd Recreation Property – both projects are still included in Tier I on the Sales Tax Committee's proposed project list. We lost \$2 million on the Park project, but with the remaining \$10 million, we can go a long way in developing a park we can all be proud of. A workshop is scheduled for February 11 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. to discuss the Sales Tax Committee's Final Report and Recommendations. For more information, go to <http://cms.leoncountyfl.gov/Home/LeonCountySalesTaxCommittee>.

Proposed Bannerman/Thomasville Rd Development – the Board approved a Settlement Agreement between the County and the owners of specific parcels which are generally located between Kinhega Drive and Bannerman Road (and known as the "DeSantis Property").

For more information, see agenda item 29 at the following:

http://cms.leoncountyfl.gov/coadmin/agenda/view2.asp?meeting_date=1/21/2014&item_type=0

Amendments were also approved to maps for zoning, etc. See agenda item 30 at

http://cms.leoncountyfl.gov/coadmin/agenda/view2.asp?meeting_date=1/21/2014&item_type=0

Beech Ridge/Kinhega Roundabout – staff met with the Killearn Lakes Homeowners Association Board January 9th regarding the proposed addition of the two east bound lanes and they are now moving forward with design level plans. They'll report back to the Association once the plans are available to seek their input.

Miccosukee Ball Fields – Construction will begin after ball season to avoid potential impacts to Little League play.

Deer Lane Stormwater project - we have the permits in hand and the project should be going out to bid in the next few weeks.

County Commission Workshops – Workshops have been scheduled to discuss the following issues:

- 1) Cultural Plan Committee Update Report and Recommendations - February 11, 2014, at 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
- 2) Sales Tax Committee's Final Report and Recommendations – February 11, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- 3) Fire Safety Infrastructure Needs - February 11 from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. to discuss fire safety needs, specifically fire hydrants in the unincorporated area.
- 4) Cycle 2014-1 Comp Plan Amendments - February 11, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

5) County Health Programs - March 11, from Noon to 3:00 p.m.

Hope you can join us or at a minimum send the Commission an e-mail/letter detailing your support or any concerns you may have regarding any of the workshops scheduled above. I'll make sure they're included as a part of the public record.

Meridian/Rhoden Cove Intersection Improvement – Intersection construction is complete. Please let us know if you see any problems or have suggestions. The resurfacing of Meridian from Timberlane to McClay is scheduled sometime this Spring and will include enhanced safety improvements – additional signage, striping, etc. Let us know if you have suggestions.

Lauder Pond (south of Thomasville Rd) Work should be completed in late Spring to repair leaks to bring it back into compliance so it meets Bradfordville Stormwater Standards.

Lexington Pond Stormwater Project (on Meridian) we're still in the right-of-way acquisition stage. This project will address stormwater quality coming out of Market Square and draining into Lake Jackson and will also address the flooding on Meridian.

Killearn Acres FEMA Map Revisions – Staff is continuing to review the FEMA maps in the Killearn Acres area to correct the maps based on actual flood elevations. This will not be a timely process.

Capital Project Implementation Program – the Commission approved the use of a portion of the Local Option 5th Cent Fuel Tax for the construction of sidewalks and intersection improvements. District IV projects include the extension of the sidewalk along Timberlane Rd from Deerlane to Woodley; the 4 lane extension on Bannerman Rd 900 feet to Quail Commons; and the re-alignment for sight distance of Miccosukee and Miles Johnson. For more information, go to Agenda Item 26 at

http://cms.leoncountyfl.gov/coadmin/agenda/view2.asp?meeting_date=1/21/2014&item_type=0

I consider it an honor and a privilege to serve as your District IV Commissioner and I commit to you that I will continue to do the best job I can in representing you and our community. As always, I welcome your input and appreciate all of you who act as my eyes in the District. Many of the improvements we've already made, or are currently working on, came from citizen suggestions or observations. As you plan for your neighborhood/homeowner's association meetings, please let me know the dates and times so that I may join you. Please don't hesitate to call me if you have any questions or concerns, deslogeb@leoncountyfl.gov or 606-5364.



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