

## Corridor Management Council 2013 Annual Meeting Minutes

January 24, 2013 Evinston United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

Present: Scott Richardson [President & Evinston Resident]; Lacinda Richardson; Jessica Baker; Todd Baker; Bill Halbeck; Kay Richardson; Lilianna Wood; J.W. Wood; Geraldine Wood; Sue Wood; Freddie Wood; Frederick Wood (Evinston Residents); Scarlett Kinder (Evinston Post Office); Sally Guthrie; Ed Geers; Rev. Les Singleton; Geri Smith; Stuart Smith; Lewis Wilkerson; Jean Wilkerson (Micanopy Residents & organizations); Amber Roux (Paynes Prairie staff); Debrah Miller; Dwight Forsyth (FDOT District 2 staff); Kathleen Pagan (County GM); Bob Finck (Atkins, FDOT consultant).

Meeting was Call to Order at 6:15 pm by Scott Richardson after some socializing to begin. Scott announced the Pot Luck Dinner was served and enjoyed. (Thanks to Northwest Seafood and The Pearl Country Store for provisions, as well as everyone who prepared special food to share).

At approximately 7:05pm the business meeting began with Introductions and Approval of Agenda & Nov. 2012 Minutes. A motion by Todd Baker was seconded by Ed Geers and passed unanimously.

Scott Richardson provided the President's report & Annual Mtg. Officer Appointments report.

- 501(c)(3) administration is fine according to Bob Finck. He will assist to complete the paperwork for a May 1 tax reporting deadline.
- Scott presented the recommended officer slate to continue for this year, as permitted by the Bylaws. Scott Richardson- President; David Carr- Vice President; Jessica Baker- Treasurer; Alicia Wood- Secretary.
- Motion by Todd Baker with 2<sup>nd</sup> by Freddie Wood to accept all existing officers to continue service. Motion passed with unanimous approval of Members.

Next a Brief Presentation by Board Members and Staff followed despite technical difficulties with the computer/projector.

A short history was presented by Kathleen Pagan, County staff, who also announced the Feb. 2 dedication at Barr Hammock. Kathleen thanked all the members and partners who have made major contributions to the Old Florida Heritage Highway over 10 years including these persons. Our Byway success is due to your great efforts-

Scott Richardson- completing 501-c-3 work and outstanding Fish Fry events!

Ashley & Freddie Wood- Wood and Swink preservation & Paint Outs!

Prof. Peggy Carr & David Carr - Conservation Trust for Florida (CTF) land conservation & Micanopy Design Standards!

Busy Shires Byerly and Commissioner Mike Byerly – Wood and Swink preservation and

Bike Subcommittee/Rumble Strips!

Alachua Conservation Trust and Alachua County Forever- land conservation work!

Ed Geers- Micanopy Historical Society (Battlefield and Native Preserve grants)!

Mrs. Addie and Rev. Les Singleton- Micanopy Chamber of Commerce and Garden Club participation (noting coreopsis in logo design was their suggestion)!

Mrs. Jessica and Todd Baker- Social media and organizing the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Photo Contest!

Linda Conway Duever- worked on the Master Plan Design Team!

Paynes Prairie Preserve State Park staff- Visitors Center Project/grants!

M K Rawlings State Park staff- recent work on NEH grant and “The Year of the Yearling” event to begin soon!

FDOT staff- great photos, festival booths and free byway promo items!

Next Todd Baker discussed Outreach & Membership / Participation and 2013 Goals. Goals for 2013 are:

1. Support the Local Economy- Be involved with and sponsor events that bring visitors to the byway and local businesses;
2. Increase Membership- Promote active participation in diverse community events;
3. Community involvement- Provide community outreach programs for targeted use of the byway.

Todd noted that Micanopy and Evinston are well represented but outreach to other byway communities is important. The Micanopy Fall Festival is a major community event and with more members and participation we hope to be involved in more events.

Scott Richardson concluded with remarks that Old Florida Heritage Highway is one of 26 byways in our state, and his thoughts of the importance of community. He announced water bottles were free for everyone at this meeting.

- Grant opportunities- Kathleen Pagan mentioned CTST grant and will collect info on deer crash safety public information program. Rev. Les Singleton mentioned deer whistles are effective preventative measure.

FDOT District 2 Scenic Highway Coordinator Report- Debrah Miller announced the emphasis in the new state work plan for economic development along byways. She commended Jessica Baker for her social media work for the OFHH Facebook page.

Meeting adjourned at approx. 8pm and the next meeting was announced for Thursday Feb. 21 at 6pm.