



April 4, 2016

City Manager's Report

Veterans Memorial Park Improvement Project

Representative Larry Lee, Jr. was contacted by Amy Adams, Consultant with Cape Canaveral Scientific, Inc. to request his legislative support in acquiring funds for the Fort Pierce Veterans Memorial Park Improvement Project. An initial meeting was scheduled with Amy, Jack Andrews (City Engineer), Carrie Lira (Aide to Senator Negron), Nicole Fogarty (St. Lucie County's Legislative Affairs Manager) and others to discuss acquiring funds to continue the renovation and construction of Veterans Memorial Park.

After meeting and hearing all the positive possibilities of this great project, Rep. Lee agreed to submit a Member's Budget Request during the 2016 Legislative Session on behalf of the City of Fort Pierce. The original request of over \$400,000 was not granted; however, with constant communication with the City of Fort Pierce's Engineering staff, along with the dedication and diligence of Mary Alice Bennett, Legislative Aide to Representative Lee, funds were received.

When Representative Lee noticed no funds were listed in the budget for Veterans Memorial Park in the House or Senate a day before the final budget was to be voted on and approved, he immediately made a personal appeal to the incoming Speaker and current Budget Chair, Rep. Richard Corcoran on behalf of this worthwhile project. Rep. Lee emphasized how the funds requested for the proposed improvements would be used to honor those who sacrificed their lives and for the improvement of the quality of life not only for veterans, but citizens as well. The Chair granted his request and agreed, along with Senator Negron, to submit \$100,000 for Veterans Memorial Park in the 2016-2017 budget in both chambers.

Representative Lee has a passion for his hometown of Fort Pierce and the entire St. Lucie County and knows only good things can come to our community when everybody collaborates for a common goal, the citizens.



Representative Larry Lee, Jr. Debating on the Floor



Fort Pierce Westwood High School

Nick Mimms and Joe Smith, Clerk of Court, spoke to over 200 9th graders at Westwood High School on March 30, 2016.



Fort Pierce Citizens Academy - Class 3

Class 3 Graduation March 21, 2016



The City of Fort Pierce celebrated the graduation of its largest Citizens Academy class to date at the March 21st City Commission meeting. 28 people took part in the 7-week program, including several real estate agents, brand new residents, and community leaders, making this the biggest class since the academy began in 2013.

The annual Citizens Academy is a 7-week series of classes designed to teach citizens about how their local government

mid-March each year. During weekly two to three-hour sessions, participants learn about the responsibilities of City of Fort Pierce departments and the services they provide to the community. Presentations and facility tours give participants a better understanding of the role local government plays in the quality of life that City of Fort Pierce residents enjoy.

Sessions were held at various locations in the City depending

Session 1 - At The Helm



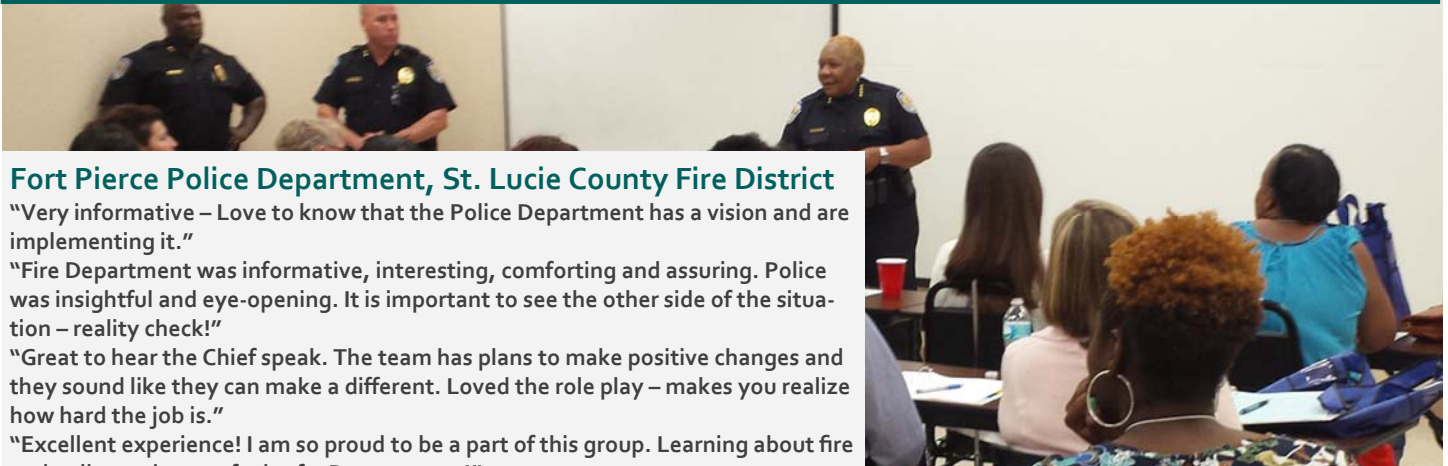
City Commission, City Manager, City Attorney, City Clerk

"Enjoyed the history overview of Fort Pierce, along with the City Manager's explanation of departments."

"Great job on educating our community"

"The presentations were dynamic and I am excited to be involved. Loved it - Ready to learn!"

Session 2 - In Honor We Serve



Fort Pierce Police Department, St. Lucie County Fire District

"Very informative – Love to know that the Police Department has a vision and are implementing it."

"Fire Department was informative, interesting, comforting and assuring. Police was insightful and eye-opening. It is important to see the other side of the situation – reality check!"

"Great to hear the Chief speak. The team has plans to make positive changes and they sound like they can make a difference. Loved the role play – makes you realize how hard the job is."

"Excellent experience! I am so proud to be a part of this group. Learning about fire and police makes me feel safe. Deep respect!"



Session 3 - Building For Tomorrow



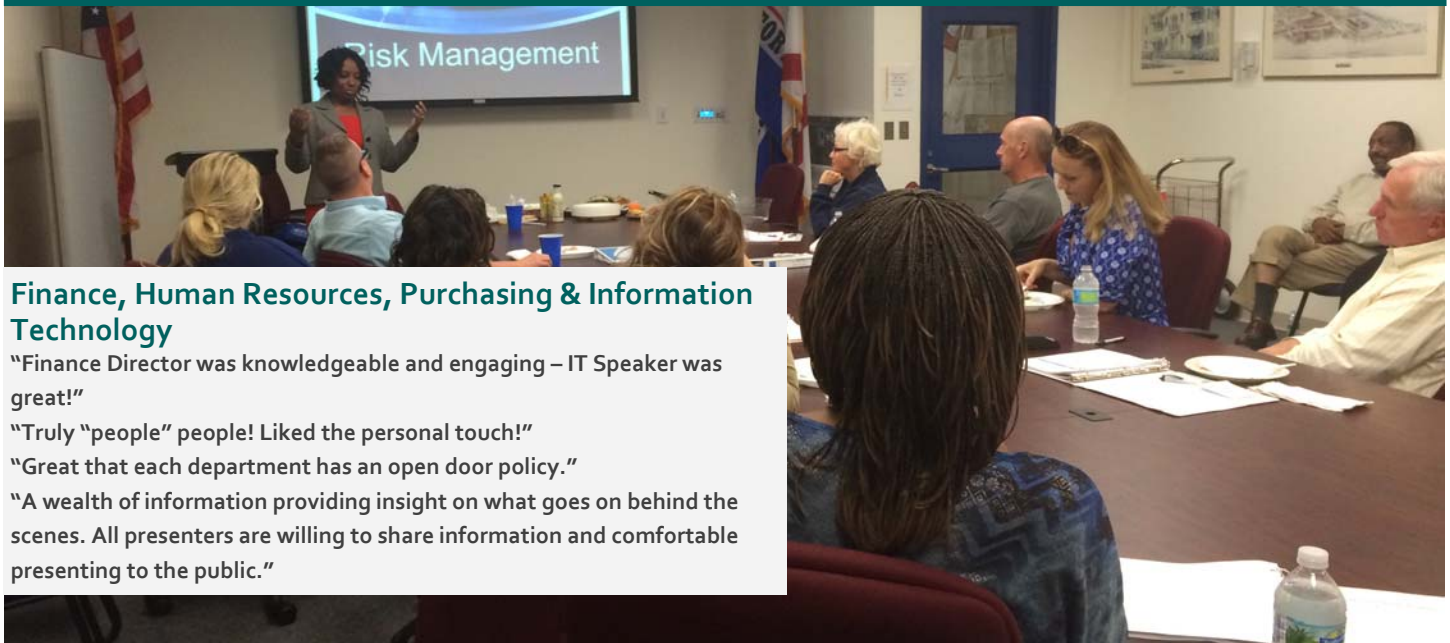
Planning, Building, Engineering, Urban Redevelopment

"Everyone was knowledgeable. Great learning. Loved Paul and learning about the Building Department. Jack takes pride in his role and that is awesome!! Kori is thorough and credible – great job!"

"It was good to learn about the building department. It was also cool to learn about the upcoming projects in Fort Pierce. Overall very interesting and I learned a lot. It was awesome to learn about Indian Hills Recreation Area, I haven't been there year and I am eager to go!"

"So much going on in Fort Pierce. Plants cleaning water - Impressed!!!!"

Session 4 - Foundation For Our Future



Finance, Human Resources, Purchasing & Information Technology

"Finance Director was knowledgeable and engaging – IT Speaker was great!"

"Truly "people" people! Liked the personal touch!"

"Great that each department has an open door policy."

"A wealth of information providing insight on what goes on behind the scenes. All presenters are willing to share information and comfortable presenting to the public."

Session 5 - Laying The Groundwork



Public Works, Code Enforcement & Animal Control

"The Code Enforcement Manager is a gem!"

"The Public Works Manager is well informed about what is going on and is ready to jump in and help out one of his staff who may have stumbled. The Fort Pierce Public Works should be proud of what they do and how they put their available resources to the best use. Well done."

"Very impressed with quality of presentations and fielding of class questions"

Session 6 - Fun in Fort Pierce



Indian Hills Golf Course, Fort Pierce City Marina & Sunrise Theatre

"I liked learning more about the marina and golf course. It was nice to learn some history about the Sunrise Theatre."

"Love this town!!!!"

"I loved the comment 'come in by boat, go to the farmers' market in the morning, play a round of golf in the afternoon and attend a show at the Sunrise in the evening!' You have to LOVE Fort Pierce."

"Good wrap up topic it was nice to hear the managers talk about their operations, you can tell they are very passionate about how their work is impacting the city."

Final Evaluation—Entire Program Survey

I learned things that I didn't know and I was born and raised here.

All of the presenters are so proud to be city employees and said they had an open door. That is how things get better everyone works together. Kudos to Mayor Hudson

Thank you to all involved especially Shyanne! She is very motivated and her enthusiasm is awesome. She did an awesome job and should continue to do these sessions.

I'm already on the move to help better our City because I love Fort Pierce.

Keep it going! This is a total gem!

My understanding of the City of Fort Pierce has changed because I was clueless about the many departments and how they operate and collaborate for this city.

I would recommend Citizens Academy to a friend because if you love your city, you should learn about it.

Shyanne Helms was outstanding – spreading her enthusiasm for the City – she is a sunrise herself.

I would recommend Citizens Academy to a friend so they can really see the love for our city in all the workers. People need to see that. The love spreads that way.

After Citizens Academy, I am so motivated – I love Fort Pierce.

Planning Department



Construction is underway on the first O'Reilly Auto Parts Store in the City of Fort Pierce, located at 2600 Okeechobee Road. This 7,941 Sq. Ft. retail store represents only a million dollar investment along this prominent corridor, and the opportunity of employment for 14-20 associates.

Family Dollar begins adding landscape and finishing touches.



2015 Summer Slam Participants



The 2nd Annual City of Fort Pierce 'Summer Slam Basketball Camp' will be held for 10 weeks - between May 31-August 5. The program will be held at the Percy Peek Gymnasium and will be open to up to 50 youth per day, ages 11-19, divided into age groups 11-14 and 15-19. Funded through the City's Community Development Block Grant, the program will create 4 part-time jobs and will provide Basketball Training, Mentorship Activities and Public Speakers, and Reading Coaches. Partnership with Allegany Franciscan Ministries - who will provide \$5,000 that will be used to purchase basketball equipment and sports uniforms. Lunch and snacks will be provided daily.

Site Developments

Rocla Concrete Tile, Inc.- 600 South 3rd Street



New Production Plant



Finished Plant - Street View

Oak Alley Subdivision - S. 25th Street



Oak Alley consists of 56 home sites, of which only 10 remain available for purchase.



Current Construction



Single Family Homes
Finished GHO Home - Street View



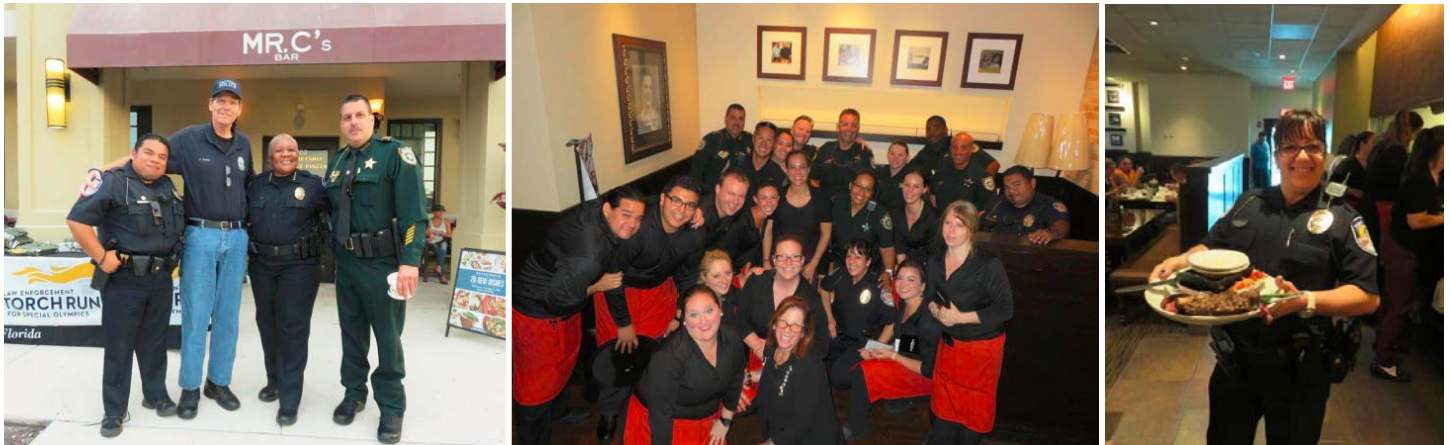
Gated community.
Each home is surrounded by Live and Laurel Oaks.

Police Department

Tip A Cop

On Friday, March 18, 2016, Officers from the Fort Pierce Police Department teamed up again with Deputies from the St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office for the second "Tip A Cop" event. "Tip A Cop" is a fundraiser to raise money for the Florida Special Olympics, St. Lucie County chapter. This time, the venue was held at Carrabba's Italian Grill in Port St. Lucie, FL. The Officers and Deputies worked as servers alongside the service staff of Carrabba's and raised over \$1,850 in tip money for the Florida Special Olympics. Many thanks to all who came out to support this great cause and of course, many thanks to Carrabba's Italian Grill (St. Lucie West) for inviting us to their location for this fundraiser.

The next "Tip A Cop" event will be on April 1, 2016 from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Outback Steakhouse in St. Lucie West.



Sandy Shoes Seafood Festival "Grapefruit Squeeze-Off"

The Fort Pierce Police Department participated in the "Grapefruit Squeeze-Off", an annual tradition at the Sandy Shoes Seafood Festival. This is the second year the Fort Pierce Police Department has entered the contest. The team consisted of a cutter (Detective Ludmila Quintao) the squeezer (Officer Damian Spotts) and the pourer (Detective Diego Palacio). The team squeezed 13 cups of juice within the two minute time limit, which placed our team in third.



Mentorship Makes A Difference

Officer Dreizehnter, who regularly mentors the young ladies at the PACE Center for Girls was invited to their "Cook with a Cop" breakfast. As a result of their positive behavior, a select group of girls were nominated to participate. They had great conversations about making good choices and looking at life past the here and now.



Police Department

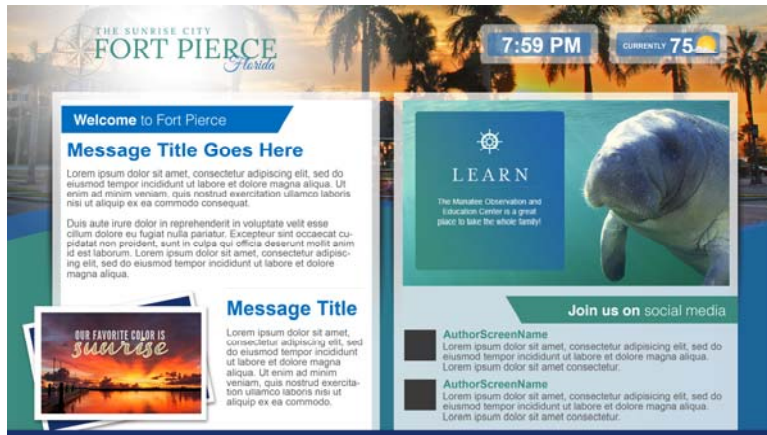
Kids at Hope Spring Break 2016 Forum

"Mutual Understanding and Respect"....it is vital for a positive relationship between Law Enforcement and youth. That was evidenced at the G.A.A.P (Gaining Appreciation Adjusting Perspective) youth forum. The forum was a circle forum comprising of local youth and Law Enforcement Officers from St. Lucie County (Fort Pierce Police Department, St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office and the Port St. Lucie Police Department). There were open and unobstructed discussion about the interaction between local youth and local Law Enforcement. Discussions were real and all parties offered their opinions, concerns and suggestions in a neutral setting. These forums are vital in building a positive relationship between Law Enforcement and youth.



Officer Woodruff speaking at the Forum (second from left)

Information Technology Department



FPTV

Working with building department to create FPTV content to inform the public of issues concerning building, permits, and the process in general.

Working with media team (Shyanne Helms, Linda Cox and DeVoshay Johnson) to create media policy for FPTV.

Tightrope rebranding complete. Next phase is gathering fresh and relevant City of Fort Pierce content to launch our newly designed channel.

FPTV mockup is shown on the left.

"Warm Handshake"

Initiated rotation of support staff and instituted "warm handshake". Support staff introduced themselves to the department heads and evaluated the needs and concerns of each department opening lines of communication, confidence, and comradery.



Leticia Cruz, IT Specialist's "warm handshake" with Planning on the left and Code Enforcement on the right.

CITY MARINA SALES REPORT 2016		
	January	February
Dockage Reservations	220	174
Monthly Dockage	\$67,712.40	\$85,306.04
Transient Dockage	\$79,804.67	\$70,780.53
Electricity	\$6,731.58	\$6,327.18
Retail	\$18,438.13	\$25,856.25
Gas Sales	\$11,433.13	\$9,167.88
Diesel Sales	\$63,883.57	\$26,517.74
TOTALS	\$248,003.48	\$223,955.62

Marine Trawlers Owners Association Upcoming Spring Gathering

Approximately 55 trawlers will be gathering in Fort Pierce for the Marine Trawlers Owners Association Spring rendezvous, April 5, 2016 through April 7, 2016. MTOA is a national cruising organization. They have rented out the River Walk Community Center for their meeting space and will be arriving throughout the month to enjoy the local area.

Construction Updates

Indian Hills Recreation Area - Stormwater Improvements

Substantial completion has been reached on all five pedestrian bridges in Phase II (south side of Savannah Road). Contractor began picnic pavilion construction last week and wetland planting commenced this week. Construction is on schedule to be completed June 2016.



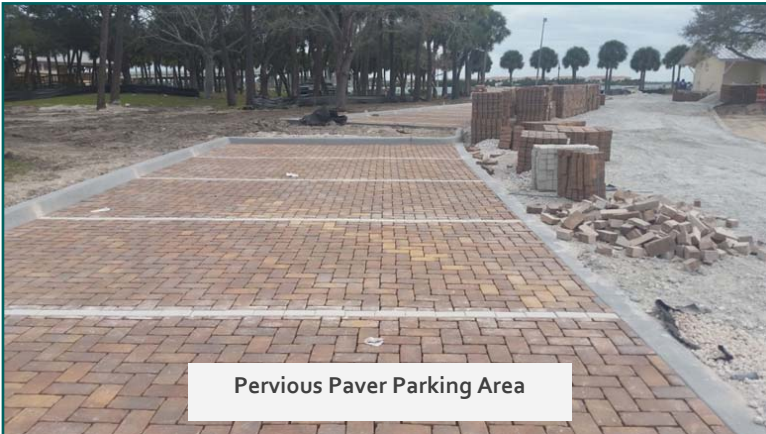
80' Pedestrian Bridge and Compacted Rock Trail



Indian Hills Phase II – Wetland Planting

Construction Updates

Veterans Memorial Park Phase II Stormwater Improvements



Pervious Paver Parking Area

Construction of the stormwater improvements are underway. Contractor has completed the southern bio-swale, the concrete terrace seating area at the lake edge, the pedestrian bridge cap beam, and the underground drainage. Work continues on the lake area and the northern parking area/access aisle.



Pedestrian Bridge/Retaining Wall

Lake excavation complete and natural stone cladding has been installed on the retaining walls and the pedestrian bridge. The northern parking area is scheduled for its first lift of asphalt next week and within two weeks the north parking area will be open to the public. Representative Larry Lee was able to secure funding in the amount of \$100,000 from Governor Scott via a members' request.

13th Street and 17th Street Reconstruction

Paving and drainage plans have been completed for both projects. Awaiting 17th Street final plans from FPUA to incorporate into our bid plans. Contract documents for 13th Street have been completed and forwarded to Purchasing with a request for advertisement of bids. 17th Street expected to go out for bid in two (2) months.

Street Resurfacing

Contract submitted for review by Risk Management and City Attorney. Anticipate construction beginning within 30 days. Streets to be resurfaced include 12th Street (Ave. H to Ave. M), 21st Street, Birch Street, and 23rd Street from Georgia Avenue to Virginia Avenue.

City Marina Dinghy Dock Construction

Awaiting the executed BIG grant contracts to proceed with the project advertisement. RFP anticipated advertisement in April and construction start anticipated May/June 2016. We have received the executed FIND documents for incorporation into the RFP documents.

H.D. King Power Plant Clean-up

Cardno began remediation work the first week of March 2016. Approximately 5,000 tons have been removed from the site. Cardno has presented 60% design plans for the seawall replacement along Moore's Creek.

Sunrise Theatre

SUNRISE THEATRE FINANCIAL REPORT - FEBRUARY 2016

Date	Show	Attendance	Total - Expense	Total - Revenue	Gain/(Loss)
2/3/2016	Masters of Illusions	820	29,220.94	36,631.35	7,410.41
2/4/2016	Brass Transit/Chicago	229	20,317.37	9,883.08	(10,434.29)
2/5/2015	Buddy Holly Story	1,132	33,581.96	60,042.64	26,460.68
2/5/2016	Girls, Guns & Glory	103	1,063.49	1,805.00	741.51
2/6/2016	Patti LaBelle	858	82,473.92	70,303.23	(12,170.69)
2/11/2016	Tony Bennett	1,195	110,811.75	137,227.20	26,415.45
2/13/2016	Gladys Knight	843	73,695.50	61,993.44	(11,702.06)
2/14/2016	Midtown Men	1,095	39,620.98	59,198.90	19,577.92
2/19 & 2/20	Doo Wop Weekend	1,397	53,088.20	68,589.26	15,501.06
2/21/2016	Melissa Etheridge	843	67,098.83	65,137.66	(1,961.17)
2/22/2016	Super Scientific Circus	N/A	4,560.77	88.00	(4,472.77)
2/23/2016	David Feherty	1,097	58,320.64	71,298.56	12,977.92
2/24/2016	Hotel California	1,092	39,338.14	45,626.16	6,288.02
2/25/2016	Rat Pack	351	21,035.18	17,776.36	(3,258.82)
2/27/2016	Australian Bee Gees	505	22,980.77	20,227.00	(2,753.77)
2/28/2016	Beach Boys	1,179	65,925.23	82,653.33	16,728.10
Month	Jazz Jam	755	1,138.20	8,041.00	6,902.80
Month	Comedy Corner	356	3,856.69	7,244.00	3,387.31
TOTALS			\$728,128.56	\$823,766.17	\$95,637.61



John Wilkes and Frank Sinatra, Jr.

Members beginning at the \$250 level and up, recently had the opportunity to attend Meet & Greets with The Beach Boys, Mickey Gilley, and Frank Sinatra, Jr. Unfortunately, Mr. Sinatra passed away days after his well-received performance on March 10.

NEW BUSINESSES 2/27/16—3/23/16

Business Name	Street Address
Big Dog Repair, LLC	117 Orange Ave
Brock Logistic, LLC	130 S Indian River Dr
Da'heelz And Stuff	4830 S US Hwy 1
Elhilal, Alexander H., M.D.	1700 S 23rd St
Elite Auto Sales of St. Lucie	3512 Okeechobee Rd
First Class Diagnostics LLC	300 S 6th St
Goldar, Jose Manuel, M.D.	1700 S 23rd St
Grace of Sunshine Pool Service	112 Rockland Dr
Lawnwood Behavioral Health Ser	1870 N Lawnwood Cir
Paradise Home & Patio/Furnitur	4051 S US Hwy 1
Pupuseria La Salvadorena	2911 Okeechobee Rd
Ragland, Chardreaka	5203 Okeechobee Rd
Regus Management Group LLC	130 S Indian River Dr
Relentless Pressure Cleaning	505 Mayflower Ln
Romans, Nicole Lynn	1870 N Lawnwood Cir
Ruiz, Merly	6693 Samba St
Sheridan Healthcorp, Inc	1700 S 23rd St
Skele-Crew	1153 Bayshore Dr
Smith, Anthony L	1007 Avenue F
Soto Lawn Service & Care, LLC	117 S 16th St
Taqueria Las Brisas LLC	850 S 21st St
Tercie's House of Beauty	5203 Okeechobee Rd
The Beach Spa LLC	946 Seaway Dr
The Betancourt Cleaning Servic	108 Roselyn Ave
The Minisuper, LLC	2921 S US Hwy 1
Twisted Wrenches Automotive	706 S 5th St

Public Works Department

Jetty Park Parking Area Delineation



The Public Works Department secured a contractor to provide concrete curb delineation within the temporary parking area established at the west end of Jetty Park. This will bring organization to that heavily utilized area. This task was completed on March 23, 2016.

Jaycee Park



PWD staff is working together on a beautification project at Jaycee Park. All palm trees are being trimmed, the volley ball pit is being reestablished, planters are being refurbished and some painting within the park.

Melody Lane Fishing Pier and Wall



Staff has increased the maintenance in the area as well as removed stumps, filled in irregularities in the grade, added sod in bare areas, pressure washed the sidewalk and painted the entire wall.

River Walk Center

upcoming events

Event	Date	Time	Location
Friday Fest	4/1	5p-9p	Marina Square
Farmers Market	Saturdays	7a-1p	Marina Square
Green Market	Wednesdays	12p-6:30p	Marina Square
Avenue D Market	Fridays & Saturdays	8a-10:30p	Ave D Plaza
Food Truck Invasion	4/5 & 4/19	5p-10p	River Walk Center
Taste of St. Lucie	4/13	5:30p-8p	Veterans Memorial Park
Sailfish Brewery 3rd Anniversary Party	4/23	12p-9p	N. 2nd St.

Code Enforcement

This property is located at 721 S 22nd Street. The property was previously used as an illegal assisted living facility and the owner was eventually charged and convicted of this offense. After his incarceration, the bank foreclosed upon the property and it was sold to a new owner. The new owner obtained all the necessary permits and has done a very successful rehabilitation of the property.



These are two adjacent properties located on Tucker Court that were recently placed on our Nuisance Abatement bid list. One property was cut and boarded by the property owner and one was addressed by a city vendor. The clean up action at both properties has made a major positive impact on the neighborhood.



Indian Hills Golf Course

11th Annual Edward G. Enns City Championship

The 11th Annual Edward G. Enns City Championship was hosted on March 19th and 20th. There were 70 competitors in the field with 5 divisions of play: Legends Division for men over 70 years of age, Senior Men's Division for men over 60 years of age, Men's Division for under 60 years of age, Senior Ladies Division for ladies over 60 years of age and Ladies Division for ladies under 60 years of age. On Saturday, there were two rain delays but the rounds were eventually concluded. On Sunday, there were a few showers in the morning before the 8:00 AM shotgun. The round began on time and was completed about 12:30 pm. A luncheon and awards ceremony followed after the last round, and everyone expressed what a good time they had and looked forward to playing again next year.



Legends: 1st, 2nd & 3rd place winners



Ladies: 1st, 2nd & 3rd place winners



The competitors prepare for the round



The signature 12th hole at Indian Hills for City Championship

Indian Hills Junior Golf Camp

- Ages: 7 to 17
- \$65 per student (includes lunch and equipment)
- Camp 1: June 1-4
- Camp 2: June 15-18
- Camp 3: June 29-July 2
- Camp 4: July 20-23
- Time: 9:30a to 1:30P



1st Tee Program every Wednesday

Together We Can



Inspire Excellence

Mission Statement

“To provide community leadership, quality public service, and a safe environment for all citizens, by an empowered team of employees motivated by pride in themselves and their work.”