

July 23, 2019

The Western Nassau Heritage Preservation Committee (WNHPC) met in regular session this 23rd day of July, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the Walter “Junior” Boatright Building, 45401 Mickler Street, Callahan, Florida. Committee members present were Bobby Franklin, John Stack, Linda Morris, Charles Gressman, and Chair Jimmy Higginbotham. Absent was committee member Barry Holloway. Also present was Taco Pope, Assistant County Manager; and representing the Department of Planning and Economic Opportunity were Adrienne Burke, Director; and Abby Weiss, Planner and GIS Analyst. Also present was Heather Nazworth, recording secretary.

Chair Higginbotham called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Gressman led the Invocation and Chair Higginbotham led the Pledge of the Allegiance to the American Flag.

It was moved by Ms. Morris, seconded by Mr. Gressman and unanimously carried to approve the minutes from the June 25, 2019 Western Heritage Preservation Committee meeting as presented.

Ms. Burke discussed the finalization of the goals and objectives. She mentioned that at last month’s meeting there was a review of the goals, objectives, and policies. She inquired whether the committee had any changes to the goals and objectives.

It was moved by Mr. Gressman, seconded by Mr. Franklin and unanimously carried to approve the goals and objectives as presented.

Ms. Burke reviewed the draft Vision Book template. She advised that the goal for the meeting in August is to have the draft vision book template complete, then continuing with the approval of the vision book in September. She provided a copy of the draft vision book template and requested that the committee review the strategy components. She explained that the goal is to have a complete booklet containing the efforts of this initiative. Mr. Stack referenced the Essential Growth Booklet that was previously provided as being a good tool to assist with completing the Vision Book. Mr. Pope referenced the 2019 Growth Trends Report including the new tools for 2019 and the growth projections for Nassau County.

Next, Ms. Burke provided an update on the August and Fall outreach. She provided a calendar with the date and locations of the outreach events. She mentioned that the upcoming outreach events will be different from the past and will be based upon sharing what has been accomplished with the feedback that was provided and sharing the goals, objectives, and policies that have been established. She explained that the goal is to get back into the community and get the citizens interested and engaged in order to continue with the process.

Next, Ms. Burke reviewed the strategy examples to be discussed in August. She provided a handout that referenced what will be reviewed at the August meeting. She stated this will be the start of the creation of strategies under the goals and objectives. She defined strategies as the specific action items and requested the committee think about what strategies might be good for specific objectives. She also provided examples and requested that the committee use assignments for how the plan can be implemented. The group had further discussion regarding the ideas and strategies.

Finally, Ms. Burke mentioned that North Florida Land Trust and Nassau Extension office is having a workshop regarding Conservation Easement on August 19, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Callahan Multi- Purpose building, 543350 US Highway 1 in Callahan, Florida. She noted that

this workshop will be related to some of the goals and objectives that have been discussed and is informational for private property owners as to what options are available for land protection and conservation.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

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