Oak Bluffs
Community Development Council
Ad Hoc Fiscal Sub Committee
Task force email: obadhcfinance@gmail.com

CDC Meeting #175
Ad Hoc Fiscal Group Meeting # 36
Minutes of 10.24.12
9am-Town Hall Meeting Room

Members in attendance:
   Chairman Terry Appenzellar, Priscilla Sylvia, Bob Huss, James Westervelt (recorder)
   Non voting member Christine Flynn, FinCom Chairman Steve Auerbach
   Also attending BOS Chairman Kathy Burton

Item: Minutes
Minutes of Ad Hoc Fiscal Group meeting on 10.17.12 was read, and accepted.

Item: Public Comment
None

Item: Review
Terry reviewed the goals and objectives of the task force. The goals and objectives will be read at the start of meetings to keep the task force focused.

“To review certain aspects of Town of Oak Bluffs’ fiscal situation toward resolution of projected deficits. The examination should consider future economic expectations (growth, recession) and propose revenue increases and/or spending reductions as well as efficiencies (town and regional, including privatization). The committee report should document all opportunities reviewed, including those already implemented by the Town.

Objective:
   a. develops criteria for essential Town services.
   b. recommend efficiencies in Town operations, including cessation, privatization and regionalization.
   c. recommend potential spending reductions.
   d. recommend potential revenue increases.

Item: Highway Department
Christine spoke of a state grant (Community Innovation Challenge Grant) established to improve governmental services through regionalization practices such as software sharing and comprehensive inspections in building departments.

The group reviewed Terry’s notes from our previous meeting with Richie Combra Jr. and Nicole Morey. A comment that the “to do” list compiled by Nicole of citizen requests (fixing of pot holes etc.) should be computerized.

Steve commented on the huge scope of work involved and how well organized the highway dept was. The group discussed “publishing” our reports on the departments we’ve studied for the public. Hard copies can be read at the library and town hall as well as on the town web site.

Terry suggested we all do some research to find more data on waste (rubbish) removal programs and recycling from other municipalities.

Item: Public Input
None

Adjournment: 10:05am

Materials: Highway Dept. Essential Services grid, excel data

Next meeting: 11.14.12
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10.24.12
9am

Members Present:
   Terry Appenzellar, Priscilla Sylvia, James Westervelt (recorder)

Minutes:
The CDC did not conduct any CDC business on previous meeting day except the above ad hoc task force so there were no minutes to approve.

Adjournment 10:05am