Notice of Public Meeting of the Technology Advisory Board Official Minutes

Monday, February 11, 2019, 5:30 P.M. Room 210 City Hall 9101 Bonita Beach Rd. Bonita Springs, Florida 34135

			TIME	<u>INFO</u>	DISCUSSION	<u>ACTION</u>
I.	MEETING CALL TO ORDER Meeting called to order at 5:33 p.m.		5:30			X
II.	ROLL.CALL		5:35			X
	Present: John Poldoian Jim Kauffman Tim Deaton Susan Bickel	Staff: Lora Taylor Mike Gibson Addison Smelko				
III.	PUBLIC COMMENT		5:40			
	No public comment					
IV.	MINUTES OF JANUARY 14, 2019		5:45			X
	Mr. Deaton moved to approve the minutes as published, Mr. Poldoian seconded; motion passed unanimously.					
V.	COUNCIL LIAISON ITEMS		6:50	X		
	Mr. Gibson stated he had no items to report.					
VI.	STAFF INFO & UPDATES		7:00	X	X	

Ms. Taylor reported on the new website. Ms. Taylor asked the Board to brainstorm on what they think might be beneficial to have on the new website, specifically on the "How do I" section.

- How do I
 - Combine planning/zoning/building permit together under "Applications", or a tab that reads "Applications".
 - Pay online what do you pay online? If it would be for permitting, put that in the permit section. Ms. Taylor stated they are still working through what people can pay for online.
 - Employment opportunities have a major heading at the top of the page and promote it, make it flashy.
 - What is "Watch a Video"? Ms. Taylor explained it is referring to recorded meetings like the City Council meetings, etc. The Board thought there might be a better name for that.

- The pictures are great.
- Discover Bonita Springs
 - Have a separate link for residents and visitors
- More powerful search engine
- Search box in the upper right had corner
- Working home button
- Major category/minor category to make it easier to find things
- Check how it looks on mobile devices

Ms. Taylor stated they plan to have a soft opening to test the sight. Ms. Taylor asked the Committee to let her know if they think of anything.

Mr. Kauffman asked how easy would it be to modify the site once it goes live. Ms. Taylor stated it will be easy to modify, they have three admins that have been trained to set up pages and they will be continually updating the site.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

7:15

X

No new business to discuss

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

7:30

X

• 5G Technology and health concerns

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Mr. Deaton started looking into 5G and started seeing health concerns. He look primarily on what he could find on the medical end of it. There is a significant amount of concern regarding 5G and levels of radiation. The Board discussed the different aspects of 5G and potential health concerns:

- The idea was to have a transmitter every 1000 feet down every major thoroughfare.
- It's frequency dependent
- Distance from the human body dependent
 - is it going over your head
 - height
- Duty cycle
- Output how many watts
- There are about 5 or 6 variables
- 5G is very expensive to install and the carriers are expecting high revenues, the money is made in high-density areas

Because of our density, the Board does not expect to see 5G in our area anytime soon.

• Cellular Deficiencies in East Bonita: an Update By Jim Kauffman

Mr. Kauffman has been in contact with Verizon since 2015 regarding this issue. Mr. Kauffman explained Verizon is the strongest carrier nationally as well as in this area and he has been dealing with them regarding a public safety issue. There is a commercial broadcast tower on the north side of Bonita Beach Road and Verizon has a permit to install facilities on that tower.

Mr. Kauffman stated that would not do the whole trick though. Mr. Kauffman stated what they need is two sites; they need a site in Bonita National and near Bonita National. Mr. Kauffman stated that a 149-foot tower is being negotiating with Bonita National right now. It would be a camouflage tower made to look like a bell tower stationed in the club area.

Mr. Smelko recommended Wi-Fi calling. Mr. Kauffman stated Wi-Fi calling has been popular since it became a feature on most smart phones. If you are in your house and you have Wi-Fi calling turned on, reception is good. The carriers are now sending out network extenders that has been working in interim.

IX: NEXT MEETING

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The Board decided to keep the third Monday schedule.

The next meeting is confirmed for March 18, 2019.

X: ADJOURNMENT

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Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dadine Chiasamonte

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TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY BOARD:

Date: 11910

Jim Kauffman, Chairman

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