

December , 2012 External Affairs Committee Report

Bonita East Stakeholders Residents Forum January 23, 2013 at 1:30 PM Village Walk Administration Building Ballroom

There are a lot of important things going on at this time regarding proposed major residential with commercial and industrial development on what is known as the City's DRGR lands which could eventually increase the traffic on Bonita Beach Rd., Bonita Grande and Terry Street by at least 6,000 car trips per day, as well as other very significant issues; the latest update on Homeless Shelters and Halfway Houses; changing of Sheriff's Department Command structure in Bonita Springs and update on what Sheriff's Department is doing to prevent random shooting and AT'ing across from Palmira, San Remo and Village Walk; update on getting a new library.

The new Chairman of the Lee County Commission, Cecil Pendergrass, will be a featured speaker on what his vision is for Lee County and will do a Q&A following his presentation. Morris and Depew land planners will make a presentation regarding what their client, the owner of the existing gravel mining operation, is planning to propose involving the development of 1320 acres +/- of City DRGR land to have up to 2900 home sites, some commercial and industrial development followed by a Q&A. Bill Lonkart, City Councilman, will update you on things going on in the City which our east of I-75 residents should be interested in with a Q&A following his presentation. Fred Forbes, LPA Member and newly elected Fire Commissioner will provide an update on status of Homeless Shelters and Halfway Houses proposed operating and rewrite of Land Development Code relative to Social Services Agencies (zoning codes) and will do a Q&A.

This is your chance to bring issues up to the Chairman of the County Commission, the Sheriff's Department, our City Councilman, the land planners who are working on a proposal which if approved will eventually lead to the development of most or almost all of the City's DRGR lands, a member of LPA and a Fire Commissioner.

There are many things which should be of major interest to all of our gated communities' residents of Hunters Ridge, Quail West, Worthington, Palmira, San Remo and Village Walk. Please let your friends know about this meeting and feel free to invite other gated communities to let their residents know they are welcome to come to this meeting.

Fred Forbes, Chairperson – External Affairs Committee