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06/17/2020

Agenda Item No. or Topic

Bike Path / Rail Trail

Comments (TEXT ONLY) No Pictures or Attachments Accepted

Hello,

I'm a huge advocate for the Bonita - Estero Rail Trail. I have started a Facebook page and also a petition with over 500 signatures. I have used numerous "rail trails" in various states and have seen the impact they have to the culture of an areas as well as how they stimulate not only families lives, but the economy in general.

I understand that this is going to come at a price. I'm asking for the actual cost. We have businesses that want to help. We can bring private funds to this initiative. Our beaches aren't going to be pristine forever ... we need to think ahead.

Raising a family in this area is becoming less desirable every year. We need more things to do outside. Our parks and rec is fantastic, but kids and families need to move .. they need to be active ...

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Hotels in other areas give bikes to guests to explore their trails and area. We have the Hilton coming to "downtown" Estero ... this needs to be done.

Biking on our areas roads is a death wish and biking on the sidewalks is less than ideal ... the rail trail would be the centerpiece this area is missing.... FOR FAMILIES.

I will gladly approach private funders ... i need a price tag and a target deadline of when we can start. That will help guide me if SWFL is even worth sticking around for.

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Agenda Item No. or Topic

Septic to Sewer workshop and Capital Improvement Plan workshop

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As we all know, the Estero River is an essential asset for the Village, and must be preserved and maintained for storm water flow (most of the Villages' storm water flows down the River), keeping it as clean as possible, and for recreation purposes. The River is considered a "special water" and is to have special protections. Based on the various studies that you've commissioned and based on the Federal Dept. of Environmental Protection the River has substantial bacteria. We all know this information, but it's worth summarizing it.

Based on this information, I believe that the health of the River (and the people who uses it) needs to have the highest of priorities for capital improvements including the septic to sewer conversions and all of the storm water projects. I know that the financial costs are high, and I'm sure you are looking into various avenues to get the funds needed to get this done.

Thank you for your continued effort to preserve and maintain our great Estero River!

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06/17/2020

Agenda Item No. or Topic

Water Quality Findings, septic to sewer, all water issues

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Many thanks to FGCU and the Village Council and administration – with special thanks to Councilmember Katy Errington - for your ongoing efforts on behalf of the Estero River and our local waters. There is escalating concern over many water-related issues including bacteria, septic to sewer, blue-green algae, stormwater, and debris/flooding control. Pelican Sound, together with a number of communities and organizations, support your work and would be glad to assist in any way that would be helpful. – Janet O'Hara, Chair, Pelican Sound Watercraft and River Committee

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06/15/2020

Agenda Item No. or Topic

Estero River update

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Unfortunately I cannot attend the meeting but wanted to let the Council and the leaders of the FGCU Water School that we have an active and interested committee of volunteers at Pelican Sound Golf and River Club. We are working with our neighboring communities and various organizations to be aware of and support any actions, studies and/or processes concerning the Estero River, its neighbors and things that could impact it – positively or negatively. We understand the value of the River to Estero and its residents and want to be sure it is maintained as an estuary for everyone's pleasure while also being utilized as our main outlet for flood waters in the Corkscrew drainage area. Please do not hesitate to reach out to us for input, assistance or feedback.

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