

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE STUART CENTENNIAL TASK FORCE
HELD ON October 21, 2013
AT 4:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS
121 S.W. FLAGLER AVE.
STUART, FLORIDA 34994**

TASK FORCE MEMBERS

Chair, Mary Hutchinson
Vice Chair, Sandra Newman
Eugene McHardy
Nathan Ritchey
Denny Hudson (Absent)
Anne Shafer (Absent)
Virginia Sherlock (Absent)

CITY COMMISSION LIAISON

Commissioner James A. Christie, Jr.

ADMINISTRATIVE

City Manager, Paul J. Nicoletti
City Clerk, Cheryl White

Chairperson Hutchinson led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Committee.

COMMITTEE UPDATES AND ACTION ITEMS:

EVENTS (Sandra Newman)

1. Update Sub-Committee meeting

Sandra Newman and Tara Biek gave a brief update on upcoming Events.

Tara Biek also mentioned several events that wish to partner with the Centennial for their events. She suggested that what she could do is provide those who wish to participate a list of Centennial events and if they want to help us then they would have to partner or jointly celebrate.

The Board agreed.

There was a discussion regarding the Final Ball Event. The discussion included a cost estimate.

Tara Biek stated she would discuss the event with Jade who will be managing the Flagler Center.

Mary Hutchinson stated the Flagler Center was nice when they held other events there.

She noted that a former resident now singer has expressed an interest in performing for the Event.

Resident and Author Mary Dawson said she has been working with Martin County Library and the School Board on a Centennial Celebration reading program. She also stated the School Board has offered to present a Proclamation to the centennial Task Force in Celebration of the event. The Proclamation needs to be prepared by the City.

The Board members also discussed musical groups who could perform at the Centennial Ball. They also discussed the cost associated with the event per person.

HISTORICAL: (Eugene McHardy)

2. Update Sub-Committee Meeting.

Samuel McHardy stated that he has been busy working the East Stuart Centennial. He noted appreciation to those who helped with the press releases. He noted the events that have taken place. He thanked the City for their support. He said they had vendors set up for fun day with 14 flag football games very well attended with about 3200 people in and out. Money was made by vendors and the park was kept clean. He stated the East Stuart Gala has been postponed due to low number of ticket sales. The Event has been continued to a later time and the agreements were all honored for December 2, 2013. He said the gala will be at the 10th Street Center with a Cash Bar and the cost is \$25.00 per person.

FINANCIAL: (Denny Hudson)

3. Update on financial matters.

None

SPONSORSHIP/MARKETING AND PUBLIC RELATIONS: (Mary Hutchinson)

4. Update Sub-Committee meeting held on (TBA)

Mary Hutchinson stated she had been out of town and was working on lamppost banners as well as other marketing ideas.

The Board agreed the banners would be used to announce the Centennial.

Mr. McHardy stated that he recently was speaking with Mr. Nicoletti about funds that have been provided to dedicate with a Plaque to name a park in East Stuart after two soldiers who were killed in the Vietnam War. He asked the Committee to consider dedicating the Park on Memorial or Veterans Day and make it part of the centennial celebration.

Mary Hutchinson said she is working on more sponsorship. She said that she and Tara Biek were working on T-Shirts with old photos. Stuart Heritage said they were interested in selling them.

It was asked if the Centennial Committee would have a tent at the upcoming Seafood Festival.

She stated that the word is finally getting out and we will be seeking volunteers for the upcoming events.

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 Min. Max)

ANNOUNCE NEXT MEETING DATE Next meeting date is scheduled for November 18, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: 6:18 p.m.

Thomas Campenni, Chair

Date