

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of the Orange Blossom Trail Development Board, Orlando, FL, at the Holden Heights Community Center, 1201 20th Street, Orlando, FL, at 8:30 a.m. on the 26th day of February 2025.

CALL TO ORDER

Board President, Bob Moser. called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Directors Present: Bob Moser, Deborah Aponte, Forrest Askew, III, Tasha Golis, Jeff Robinson, III, Commissioner Michael Scott

Guests: Cheri King, Orange County Government; Tim McClendon, City of Orlando; Lynetta Johnson, OBT-Memberships Mission Review Board

Staff Present: Vanessa Pinkney, Executive Director, Marcia D. Davis, Executive Assistant, Jessica Darden, Program Manager

I. Approval of the Consent Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Michael Scott, seconded by Forrest Askew, III, to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

II. CRA Economic Development Grant Presentation

Stefen Smith gave a presentation on his application for the CRA Economic Development Grant. He asked the Board for \$75,000 to develop a 4-pronged initiative: 1) create promo videos (5-10 businesses), 2) establish a local business association, 3) establish a youth technical training program and 4) establish a CRA office. Board members suggested rewriting the proposal in more detail, particularly on the rental relocation and promo video expenses.

III. Staff Updates

Roger Dixon provided updates on the MSTU and CRA areas. Tasha Golis mentioned that the property on Westmoreland has been cleared. Jessica Darden provided an update on the Safe Neighborhood Program. Family Fun Day will be held on March 15, 2025, at the Holden Heights Community Center. A resource event will be held at the South Trail Library on March 18, 2025. The Safety Task Force continues to meet monthly.

IV. Old Business

Vanessa Pinkney updated the Board on continuing projects. We are making progress on the OBTNext website.

V. New Business

N/A

VI. Public Comment

N/A

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:33 a.m.

Minutes Submitted by,

Marcia D. Davis