

A Board Meeting of the Regional Community Institute of Northeast Florida, Inc. (RCI) was held on Thursday, September 3, 2009, at 2:00 PM, at the Northeast Florida Regional Council, 6850 Belfort Oaks Place, Jacksonville, Florida, 32216.

Chairman Rhodes called the meeting to order with the following members present (in person and via phone) representing a quorum:

Michael Boyle, Dawn Emerick, Wilfredo Gonzalez, Linda Myers, Jon Netts, Bob Page, Mary Alice Phelan and Bob Rhodes. Commissioner Milissa Holland of Flagler County attended as a quest.

Staff: Margo Moehring, Brian Teeple, Angi Giles

Chair Rhodes welcomed all in attendance, and asked for introductions of attendees and staff.

Minutes

Commissioner Boyle moved approval of the minutes of the February 12, 2009 meeting; seconded by Mr. Gonzalez; motion carried unanimously.

By-Laws

The By-laws, as revised February 12, 2009 were presented to the members. Discussion followed.

Reality Check First Coast (RCFC) Summary

Ms. Moehring gave a brief overview on RCFC, and stated that the Exercise went very well, and that we held it at a lower cost than other Reality Checks. The Final Report should be released in October. Staff is creating Expert Panels that are really engaged. Discussion followed regarding the role of the RCI in relation to RCFC.

Committee Structure/Chair Appointments to Committees

Chair Rhodes stated that he would like RCI members input on the Northeast Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan (SRPP). Ms. Myers stated that this is the beginning of putting together the SRPP. Discussion followed regarding the RCI Committees, 5 of which are mandatory for the SRPP: Affordable Housing, chaired by Elaine Brown; Natural Resources, chaired by Quint White; Economic Development, chaired by Kellie Jo Kilberg; Emergency Preparedness, TBD; Health and Human Services, co-chaired by Carol Brady and Dawn Emerick; Transportation, chaired by Art Graham. Policy recommendations should be received from the Committees by March of 2011. RCI should work hand in hand with RCFC on input, the regional vision, and the SRPP.

The proposed next meeting dates are quarterly, on the first Thursday of the month, following the NEFRC Board meetings (December, March, June and September). The next meeting date is set for Thursday, December 3, 2009, at 1:30 PM at the Northeast Florida Regional Council, 6850 Belfort Oaks Place, Jacksonville, Florida, 32216.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 3:10 PM.