



THE CITY OF  
**CRESCENT**  
CITY FLORIDA

**BRC (Blue Ribbon Committee) Meeting**  
**December 10, 2024, 9:00 a.m.**

**Minutes**

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Chairman Dan Dodge called the December 10, 2024, meeting of the Blue-Ribbon Committee for acquiring the former Middle School to order at 9:00 a.m. Other members present were John Newbold, Ron West, Nancy Taylor, and Dr. Kevin Jordan. Also present were Commissioner William B. J. Laurie, liaison to the Crescent City, City Commission, City Clerk Karen Hayes, and guest Danny Miller.

The minutes from December 10, 2024, were approved as corrected via a motion from John Newbold, seconded by Ron West, and passed unanimously.

John Newbold stated he meets with Charlie Douglas at 4:00 p.m. on a conference call to discuss the BRC story and how we will develop it. John Newbold noted that as a committee to pursue funding on this year's cycle, Commissioner Laurie is working on filling out the form request.

Commissioner Laurie reported that he received the Title Report this morning. The next step is to have him review it and get an opinion. Commissioner Laurie stated he would give it to Karen Hayes so she could distribute it to everyone.

Michael Brillhart stated he believes the meeting with REG will be in January or February.

Commissioner Laurie stated he met with Joe Pickens, the President of St. Johns River State College, and Professor Brown, but everything is hypothetical. Joe Pickens stated the college was doing some classes at the former middle school, but there wasn't enough interest in enrollment in Crescent City.

Kevin Jordan suggested making the School District a partner in this venture and approaching Bass Pro Shop for a private entity partner.

Danny Miller suggested bringing the State College in immediately because whoever takes control would have to abide by the contract letting them stay. Danny Miller also suggested that instead of being called Crescent City Center, it should be called the Fruitland Peninsula Center.

Kevin Jordan feels a five-way partnership should bring Bass Pro Shops and the Town of Weleka together. He also suggests keeping the School District as a partner so they have some aspect of this becoming a college campus.

Kevin Jordan moved to recommend bringing in a five-way partnership in principle to guide the course of action for this committee. John Newbold seconded the motion, which passed with all eyes.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, December 17, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.


Kevin Jordan moved to adjourn. Nancy Taylor seconded the motion, which passed with all eyes. Dan Dodge adjourned the meeting at 9:43 a.m.

**MEETING CONNECTION INFORMATION:**

You may view the meeting live on the City's YouTube channel. Go to [www.crescentcity-fl.com](http://www.crescentcity-fl.com)  
and click on the YouTube link or go to

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCak1\\_v7UFM8nqIviX53nzaA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCak1_v7UFM8nqIviX53nzaA)

**APPROVED** on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 2024.

  
Karen Hayes, MMC, City Clerk

  
Daniel Dodge, Chair