

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FEBRUARY 18, 2020

A Utilities Department Quarterly Update BCC Meeting was held at the Murdock Administration Complex in Commission Chambers; Room 119, Port Charlotte, Florida.

The following members were present: Chair Truex, Commissioner Constance, Commissioner Deutsch, Commissioner Doherty, and Commissioner Tiseo. Also in attendance were: County Attorney Knowlton, Deputy County Administrator Flores, Finance Director Gervais, and Minutes Clerk Light. The following members were absent: None.

The Meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Citizen Input

Todd Rebol commented on Utility Update.

1. Fiscal Update

Rick Arthur, Fiscal Services Manager spoke to Charlotte County, Florida Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), Charlotte County Financial Reserve Policy, gave a brief presentation on Agenda, Rate Model Update, SRF (State Revolving Fund) Loan Utilization, Reimbursement Resolution, Utility Debt By Financing Mechanism, Utility Debt By Repayment Source, Utility Uses Of Debt, Utility Annual Debt Service Analysis, Project Utility Capacity, Water Authority CIP Update, and responded to Board inquiries.

Chair Truex discussed Charlotte County, Florida Capital Improvement Plan, February 25, 2020 Regular Meeting, Charlotte County Financial Reserve Policy, and Water Authority CIP Update. **Commissioner Constance** mentioned Charlotte County, Florida Capital Improvement Plan, Charlotte County Financial Reserve Policy, SRF Loan Utilization, Reimbursement Resolution, Utility Uses of Debt, Utility Annual Debt Service Analysis, Utility Debt By Financing Mechanism, and Water Authority CIP Update. **Commissioner Deutsch** noted Utility Uses of Debt. **Commissioner Doherty** spoke to Charlotte County Financial Reserve Policy, SRF Loan Utilization, Florida Association of Counties (FAC), Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), facilities inventory, R&R (Repair and Replacement) plan, and Water Authority CIP Update. **Commissioner Tiseo** commented on Charlotte County, Florida Capital Improvement Plan, SRF Loan Utilization, Reimbursement Resolution, Utility Debt by Financing Mechanism, Utility Uses of Debt, and Water Authority CIP Update.

Deputy County Administrator Flores discussed change orders, timeframe, threshold, February 25, 2020 Regular Meeting, and change memo.

Susan Gervais, Clerk of Court Finance Director replied to utility bonds.

Craig Rudy, Utilities Director responded to Water Master Plan, R&R, Wastewater Expansion, Ackerman, funds, Waterside, wastewater testing, debt, and maintenance.

COMMISSIONER DOHERTY MOVED TO APPROVE CHARLOTTE COUNTY FINANCIAL RESERVE POLICY AGREEMENT 2020-008, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

2. Utility Update

Mr. Rudy gave a brief overview of Agenda, Monthly Purchases from Water Authority, Average Gallons / Day Purchased from Water Authority, Water Produced at Burnt Store, Burnt Store Average Gallons / Day Produced, East Port Water Reclamation Facility Percent of Capacity, Burnt Store Water Reclamation Facility Percent of Capacity, Rotonda Water Reclamation Facility Percent of Capacity, West Port Water Reclamation Facility Percent of Capacity, Reclaimed Use, Engineering Projects, Call Center Data, New Connections, Active Connections, Loans, Loan Default Rate, Consent Order, and responded to Board inquiries.

Chair Truex spoke to East Port Reclamation Facility Percent of Capacity and Loan Default Rate. **Commissioner Constance** commented on Average Gallons / Day Purchased from Water Authority and East Port Water Reclamation Facility Percent of Capacity. **Commissioner Doherty** discussed East Port Water Reclamation Facility Percent of Capacity. **Commissioner Tiseo** mentioned Loan Default Rate.

3. Utility Project Update

Mr. Rudy gave a brief presentation of Loveland, El Jobean, West County Water, Olean / Aaron / Gertrude, U.S. 41 Water Replacement, Ackerman, East Port Expansion, Burnt Store Expansion, Harborview Road, U.S. 41 Sewer, Area 1, Area 2, Area 3, Area 4, Area 5, and responded to Board inquiries.

Chair Truex noted Loveland, Harborview Road, and U.S. 41 Sewer. **Commissioner Constance** spoke to Harborview Road and U.S. 41 Sewer. **Commissioner Doherty** commented on Harborview Road and U.S. 41 Sewer. **Commissioner Tiseo** discussed U.S. 41 Sewer.

COMMISSIONER TISEO MOVED TO APPROVE US 41 SEWER EXPANSION STAFF RECOMMENDATION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DOHERTY

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

4. Uniform Extension Policy (UEP) Update

Mr. Rudy gave a brief overview of List of Major Changes, Meter Method, Fees Due & Credit, UEP Way Ahead, and responded to Board inquiries.

Chair Truex mentioned Meter Method, Fees Due & Credit, and UEP Way Ahead. **Commissioner Constance** noted Meter Method. **Commissioner Deutsch** spoke to Meter Method. **Commissioner Doherty** commented on Meter Method, Fees Due & Credit, and UEP Way Ahead. **Commissioner Tiseo** discussed Meter Method and Fees Due & Credit.

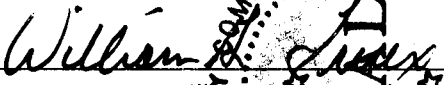
5. City of Punta Gorda Septic to Sewer


Howard Kunik, Punta Gorda City Manager gave a brief overview of Objective, Background, City Request to County, Utility Service Area, Prioritized Areas, Gravity System Breakdown of Costs, Vacuum System Breakdown of Costs, Gravity versus Vacuum Subsidy, Financing Assumptions, Project Areas 1 - 3 Developed vs. Vacant Lots, Project Funding (Gravity Sewer Installation), Project Funding (Gravity Sewer) - Developed Properties Only, Project Funding (Vacuum Sewer Installation), Project Funding (Vacuum Sewer) - Development Properties Only, Customer Affordability, Conclusion, and responded to Board inquiries.

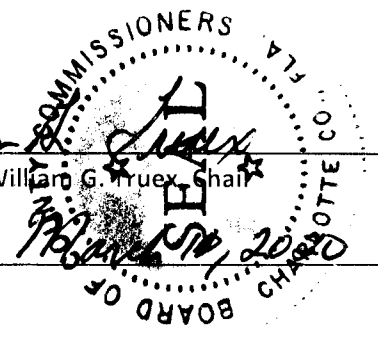
Chair Truex mentioned utilities, service area, unincorporated Charlotte County, funding, Municipal Service Benefit Unit (MSBU) hearings, assessments, vacuum systems, maintenance, improvements, scoring, repaving, East/West Spring Lake, Tallahassee, septic to sewer conversion program, and 20 year Master Plan. **Commissioner Constance** noted funding, data, project integration, sewer program, ratepayers, utility, taxpayer dollars, assessment, repaving, Harbor Boulevard, Olean Boulevard, JonesEdmunds, Master Plan, and Tallahassee. **Commissioner Deutsch** spoke to water quality, septic to sewer, City of Punta Gorda, and Charlotte County Airport. **Commissioner Doherty** discussed Master Plan, JonesEdmunds, area scoring, data, septic to sewer, cost, subsidy, Charlotte Park, Vacuum System Breakdown of Costs, MSBU, East/West Spring Lake, utility, tax payer dollars, general revenue, and work scope. **Commissioner Tiseo** mentioned Sewer Master Expansion Plan, permit, Environmental Management Agreement, FDEP, funding, Utility Service Area, MSBU, contribution, Project Funding (Vacuum Sewer Installation), and deferral.

Mr. Rudy responded to subsidy, RESTORE (Resources and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities, and Revived Economies) Act, funding, ad valorem funds, scoring, and MSBU.

ADJOURNED: 5:01 pm



William G. Truex, Chair
DATE ADOPTED:  18 February 2020



ATTEST:

ROGER D. EATON, CLERK
OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND
EX-OFFICIO OF THE BOARD
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

By 

Deputy Clerk