

CHARLOTTE COUNTY COMMISSION CHAIR BILL TRUEX

Greatest challenges and priorities for 2017:

“As we look to 2017 Charlotte County will continue to focus on water quality issues through our **sewer** expansion program and will continue to strive for equitable, affordable approaches for our community. We have seen results from recent research how septic systems are affecting our water quality in and around Charlotte Harbor and I identify with the fact that tourism, especially fishing in our harbor, provide a large source of income to our community business owners.

“We are also diligently working with Western Michigan University to assist them in getting their doors open for 2017 and will continue to work with WMU as may be needed to see a successful expansion of the 23 planned programs for Charlotte County. This opportunity will lead us into a more successful future by developing local talent, providing an affordable option for their education and drawing the attention of business looking to expand in Southwest Florida.

“We will also continue to work towards more development within Murdock Village, returning more of the property to the tax rolls, providing for more business development and job opportunities.

“I will continue to serve on the many committees I am assigned but particularly the Tourism Development Council, Public Safety Coordinating Council and Charlotte Harbor Behavioral Health Advisory Committee to work with stakeholders and citizens to provide best practices for addressing tourism growth and opportunities and behavioral health and substance abuse issues respectfully.

“Though there will be many issues to address through 2017, some just as important as those mentioned herein, these are at the forefront.”

