

BOCA GRANDE STREET & DRAINAGE UNIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
October 11, 2012
10:00 a.m. in the Boca Grande Board Room

Attendees: Tony Ackerman, Patrick Bell, Richard Morrison, and Neal Rietz

Absent: Bill Kunklar (excused), and Harold Wells (excused)

County: Judith Nothdurft and Sandy Wright

Guests: Conny Spurfield (USDA) and Mist Nichols

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

There are no vacancies on the Committee at this time. Mr. Kunklar will not be applying for reappointment when his term expires in February 2013.

Minutes: Meeting minutes from the April 20, 2012 meeting were unanimously approved as written.

- Election of officers - Mr. Bell nominated Dr. Morrison as Chair. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Reitz. Dr. Morrison accepted the nomination. Mr. Bell nominated Mr. Reitz as vice chair. The nomination was seconded by Dr. Morrison. Mr. Reitz accepted the nomination.

Unfinished Business:

- USDA Iguana Contract – The Fiscal Services Department is waiting on the last invoice for iguana control to close out the 2011/2012 fiscal year. Dr. Morrison made a motion to increase the current 9 month contract to a 12 month contract during fiscal year 2013/2014. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bell and passed unanimously. An assessment rate increase may be required to fund the 12 month iguana contract; if so, a public outreach campaign will be needed. Ms. Spurfield from the USDA is in the process of acquiring new 12A Forms from residents. The forms must be renewed every 5 years to allow her access onto private property to capture iguanas. The GIBA property belongs to the Bridge Authority and is not covered by the MSBU contract. Mr. Bell will follow up with Jim Cooper at the Bridge Authority regarding the iguanas and the possibility of a separate contract. A slide show was presented regarding the number of iguanas that are coming ashore.

New Business:

- Activity Report – Distributed for Committee review.
- Budget Process – Next year will begin a two-year budget cycle. Changes will not be allowed unless there is an emergency. Ms. Nothdurft reviewed the sequence of events for the draft budgets and stated the outreach will need to be complete by March 2013. She will research how emergencies will be handled.
- There was discussion regarding drainage issues; there is nothing to report on the Charlotte side of the island.
- The status of the derelict building was discussed. Ms. Nothdurft advised the Committee to contact the Code Enforcement Department directly for an update.

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Citizen Input:

- Ms. Nichols complimented the flail mowing that was done along the bike path.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday January 31, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in the Boca Grande Board Room.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

Submitted by:



Sandy Wright

Public Works Department