

MEETING MINUTES
CHARLOTTE RANCHETTES STREET & DRAINAGE UNIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
March 19, 2015 – Regular Meeting
9:00 a.m. – Public Works Conference Room

Attendees: Doug Buuck, Joe Dutton, Victor Dudash, and Charles Rinehart

County staff: Mike Dallenbach, Kelly Louttit, John Elias, and Dawn Harrison

Guests: Sign-in sheet attached

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am. A roll call was taken that determined a quorum was present.

The minutes from January 8, 2015 were unanimously approved as written.

Citizen Input on Agenda Items Only (3 Minute Limit):

- Nigel Morris stated the hole by Clark and Allen needs to be repaired. Mr. Dallenbach will pass street location to Tim Free.

New Business:

- Financial Report: Ms. Harrison provided the 3 month actual report for committee review.
- Activity Report: Ms. Harrison provided the Activity Report for committee review. Ms. Harrison stated there is a Street sign request from Ms. Summers for Alfred and Clara. The committee is opposed to any additional signs. Mr. Dutton will contact Ms. Summers to advise her of the committee's decision for sign placement.
- Work Plan cost review and scheduling- Mr. Dallenbach advised the committee of bid costs from Gator Contracting and Paving LLC. Bid specifics and material costs were discussed. Ms. Harrison suggested reducing the area to maintain reserves for later. Budget for grading is \$150,000. Committee will do a field inspection to review conditions of roadways. The meeting will be held on Tuesday April 7, 2015 4:30pm at Mr. Buuck residence 6405 Austrian Blvd. Punta Gorda FL 33955.
- Discussion of Swiss Blvd. work completed by the Charlotte County Public Works- Mr. Dallenbach will have the work scheduled. Discussion took place on occurrence of maintenance and base materials. If the county has not been out 3 times since the vote then the committee would like to proceed with the work otherwise no additional work is authorized.
- Discussion of back yard ditch cleaning and maintenance (Dudash)- Mr. Dudash advised two residents in his area have filled the swales; blocking drainage. He would like information on the statues or procedures the County has implemented. Mr. Elias discussed complexity of the issue of backyard ditches. The properties in question are privately owned so the County would not be involved. Mr. Elias suggested Mr. Dudash contact South West Florida Water Management District. Mr. Elias will investigate the appropriate contact for SWFWMD and provide Mr. Dudash the information.
- South County Drainage District – cross ditch cleaning: Mr. Buuck asked about drain cleaning. Mr. Elias stated if the area is on private property the county would not be involved unless the County has a drainage and utility easement. Mr. Szuba has investigated the area and there are no easements available.
- Election of Chairman: Mr. Buuck nominated Mr. Rhinehart; Mr. Rinehart accepted; passed unanimously.

Advisory Committee members open discussion:

- Mr. Rinehart discussed increased traffic involving dirt bikes and all-terrain vehicles. Illegal dumping is prevalent in the area.
- Mr. Buuck stated on the corner of Grove and Popular a new resident put a berm to be used for a shooting range. The culvert on Popular and Austrian has a flow issue. Mr. Rhinehart stated the culvert issue will be addressed after the grading is complete.
- Mr. Dallenbach reviewed an email from Ms. Lisby suggesting the committee may need to propose an increase in the area to meet the grading demand in future years.
- Discussion continued on contract pricing and materials being used for the road.

Citizen Input on MSBU Related Items Only (3 Minute Limit):

- None

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 21, 2015 at 9:00 am, in the Public Works Conference Room.

The meeting adjourned at 10:25 am.



Kelly Louttit
Public Works Department

