

MEETING MINUTES
GULF COVE STREET AND DRAINAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
October 30, 2006
9:30 a.m.

Attendance: Present - Tony Hofstede, John Killeen, Claire Kuhlman,
Randy Roberson
County - Tara Musselman, Barry DeMello, Alan Holbach, Gregg
O'Connor
Absent – Bette Lyttle

Minutes: Ms. Kuhlman requested that the minutes from August 1, 2006, be revised to include the discussion about the budget reduction. Mr. Killeen made a motion to approve the revised minutes. Motion carried.

The Chairwoman called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

Business:

- **Brush Cutting** - Mr. DeMello gave an update on the drainage project. He stated that Phases 4 and 5 have been started, along with a line and grade on Neville Terrace. He stated he will schedule a contractor after January for brush cutting. The Committee agreed to begin the brush cutting in Sections 1, 3, and 4, with more being done if the money is available. The Committee has received complaints about the brush cutting on Proctor Avenue. There was discussion about the drainage problem on Gillot Boulevard, down to David Boulevard and Norlander Drive. Mr. DeMello stated he is aware of the problem.
- **Activity Reports** - Ms. Musselman said the Activity Reports for September will be sent to the Committee. Mr. Killeen stated they need help identifying the abbreviations on the activity reports. Ms. Musselman informed the Committee that we are in the process of getting a new computer system that will generate new reports.
- **December Meeting** - Ms. Musselman said that the December meeting is scheduled strictly to prepare the 2007/08 Budget. She told members to think about the work that needs to be done during that budget cycle.
- **Landscaping** – The Committee introduced Bob Brown, who presented two plans for landscaping on Gillot Boulevard. Mr. Brown's first plan is to curb the median strip and plant trees down the center. His second plan is to eliminate the median and plant trees down the sides of the road. Mr. Holbach stated that traffic safety needs to be the main concern. In regard to the first plan, he said the trees in the center need to be curbed. For the second plan, the trees planted along the side of the road need to be seven feet back for line-of-sight concerns, and only certain trees can be planted. Also, planting trees in the right-of-way could impede drainage in the swales. The Committee stated that the residents' main concern is that the curbs in the center will be a problem for emergency vehicles.

Mr. Holbach stated they can add additional cuts to allow more thru traffic. Box-type curbing will prevent motorists from driving over the curbs. Mr. Hofstede stated the roads are not very wide, and residents back out and into the median, plowing over the trees. Ms. Musselman suggested a consensus from the residents to determine which plan to use. Mr. Holbach suggested conducting a review and submitting the results to the Committee prior to seeking a consensus from the residents. The Committee inquired about the watering of the trees. Mr. Holbach stated that Public Works has two water trucks available.

- **Entrance Sign** - Ms. Kuhlman discussed the sign at the entrance. Ms. Musselman informed the Committee that Mr. O'Connor (Landscaping Project Manager) has looked at the sign and will determine the best options. The Committee stated that the sidewalk was originally stopped because of cost and safety issues, but they would like to have it finished. The Committee requested an estimate on sidewalks for both sides of the entryway. Mr. Roberson was designated the main contact person to meet with Public Works.
- **Early Waterway** - Mr. Roberson discussed cutting the brush along the Early Waterway. Ms. Musselman stated that this will need to be done by the West County Stormwater Committee. This project could be funded by this Committee for next year.

Open Floor:

- **Frank Riley** – Mr. Riley, who resides at 3036 Montgomery Drive, stated that he is having drainage problems in his swale. He has had several permits denied and he had the swale dug deeper, and now it is a stream. Mr. Holbach explained that the R.O.W Department has set elevations and, when the swales get built up, the elevations change. Mr. DeMello will check into this.
- **Bill Pittman** – Mr. Pittman, who resides at the corner of 2909 Montgomery Drive and Vans Terrace, stated that the water tower is draining into his swale, and it has animals in it.
- **Stephanie Mulway** – Ms. Mulway, who resides at Farley Road, stated that only half the dirt was removed from her swale, and Farley Road and Churchill dams up. Ms. Mulway stated there are two to three foot swales on Farley Road. Mr. DeMello stated the pipes need replaced. Ms. Musselman suggested eliminating swaled intersections. Mr. Holbach stated that a line and grade needs to be done.

- **Public Hearings** - Ms. Musselman stated that, during the Public Hearings, the residents stood up before the Board of County Commissioners and stated that Gulf Cove does not have any drainage problems. This MSBU lost \$200,000 without the proposed increase, which affects the amount of drainage work that can be done.
- **2009 Paving** - Mr. Roberson asked if the paving that is scheduled for 2009 will be pushed back, due to the lack of money. Ms. Musselman informed him that it all depends on what is done with the budget.
- **Al Benedetti** – He suggested the landscaping be done in the first section and not in the second section, due to the amount of homes.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

The Next Scheduled Meetings:

Monday, December 18, 2006, at 9:30 am at the Hope Lutheran Church
Monday, January 29, 2007, at 9:30 am at the Hope Lutheran Church
Monday, April 30, 2007, at 9:30 am at the Hope Lutheran Church
Monday, July 30, 2007, at 9:30 am at the Hope Lutheran Church
Monday, October 29, 2007, at 9:30 am at the Hope Lutheran Church

Respectfully submitted,

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