

MEETING MINUTES
Gulf Cove Street and Drainage Advisory Committee
October 18, 2012
5:00pm at Hope Lutheran Church

Attendees: Larry Singleton, Jose Subero, Richard Van Acker, and Ron Wozniak

Absent: Ron Kubala (excused)

County staff: Judith Nothdurft, and Sandy Wright,

The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m. and a roll call of members was taken.

The minutes from the June 21, 2012 meeting were unanimously approved as written.

Member Status was reviewed. There is one vacancy for an alternate member. Mr. Van Acker questioned the appointment of Mr. Kubala as a regular member on July 10, 2012. He stated he didn't hear it when listening. Ms. Wright will research and report back to the Committee.

Unfinished Business:

- Alternate Member Responsibility – Ms. Nothdurft explained that an alternate member may fill in with full voting rights of a regular member any time a regular member is absent. They may continue to fill in until the regular member returns. This information was different from what was previously stated. When the MSBU ordinances are reviewed, this information will be included in each ordinance to eliminate any future confusion.
- Road Paving Project – Ms. Nothdurft distributed maps and schedules for the paving project to the Committee and citizens for review and questions. There are 4 sections within Gulf Cove Street & Drainage Unit. Work is scheduled to begin in January. Weather is a determining factor on the start date, a lot of rain can cause delays. The whole project should take close to a year. The Contractor information is on the County Website. The project manager can answer specific questions regarding the project. The following questions are being researched by Ms. Nothdurft:
 1. How far in advance of the work on a road will the residents be notified?
 2. What type of information will be on the door hangers?
 3. How soon after paving can the road can be driven on?

There was discussion regarding the difference between the estimates of the cost of the paving. Mr. Wozniak stated that it happened over years and it was understood that a loan for \$7.3 million would require some streets to be eliminated from this paving plan.

There was discussion regarding the swales being graded before the paving starts. Mr. Van Acker stated that the pipes have been installed and the public should contact Maintenance & Operations to report areas of concern regarding drainage. Customer Service magnets were passed out.

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New Business:

- Mr. Nothdurft will follow up with Mr. Kubala regarding his questions about the drainage on tip lots to get clarification.
- Cul-de-sac Radius – Can the radius of the cul-de-sacs be addressed at the same time the paving is done? Ms. Nothdurft stated that there would be a cost involved and the Committee would have to approve for the work to be done. A change order to the original contract would have to be submitted. The Committee agreed that before approving to spend money, they would like to Ms. Nothdurft to ask Engineering if resurfacing will repair the problem. Ms. Nothdurft will follow up and report back.
- Activity Report – Ms. Nothdurft distributed the activity report for review and questions. There are two driveway pipes that were replaced. Mr. Van Acker stated that funding is the responsibility of the homeowner not the MSBU. Ms. Nothdurft will follow up and report back.
- Ms. Nothdurft explained that next year is the beginning of a new 2 year budget cycle. Any projects that the Committee may want over the next 2 fiscal years of 2013/2014 and 2014/2015 will need to be planned for. The preliminary budgets are due to Finance in January. The draft budgets will be returned to the Committee in March to review before they get submitted to the Board of County Commissioners for approval. No changes will be allowed to the budgets once they are approved unless there is an emergency.
- Mr. Singleton stated that the Gulf Cove Waterway MSBU collects an assessment every year even when a dredging project is not underway. This allows the funds to build up and be used when dredging is required, without having to apply for a loan. He suggested this Committee consider following the same process. After the paving loan is paid off, instead of lowering the assessment, continue collecting and saving to eliminate the need for future loans.

Citizen Input:

- Residents living on roads that are removed from the paving plan should not have to pay the assessments. It is not fair that they pay for services that they are not going to benefit from. Mr. Wozniak stated that all roads will be paved eventually. The roads that are not paved during this initial project will be the first ones to be paved in a second project. There is no current plan for the second group of roads to be paved; it will depend on when this loan is paid off.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 10, 2013 at 5:00pm at the Hope Lutheran Church.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Submitted by:



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