

MEETING MINUTES
Gulf Cove Street and Drainage Advisory Committee
June 20, 2013 – Regular Meeting
5:00pm at Hope Lutheran Church

Attendees: Ron Kubala, Jose Subero and Richard Van Acker

Absent: Larry Singleton (excused)

County staff: Tim Free, Judith Nothdurft and Sandy Wright

Guests: Sign-in sheet attached

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 p.m.

A roll call of members was taken that determined a quorum is present.

Member status was reviewed; there are two vacancies. One application has been received and scheduled for appointment at the next BCC meeting on 6-25-13.

The minutes from the March 14, 2013 meeting were unanimously approved as written.

Unfinished Business:

- Cul-de-sac Radius – Mr. Kubala met with M&O to inspect the cul-de-sacs. The Engineering Department recommended not doing anything at this time, however, the sub-contractor did increase the road base by 2 feet on the back end of the islands. This should hold up until the next time the roads are paved. The Committee is pleased with the outcome. There was discussion regarding Waste Management using smaller trucks instead of the big ones. Mr. Kubala stated that the small trucks are being phased out within the next year. There was discussion regarding the trucks backing down the streets to eliminate the need to turn in the cul-de-sac. Ms. Nothdurft will follow up and report back.
- Drainage at Tip Lots – Mr. Free explained the estimate that he prepared and distributed to the members. The estimate is for all the drainage line & grade from the cul-de-sac tip lots back to the first outfall. The estimate included 217,600 SF of swale at a cost of \$182,784 for labor and \$28,288 for sod for a total of \$211,072. There was extensive discussion regarding swales that collect water. Mr. Free explained that swales were designed to hold water. If water stands for more than 72 hours after a rain event, then it should be reviewed. If there is no water on the roads or in the yards, the swales are doing what they were designed to do. The Committee agreed to create a list of the trouble areas to submit to M&O for review. There is funding in the budget for line and grades. Survey shots can be done but must be approved by the Committee for payment. Mr. Free suggested the list be provided to M&O to create an estimate of costs then the Committee can decide how to proceed.
- Gulf Cove Waterway – There was discussion regarding a letter received from Mr. Joswiak regarding raising the outfalls to prevent fertilizers from draining into the Myakka River. Ms. Nothdurft read the letter (attached) to the Committee members and conveyed the response received from Ms. Vernon in the Engineering Department. Ms. Vernon stated this could not be done without a permit. It would mean that water would be held in the swales until it infiltrated into the ground. Ditch blocks have been installed in other locations and received many complaints from residents. Other options can be researched to improve water quality if funding is available and if it is determined that there is a water quality problem.
- New Pavement Edge Breaking – Ms. Nothdurft reported the intersection of Gillot & Kendall needed a pavement edge patched. Engineering reported no such street. The Committee corrected the location to Gillot & Cannon. Mr. Van Acker provided a CD with 7 other locations that need attention by the paving contractor. There are locations that have as much as 6-10 inches of pavement breaking off at the edges of the roadway. Ms. Nothdurft will forward the information to Engineering.

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- Road Crowns - The issue regarding the crowns in the roads was reported to Engineering Department and inspected. No issues were found. The Committee requested that Mr. Layport attend the next meeting to discuss issues with the paving.
- West Charlotte Stormwater Utility Joint Meeting – Mr. Van Acker reported that it was an informative meeting that discussed the responsibilities of the MSBUs. The backyard ditches throughout Gulf Cove are maintained by M & O and funded by the Stormwater unit. The Stormwater unit is modifying their ordinance to further clarify what the Unit covers.
- Activity Report Question - Ms. Nothdurft distributed a map of Work Zones to the members in response to a zone 44 question from the last meeting.
- Brush Cutting – There was discussion regarding the estimate created by M&O for brush cutting and removal that should be initiated as soon as possible. M&O will request a contractor quote and the feasibility of it being incorporated into the next 2 year budget cycle. Ms. Nothdurft will follow up with both M&O and Finance Departments to see when it can be implemented and will report back.

New Business:

- Mr. Subero reported that one day after his street (Holbein St.) was paved; there were cracks in the center of the road. He provided a photo of the cracks which will be forwarded to the Engineering Dept.
- Activity Report for 3/1/13 thru 5/31/13 – Distributed for review and questions.
- The POA would like to put Committee Member Contact information on their website.

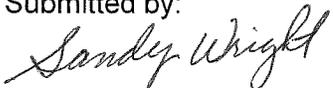
Citizen Input:

- There was further discussion regarding the paving project. The door hangers that were put on doors were put on in January on some streets that are still not paved. Why is the time between the door hanger and the actual road paving so long? Some houses didn't get door hangers at all and the street has been done. Warning signs would solve the notification problem. The contractor seems to be hopping around a lot causing some roads to sit with the base torn up for days and weeks.
- There was discussion regarding the paving crew leaving behind the trash from their lunches. The POA member will speak with the supervisor regarding this issue.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 17, 2013 at 4:00p.m. at the Hope Lutheran Church.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Submitted by:



Sandy Wright
Public Works Department

