

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**Gulf Cove Street and Drainage Advisory Committee**  
**February 26, 2015 – Regular Meeting**  
**4:00pm - Hope Lutheran Church Meeting Room**

**Attendees:** Ron Kubala, Franz Leppla, and Richard Van Acker  
**Absent:** David Cormier (excused)  
**County staff:** Judith Nothdurft, Karly Greene, Kelly Louttit, Venkat Vattikuti, Richard Allen and Lorenzo Daetz  
**Guests:** Sign-in sheet attached

The meeting was called to order at 4:14 p.m. A roll call of members was taken that determined a quorum was present.

The minutes from the October 22, 2014 meeting were unanimously approved as written.

Elect Chair and Vice Chair - Mr. Van Acker motioned to keep officers the same. Mr. Kubala and Mr. Van Acker accepted the nomination to be Chair and Vice Chair respectively.

**Citizen Input on Agenda Items Only: (3 Minute Limit)** - None

**Unfinished Business:**

- Gulf Cove Entrance Pedestrian Safety Issue – Mr. Vattikuti provided an update and aerial map. FDOT does not currently have a project in this area. He explained the request of guardrail movement and advised two options: realign guardrail and replace curved pattern or take curved portion and add straight guardrail. The costs will be approximately five to ten thousand dollars. Mr. Van Acker asked about the sidewalk. Mr. Vattikuti advised sidewalk costs are not included. Ms. Nothdurft advised there is no funding available in the budget. Discussion ensued. Mr. Leppla motioned to bring Holden Street guardrail into compliance with the state, seconded by Mr. Van Acker and the motion passed unanimously. Mr. Nothdurft will present to Fiscal Services regarding budgeting.
- Waste Management Trucks-Cul-de-sacs – Turning radius around the cul-de-sac to prevent damage was discussed. Mr. Van Acker suggested a smaller truck be used in the area and stated the county should coordinate with Waste Management. Mr. Allen, Solid Waste Operations Manager, stated there will be a cost and efficiencies impact associated with a smaller truck. He said the matter can be discussed at the upcoming rate case. Mr. Daetz explained the use of smaller trucks on the bridge are due to the weight limit. Mr. Allen and Mr. Daetz have done a detailed investigation since the complaints. No tire tracks were found to be from Waste Management trucks. Mr. Van Acker disagreed. Road requirements were discussed when the roads were designed. Mr. Daetz will provide weight of trucks, photos, as well as the road specifications to the committee. Joanna Dearborn inquired about the costs to change the cul-de-sacs. Mr. Vattikuti stated no cul-de-sacs would be changed. Discussion ensued. Mr. Kubala discussed road base, truck turning radius, and possibly using flexible poles for turning assistance, or line striping for guidance. Mr. Kubala suggested tabling the discussion to the following meeting.
- Gulf Cove Drainage Pipe Cleaning – Estimate – Ms. Nothdurft discussed general information on culvert cleaning costs. Twelve culverts a day would cost approximately \$1740, which does not include supervision. Ms. Nothdurft conveyed there was approximately \$270,000 for maintenance in the budget for FY15, but the exact amount still available needs to be determined. Mr. Kubala advised he wants the committee to make a decision after being provided all the information.
- Paving Complete – Ms. Nothdurft advised all paving was complete. Mr. Kubala asked if the contractors were paid. Ms. Nothdurft affirmed she will check on payment information and email committee.
- Citizen Drainage Concerns – William Rickard, 5306 Forbes Terrace stated since repaving occurred, he has had drainage issues at his residence.
- Brush Cutting/Herbicide Test Area Results – Ms. Nothdurft conveyed no results are available.

- Tree Canopy Trimming – in reference to the cul-de-sac streets there is major overgrowth in roadways. Mr. Kubala requested to table until the next meeting.

**New Business:**

- Financial History/Year End Financials FY13/14 – Ms. Nothdurft suggested emailing her questions.
- Financial History/3 Month Actual FY14/15 – Ms. Nothdurft suggested emailing her questions.
- Activity Report (10/1/14-1/31/15) – Ms. Nothdurft suggested emailing her questions.
- Draft FY2016 & FY 2017 Budgets – Ms. Nothdurft advised no new projects should be added to the FY 2016 and FY 2017 draft budgets.

**Open Discussion:**

Ms. Wirth, President of Property Owners of Gulf Cove, Inc. is still getting calls on mowing regarding front entrance by the guardrail. Ms. Nothdurft advised she has checked with the contract specialist and it is a State Contractor. Mr. Vattikuti advised the referenced area of concern is a county right of way. Ms. Nothdurft will follow-up.

**Citizen Input for MSBU Related Items: (3 Minute Limit)**

- Mr. Leppla expressed concern it has 5 months since the last meeting. He requested a copy of stormwater map. Mr. Leppla advised major drainage issues at the Gilbert residence which is in the area of Foresman Blvd. and Holton Terrace. Public Works has investigated the area and determined the design is sufficient. Ms. Nothdurft provided an update on the storm water map to Mr. Leppla.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 4 pm at Hope Lutheran Church.

The meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

Submitted by:

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**CHARLOTTE COUNTY  
PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION  
GULF COVE STREET AND DRAINAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
ATTENDANCE ROSTER**

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