

MEETING MINUTES
HARBOUR HEIGHTS STREET & DRAINAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
November 28, 2007
11:00 a.m.

Attendees: Vicky Fleming, Maggie Scott, William Moyer, Joan Hayes, Steve Vieira
County - Dawn Harrison, Alan Holbach, Mike Dallenbach, Kim Raymond
Absent - Suzanne Graham

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m.

Minutes: Ms. Fleming requested that the September 20, 2007, minutes be changed on page one, the third bullet, to indicate the Horticulture Society. The Committee unanimously approved the revised minutes.

Old Business:

- Ms. Harrison informed the Committee that Administration and Public Works will have the final decision about responsibility for maintaining medians. Ms. Bacon is concerned that, regardless of the consensus of the residents, the County will decide. Ms. Hayes suggested having the Garden Club continue median maintenance until a decision is made. Ms. Harrison advised that she cannot give permission for residents to work on the medians until such a decision is made.
- Ms. Reimondo advised that the Garden Club had a meeting discussing a possible community work day. She inquired whether the County would assist with safety measures for the workers. Mr. DiPinto stated that any safety measures, such as orange vests and flagmen, would never be enough. He suggested some kind of barrier where the workers are. Ms. Scott suggested that the Sheriff's Office could possibly put a vehicle on site. Mr. Holbach stated that safety work zones are set up for Public Works' crews, but there is no guarantee that an accident will not occur, as this type of work is dangerous. He would like to sit down with the Garden Club and discuss resident complaints about line-of-sight issues. He stated that some vegetation needs adjusting to prevent any issues.
- Mr. Robinett requested speed control devices on Voyageur.
- Mr. Moyer made a motion that Harbour Heights residents and Garden Club members not work in the medians until the County's decision about responsibility for their maintenance. The motion also indicated that the Garden Club will be involved in the decision. Mr. Vieira seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- The Committee reviewed the priority list. Ms. Hayes discussed the tree growing in her catch basin and stated that Public Works just cut the tree off, which will grow back. She added that this catch basin has not been cleaned out since 1999. Mr. Holbach will check into this.

- Fabri- form will be installed on Peace River Drive in February 2008.
- Ms. Fleming said that car carriers (Jergan of Jacksonville), not the air conditioning company, are responsible for knocking down the stop signs at Del Prado.
- There was discussion about the accident involving a car that went into the canal. The MSBU will pay the initial cost of any damages but will be reimbursed by the driver's insurance company.
- The red reflectors are missing from medians cars can cut through. Ms. Harrison will check into this.

New Business:

- Ms. Fleming suggested making the medians shorter on Broadpoint and Sunnybrook to allow access to the store, and at Broadpoint and San Marino.
- Harbour Heights has 27 miles of roads, which could cost approximately \$3 million to pave. Ms. Harrison explained that a loan can be taken out over ten years. Ms. Scott expressed her concern about the increased assessment to each resident. Ms. Harrison will present a more accurate cost once the figures are calculated.
- Ms. Fleming inquired whether the Committee can wait until after January 2008 for the MSBU study results before making a decision on paving. Ms. Harrison advised that she needs to submit a 2008/09 budget before then. She explained that, once the MSBU's combine into three, Harbour Heights can still have an MSBU for beautification. The 2008/09 budget still needs to be established, in case the MSBU conversion changes.
- Ms. Scott made a motion to decrease the assessment rate to 1.00 per linear foot. The motion was seconded; and the Committee voted three against the motion, two for. The motion did not carry.
- Ms. Fleming made a motion to keep the assessment rate the same for 2008/09. Ms. Hayes seconded the motion. Four Committee members voted for the motion, one against. The motion carried.
- The October 2007 Activity Report was submitted to the members.
- There was discussion about more work that needs to be done on the west side of Talbrook Terrace. Ms. Harrison stated that a line and grade (Service Request #36075) is scheduled for the first quarter of 2008.

- Mr. Steve Vieira was appointed by the Board of County Commissioners to replace Mr. Brad Wasmus and to complete his term. Mr. Moyer stated the alternate should have been moved into that position first.

The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, February 13, 2008, at 11:00 a.m. at Public Works, 7000 Florida Street, Punta Gorda.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Harrison
Municipal Services District Representative

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