

MEETING MINUTES
MANASOTA KEY STREET & DRAINAGE MSTU ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Regular Meeting
February 13, 2013
9:00 a.m. – Englewood Beach Villas Conference Room

Attendees: Joan Dunham-Card, Frank Chappell, Toby Delbridge, B.J. Galberaith, and Andy Wing

Absent: Doug Wallace (excused)

County Staff: Dawn Harrison and Sandy Wright

Guests: Sign-in sheet attached

The meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m.

Membership terms were reviewed. This is a full committee with no vacancies.

The minutes from December 12, 2012 were unanimously approved as written at the January meeting.

Old Business:

- Master Plan Design Project – Mr. Green from Weiler Engineering gave an update on the project. Collecting background data is going slower than anticipated. Weiler is developing a survey to hand out to beach goers. The survey will be sent to the project manager to distribute to committee members for review before distribution. Mr. Green accepted an invitation to answer questions on a radio show next week.
- The President of the bike club spoke regarding the rules of the road for bikers. A document (attached to these minutes) was distributed and discussed.
- Lighting - The master plan should address lighting issues so that past mistakes are not repeated. A citizen reported 13 lights are out and agreed to record the pole number on the list that was provided. The list will be forwarded to Public Works to open a work request.

New Business:

- There was discussion regarding a joint South Manasota Key Association (SMKA)/MSTU meeting to gather input from the community regarding desired projects. The Lemon Bay Auditorium may be a possible place to hold the meeting. Mr. Green will coordinate with the project manager to hold the meeting during the week of March 18-22, 2013.
- The Washingtonian palm trees along beach road need to be trimmed.
- There was a request from the VP of the SMKA for the committee to approve \$300 for GIS mapping. The Advisory Board is working on combining the Advisory Code and County Code zoning combined for a tour. MSTU's do not fund zoning; this expenditure does not relate to the purpose of the MSTU. The representative from the Advisory Committee in the Community Development Department may be able to request the maps. Ms. Galberaith will communicate this to the requestor.
- Financial Reports – Reports were distributed for review and questions.
- There was discussion regarding the ordinance and it's unfairness to business owners.

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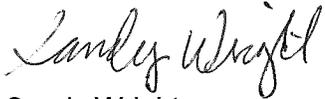
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- Election of Officers – Ms. Galberaith nominated Mr. Chappell as chair; the nomination passed unanimously and was accepted. Mr. Chappell nominated Mr. Delbridge as vice; the nomination passed unanimously and was accepted.
- Fishing Boy Statue – The light on the statue is out. There was discussion regarding the responsibility of the replacement. The maintenance company previously did bulb replacement. There is no longer any money in the budget for the maintenance company. Ms. Harrison will research.
- Mr. Chappell who is on the Board of Directors for the Chamber of Commerce stated there is a strong will to change the name of Englewood to Englewood Beach. He wanted to the Committee to be aware that there has been discussion regarding a name change. He will keep the Committee updated on future discussions.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in the Englewood Beach Villas conference room.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Submitted by:



Sandy Wright
Public Works Department

Florida Bicycle Law Enforcement Guide

When a lane is too narrow for a bicycle and a car to share safely, the cyclist is entitled to the use of the entire lane. Within this lane, the cyclist usually rides on the right half to facilitate visibility for overtaking motorists, but should ride far enough left to discourage motorists from trying to squeeze past within the lane.

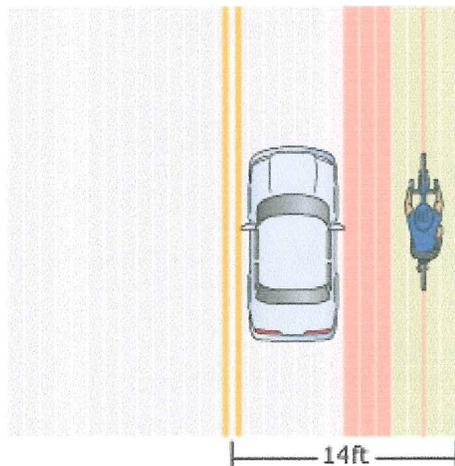
Although the law uses the term "substandard" to describe a lane that is not wide enough to share, these narrow lane-widths make up most of our roads. The less common "standard," wide curb lane is described [below](#).

Wide Curb Lanes (WCLs) Defined

A WCL is a lane wide enough for side-by-side operation. These are typically 14-16 ft wide. The Florida Department of Transportation's Manual of Uniform Minimum Standards recommends an outside lane width of 14 feet as the "minimum width that will allow passenger cars to safely pass bicyclists within a single lane," i.e., without the need for passing motorists to use part of the next lane.

Here's how they get the minimum:

- A cyclist is defined as being 2.5 ft wide with a minimum operating space of 4 ft. This includes the minimum safe distance from the edge of useable pavement (2 ft).
- The legal minimum passing clearance for an overtaking vehicle is 3 ft.
- A typical passenger vehicle is 5.5 ft (car) - 7 ft (SUV) wide.



NOTE: The minimum does not account for commercial vehicles and utility trailers which are 8.5 ft wide and can have mirrors extending to ~10 ft. Those vehicles MUST use part of another lane to pass safely.

