

MEETING MINUTES
ROTONDA WEST STREET & DRAINAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
March 19, 2008
9:30 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

Attendance: Dick Buszka, John Peszko, Charles Dodd,
Absent – Dr. Bill Coy, Olga Durham
County – Tim Free, Joanne Vernon, Tara Musselman, Kim Raymond

Minutes: No minutes were submitted for approval.

Business:

- Tom O’Kane has advised that Public Works will not work on the dam but that work on the greenbelts will be done. Ms. Musselman suggested the Committee put money in reserves in 2008/09 for the greenbelts.
- The President of the Rotonda West Association said there is a leak in the dam, which needs to be the first priority. This has been a problem for years.
- Mr. Peszko stated that the Committee submitted a list of priorities for Rotonda West, and now Public Works is eliminating items.
- Mr. John Carroll inquired why they would delay this, when the money is available now.
- Claudette Ramano said the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) already voted, so the Committee should not have to vote again. This has been in discussion since 2006. Mr. Dodd stated a motion was already passed in a previous meeting regarding the MSBU funding.
- Mr. Dodd made a motion for the Rotonda West MSBU to fund water control structures, greenbelts, and dams. Mr. Peszko seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- Mr. Jay Lyons has spoken with Commissioner Moore, and they concluded that the greenbelts would be done first, but it was never mentioned to forget the dams. He stated that the residents need facts, not opinions. It was stated that the main authorities making the decisions never seem to be in the same room. Mr. Lyons said it is useless to do the greenbelts if we’re not planning to fix the leak in the dam.
- Ms. Musselman advised that \$150,000 will be put aside for the cost of the design and permitting for the south side and the opposite side of the dam (Cape Haze Drive). Ms. Vernon stated that the Stormwater Department will begin the process, and it will take about six months to a year to obtain a design and permit.
- The golf course issue is between the homeowners and the golf course; Public Works is not involved. The residents can speak with Code Enforcement regarding this issue. It was stated at a prior meeting that Public Works was to seek legal advice on this issue.

- Ms. Ramano inquired about the status of the issue at Oakland Hills. Mr. Tim Free received a map from the Survey Department last week and will have copies submitted to the members, the RWA, and the BCC.
- The residents inquired whether an earthen dam (Brass Bridge) can be used as a temporary structure at the same location, until the permanent structure is completed. Ms. Vernon advised that a permit would be needed. She will submit a request to the Department of Environmental Protection.
- The Committee requested an estimated cost for cleaning the greenbelts.
- Mr. John Carroll stated that, if the County can do the greenbelts but cannot do the swales behind the houses abutting the golf course, they are not completely servicing the residents.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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