

MEETING MINUTES
ROTONDA WEST STREET & DRAINAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
November 16, 2010
1:00 pm

Attendance: John Pesko, Dick Buszka, and Scott Schermerhorn
County – Tara Musselman, Joanne Vernon
Absent – Olga Durham, Charles Dodd

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm

Minutes: No minutes were submitted for approval.

Business:

- Mr. Pesko requested updates on the requested projects.
 - **Pathway** - Ms. Musselman stated that she has negotiated a price of \$49,000 for design of the Pathway around Parade Circle. Mr. Schermerhorn made a motion, seconded by Mr. Buszka, to move forward with obtaining BCC approval for the design. Ms. Musselman noted that, once approved by the BCC, it is expected to take seven months for design and construction.
 - **Entryway Signage** - The BCC pulled approval of the entryway signage project. After further investigation, this MSBU does not have the proper language to allow for beautification projects. It is believed that the language was added when the territory amendment ordinance was passed in 2005; however, the necessary language was not included. At this time, we cannot complete any beautification projects to be funded from the Street & Drainage MSBU. There are three options to correct this oversight. The options are to amend the current ordinance to allow for beautification, create a new Beautification MSBU for FY12, or do nothing. It is Ms. Musselman's recommendation that we move forward with requesting amendment of the current ordinance. The Committee agrees that whatever will make this move faster is what should be done.
 - **Sidewalks** – It was requested that Ms. Musselman look into curbing Rebel Court to connect Cougar and Boundary for school safety.
- Mr. Pesko requested that this MSBU start to maintain the canal system. It was noted that it is County runoff water in the system, and the MSBU should maintain it. It is the opinion of some members that there is a drainage problem. This includes additional water, needed dredging, and the need for aquatic growth control. Ms. Musselman noted that she does not believe it can be handled through this MSBU. Years ago, a drainage MSTU was created to maintain the canal system; however, it was never funded. Mr. Lyons noted that the original area did not include canals. The canals were dug during the original development of Rotonda West as a new drainage system. Mr. Lyons questioned who is responsible for maintenance of the approved design. He feels that the drainage is not working from the State lands to Coral Creek. They are concerned that, if there is 8 inches of water in 12 hours, there are areas that will be underwater. Ms. Vernon stated that, if that happens, there will be many areas underwater, as no developments are designed for an 8-inch rain in a 12-hour period. Ms. Vernon will look and see what designs we have. It is believed that SWFMD did a small study for the work that they are doing in the State lands.

- **Weir Update** - Ms. Vernon noted that the first weir has been completed; however, the contractor is still removing the temporary sheet piles. The contractor has mobilized at the second site; however, the contractor is not moving as quickly as we would hope. They are aware that liquidated damages start within the next two weeks. Mr. Lyons wanted to communicate that he has been getting calls about the possibility of raising the height of the weirs. Ms. Vernon noted that, if we do that, the area would flood more. We cannot raise the height of the weir to hold water in and let more water out at the same time. Mr. Lyons agreed and just wanted to pass along the calls that he gets.

Next meeting is scheduled for December 16, 2010.

Meeting adjourned at 2:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara L. Musselman
Municipal Services District Representative