

MEETING MINUTES
SOUTH GULF COVE BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
November 18, 2014 – Regular Meeting
9:30 AM – Building Construction Services Conference Room

Attendees: Bob Dratch, Barbara Hundley, Carol McGuire, Roseann Phillips, Karen Price, and Sandy Slater

County: Mike Dallenbach, Judith Nothdurft, and Sandy Wright

Guests: Sign-in sheet attached

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. A roll call was taken that established a quorum was present.

The minutes from October 29, 2014 were unanimously approved as written.

Citizen Input on Agenda Items Only (3 Minute Limit)

- The Committee agreed to allow more than 3 minutes for Mr. Simeone's presentation on the San Domingo Park Exercise Equipment. His presentation included his involvement with the project and the timeline on how long it has taken to get to this point. It has been 17 months to date. In June, problems were identified that have prevented the equipment from being installed; rubber matting must be installed to meet ADA Requirements. This project installation started at \$5000, then went to \$9000 and is now up to over \$30,000. He is receiving questions from the property owners asking why it took so long to find out about the ADA requirements and why is the county taking so long to make their approvals. He read Charlotte County's mission and vision statements to exceed the expectations in the delivery of public services. The property owners don't feel the county is meeting their expectations.

Unfinished Business:

- San Domingo Park
 1. Exercise Equipment – A cost estimate in the amount of \$30,002.20 from CH Construction Services Inc. was distributed to the members for review and discussion. This proposal does not include the costs associated with the previous PO for CH Construction (PO # 2014003002). The Committee expressed concern over the cost of the estimate which was much higher than anticipated. Ms. Nothdurft reported that the estimate arrived this morning and is being reviewed by County staff to determine which costs are appropriate. The Committee discussed their disappointment in Southwest Engineering, the permitting process, and the remainder of funding available for Southwest Engineering. Mr. Dallenbach suggested future projects be done in a design/build manner rather than piecemeal to eliminate these types of issues. The Committee expressed concern that this estimate doesn't include the cost to install the actual equipment and is incomplete; they want to know the total bottom line. Mr. Dallenbach will follow up to get more details. The Committee suggested having a meeting in December to review all the documentation in hopes of moving the project forward.
 2. Picnic Tables - Ms. Nothdurft reported that Mr. Rainey followed up with the manufacturer regarding the replacement of the picnic table top and hasn't received a response. The Committee requested that Mr. Rainey follow up again so they can get a status update.
- Entryways -
 1. Ingraham Light Repairs – The Christmas decorations will not be put up this year.
- Fruitport & McAllister Parks – Property Exchange - Ms. Nothdurft contacted Real Estate Services to let them know the Committee is interested in pursuing a property exchange program for these parks and is awaiting the response.
- Ms. Price reported using 811 gallons of reused water at the Appleton & CR 771 entrance sign at 10320 Winborough Dr. account #10806127008. The other sites used 1, 3 & 4 gallons. There was discussion regarding the oversight of the irrigation. Mr. O'Connor will be consulted. The bill is typically \$5 or \$7 and now it is \$255.

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- SGC S&D Pathway – Landscape design/cost estimate – Ms. Nothdurft reported that plan updates came in yesterday afternoon and will be sent to the Beautification and the Street & Drainage Committees. The cost of the benches was confirmed and correct. The cost estimate lists \$672 per bench for a total of \$2,016. The Committee questioned if the amount included concrete pads and shipping. Ms. Nothdurft will follow-up with Ms. Musselman. The inclusion of 16 Royal Palms for the two bridges was confirmed. The sub-total for the landscaping portion of the pathway project was \$42,349.95.
- Planning future Beautification Projects: Each member was asked at the last meeting to come to this meeting with a future project list. There was open discussion regarding the lists and the prioritization of future projects as follows:
 - a. Complete San Domingo Park – assume exercise equipment is complete, install restrooms, gazebo with pavers, picnic tables, covering for tables, benches, security lighting, 1 picnic table with a shelter and additional landscaping.
 - b. Landscaping for - 3 bench areas along pathway, 8 Bridge approaches, palm replacements at SGC Entries & CR 771
 - c. St. Paul Linear Park and Learning Garden – the following proposed projects will be forwarded to the SGC Waterway MSBU Advisory Committee for funding consideration.
 1. Linear Park - Install a boardwalk from north of Margo Circle to Seafoam Circle, which is approximately 3,400 feet with access at each end and in the center.
 2. Learning Garden - Install Canoe & Kayak Launches and a “T” pier at the Learning Garden
 - d. Medina Park - Engineering design
 - e. McAllister Park – Tennis and/or pickle ball
 - f. Fruitport Park -
 - g. St Lucia Park -
- There was discussion that the County Attorney’s Office confirmed that the proposed Community Center cannot be funded by SGC Beautification MSBU funding.
- Ms. Nothdurft stated that a decision on a possible rate increase will need to be made as soon as possible; no later than January.

New Business:

- Activity & Financial Reports – Were distributed for review and discussion.

Citizen Input on MSBU Related Items (3 Minute Limit) - None

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday December 11, 2014 at 2:00p.m.

Next meeting agenda:

1. Final exercise equipment installation cost
2. Project planning
3. Rate increase

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Submitted by:



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