

**MEETING NOTES
SOUTH GULF COVE
STREETS AND DRAINAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
February 4, 2010
1:00 p.m.**

Attendees: Tony Emereio, Karen Ireland, Carmine Rossi, and Ron Bick
County - Tara Musselman

Business:

- The Chairman called the meeting to order. All present.
- Budget Discussion – The Chairman asked for a general discussion on the budget, where the money should be spent and how to proceed. It was noted that infrastructure, such as roads and bridges that are needed everyday, should be kept in mind. Beautification within the community, because that is what keeps the people coming in for the next 5 to 10 years. Mowing and trash pick-up should also be considered. Ms. Musselman explained the following line items.
 - Contract Mowing – It was noted that there is a \$20,000.00 increase. Ms. Musselman explained that the contract is currently out to bid and we estimate an increase.
 - MSBU Department Allocation - This is for the MSBU Department and the trim notices.
 - Personal Services - Labor for all work done in-house.
 - Equipment Replacement Charge - Automatic calculation based on the budgeted work plan
 - Tax Collector Fees – We budget between 2-1/2% and 3% of the assessment. The Tax Collector cannot be a revenue producer, and any excess monies are returned the following year.
 - Material - Road and Bridge is basically everything that is used on the roads and bridges with the exception of sod.
- Beautification - It was noted that Beautification is trying to get their own MSBU and that will be great when they do. We still have to maintain what we have already supported. Tara noted that if the County Commissioners do approve a Beautification MSBU, it would be removed from the Streets and Drainage MSBU and they would not be responsible for any funding of it. The right-of-way mowing would still be under Street and Drainage mowing, but not the parks, entryways, or any beautification. Currently, the mangrove trimming is part of the budget, but will eventually become part of the Beautification MSBU.
- San Domingo Park – It was questioned why we would budget for permitting for Santo Domingo when there is no money for it. Tara explained that the original line item was for Santo Domingo design and permitting. Of the \$75,000.00, we will probably use \$35,000.00 now to get construction and phase documents, and the rest will be used to get the permits as the permits are good for 5 or 7 years. Tara explained she met with David and the Beautification Committee this

morning. It was decided that if the new MSBU passes, the rate could be put at \$25.00. There would be enough money to maintain what we currently have and do Phase 1 of Santo Domingo Park. Tara noted she is proceeding with the budget as if they were still funding the beautification. She is also going to do a budget for the new MSBU.

- Tony asked the Committee if they felt more funds could be allocated for Beautification out of this year's current budget. It was felt that with the close timing, it would not be feasible to get anything through quick enough. It was decided to stay with the budget as it stands now and review it when more information becomes available. Tara stated that as soon as the budget is entered into the computer and done, she will e-mail it out to the Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

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