

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**SOUTH GULF COVE NON-URBAN STREET & DRAINAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**September 13, 2012**  
**9:00 a.m. – San Casa Conference Room**

**Attendees:** Paul Chattinger, Tony Ermirio, Karen Ireland, and Carmine Rossi

**Absent:** Jeanne Keyser (excused)

**County:** Judith Nothdurft, Sandy Wright, and Barry DeMello

The meeting was called to order at 9:07 a.m.

**Minutes:** The minutes from the May 31, 2012 meeting were unanimously approved as written.

**Business:**

- Speed Limit on Calumet –The Engineering Department is working on a County-wide ordinance and any changes requested will have to wait until after the ordinance is complete and approved. There was discussion regarding resident complaints about speeding. The residents have requested that the speed be reduced. Mr. Rossi made a motion that a temporary 40 mph speed limit sign be installed as you come off of San Domingo and go left onto Calumet. This will properly post the speed limit until such time that the study is complete. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chattinger and passed unanimously. This is the only section of road within South Gulf Cove that has a 40 mph speed limit and should be posted so motorists are aware of the difference in speed.
- Pipe Replacement – Mr. DeMello reported that the pipe replacement project is complete.
- Activity Report – The report was distributed for review and discussion. Mr. DeMello explained the Bridge Maintenance charges. The following questions will be researched:
  1. Contract Mowing inspections
  2. Herbicide locations
  3. Sign Inspection hours
  4. Sign Maintenance hours
- The grass is still high in areas after the mowing is done. The mowers are going too fast or they need to lower their blades. This will be reported to Maintenance and Operations.
- The additional mowing cycle was added to the Budget. The new contract went out for bid and a selection has been made but has not yet been presented to the Board of County Commissioners. The cost per cycle for mowing is \$6000 and \$1000 for litter removal. This cost is less than last year. Details can be viewed on the County website under Contract number 12-404. Mr. Ermirio stated that the 5 miles stretch of road along SR771 from San Domingo to Appleton will be funded by Roads & Bridges with Gas Tax Funds and there will be no charge to this MSBU.
- The ditch cleaning between Orbit and San Domingo will be contracted out which should allow better drainage and ultimately resolve some of the standing water issues. The County's equipment may be able to take care of the area between San Domingo to Ingram. This will be charged to the West County Stormwater Utility. If this Committee would like more information, Ms. Vernon will be speaking about the subject at the next West County Stormwater Utility Advisory Committee meeting.
- Mr. DeMello received a request for South Gulf Cove drainage plans. There are over 400 pages of information and there is an outfall at each 4-way intersection. Ms. Ireland stated that the Neighborhood Watch Volunteers were asked to report any areas of concern and she has not heard from anyone.

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- Maintenance was performed on the locks and they will be down either next week or the week after to enable the electrician time to make the necessary repairs caused during Tropical Storm Debby when everything was under water. The date and time will be advertised in the paper. Ms. Ireland asked for Mr. Bick to be notified so that he can help with the notifications to the community.
- There was discussion regarding walkways/bike paths and who is responsible for funding such projects. There is a joint MSBU meeting scheduled for October 16, 2012 in room B106 of the Administration Building. The Beautification Committee and this Committee will meet to discuss updating the ordinances in an effort to clarify the responsibilities of each MSBU. Ms. Nothdurft distributed a copy of a draft Ordinance. The Committee made some changes to the document. Ms. Nothdurft will update the document prior to its distribution at the joint meeting. Mr. Rossi stated that he is pleased with this progress stating it has been a long time coming.
- The Committee had requested an estimate on the walkways/bike paths but it was put on hold until it was clear who would be paying for these types of projects. The Committee would like to move forward with the estimate regardless of who pays for it to enable them to discuss if they have funds available to do this type of work and the possibility of doing it in phases. This will be reviewed from a safety stand point. The Engineering Department will be asked to provide an estimate.

### **New Business:**

- Mr. Ermirio stated was approached by a resident whose home was broken into and who asked about installing a light at Welsford and Scooby at pole number 536375540. There are requirements that must be met. If the requirements are not met the resident can agree to pay for the installation themselves. Ms. Nothdurft will research the following questions:
  1. The requirements
  2. If the resident pays for the installation, who pays for the power
  3. If only one house exists on a street, is there a difference if it's located at an intersection.
- Mr. Chattinger reported that there is discussion with other MSBU's about installation of bike racks at school bus stops. Mr. Rossi agreed to contact the School Board to get a list of bus stops to see how many would be required. Ms. Nothdurft will research and report back to the Committee. Ms. Ireland suggested that it would be nice for the schools to address pedestrian and bicycle rules of the road during the beginning of the year orientation if they have one.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 25, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. in the San Casa Conference room.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.