

MEETING MINUTES
WEST CHARLOTTE STORMWATER UTILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
June 25, 2015 – Regular Meeting
9:00 a.m. – Building Construction Services Conference Room

Attendees: Henry Killion, Stanley Plizga, and Lawrence Harrod

Absent: Scott Schermerhorn (excused) and Laren Armstrong (excused)

County: Karen Bliss, Judith Nothdurft, Mike Dallenbach, and Kelly Louttit

Guests: Sign-in sheet attached

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. with a roll call that determined a quorum was present.

Changes to the Agenda: Mr. Killion motioned to add the Charlotte Harbor Environmental Center water quality presentation to the agenda and the motion passed unanimously.

Charlotte Harbor Environmental Center (CHEC) Water Quality Presentation-

- Dr. Hubertz presented an analysis of the CHEC Water Quality Canal Sampling for South Gulf Cove. Ms. Slater advised independent samples are being submitted to the University of Florida. Discussion continued regarding the independent samples and sharing of the data. Mr. Harrod discussed the water quality concerns at Station 1 due to construction. Ms. Bliss advised him to contact County Project Manager, Jeff Keyser for water sample results.

The meeting minutes from March 11, 2015 were unanimously approved as written.

Roberts Rules of Order / Sunshine Law Presentation-

- The Committee viewed the presentation previously recorded by the County Attorney. Mr. Killion asked if staff can make a final decision on a project plan without MSBU Advisory Board approval. Ms. Nothdurft will investigate the matter and advise the committee. Discussion continued regarding information flow to new members, citizen input time limit, the role of the alternate member, and retention of meeting minutes.

Citizen Input on Agenda Items Only (3 Minute Limit)

- Ms. Slater stated the clearing on ditch 1309 and 1310 looks good and requested ditch 1311 and 1313 running along Agate be cleared of overgrowth. A second area between Chesswood Lane and Jeronimo Lane needs weed removal at the pipe. Mr. Dallenbach will relay the information to Ray Slade.
- Mr. Lyons advised he has been partnering with Community Development to obtain the permits for the Buck Creek Mangrove Trimming.

Unfinished Business:

- Newgate Waterway Spoil Removal – Ms. Bliss said the project is complete and is under budget by \$6107.00 dollars. Ms. Bliss advised a small area at the Jennings Weir on the other side of the bridge was not included in the project however; Mr. Slade has been contacted to review the area for removal.
- Oyster Creek – Mr. Killion would like to expand the project to remove all the Brazilian peppers. Ms. Bliss stated Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) and Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) have been contacted to revise the permit for the Brazilian pepper tree removal. Discussion continued regarding future trimmings, native species, costs and alternatives to eradicate the trees.
- Grass Carp – Mr. Killion asked if the County could evaluate the results of the Carp placement to measure success. Mr. Dallenbach suggested contacting Johnny Hunter. Mr. Plizga noted he had spoken with Mr. Hunter and the County does not have plans to do this. The Committee discussed a citizen complaint to Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) regarding the installation of the Carp barriers causing possible problems with a tarpon fishery. Discussion continued regarding the meeting scheduled with FWC to address the Carp complaint.
- Erosion Locations – Mr. Killion advised the areas listed below are not a problem now when the water level is up, but could be an issue when the water is low. Discussion continued regarding which County agency is responsible for the repair. Mr. Dallenbach will contact Mr. Slade to review the areas.
 1. 899 & 902 Boundary Blvd. (Erosion around manhole)
 2. 193 West Pine Valley (Previous broken main)
 3. 790 Boundary Blvd. (Swale eroding)
- Coral Creek Restoration Project Phase II – Mr. Plizga stated there are issues with the 30% percent drawings and SWFWMD will provide corrected drawings.

- Buck Creek (Mangrove Trimming Request) – Mr. Lyons addressed the project update in citizen's input.
- Rotonda West Greenbelt Status - Ms. Nothdurft said there is no update at this time.
- SGC Waterway Lock & Dredging Update: Ms. Nothdurft read the meeting notes from the June 22, 2015 South Gulf Cove Waterway Meeting and discussed details of the South Gulf Cover Waterway parallel lock and dredging.
- Activity Report- Request for Ditch No. - Mr. Dallenbach advised M&O is in the process of including the ditch numbers on the Activity Report.
- Labor Breakdown costs- Ms. Nothdurft advised the labor costs were emailed to the committee.

New Business:

- Removal of Officer Term Limit Request- Mr. Killion reviewed Section 4-5-298 of the Charlotte County Code of Ordinances for the West Charlotte Stormwater Utility Unit and would like the language of member term limits removed. Discussion ensued. Mr. Dallenbach stated the item is currently being reviewed by legal staff. Discussion continued regarding appointments, the importance of attending the Board of County Commission meetings, and previous advertisements for openings. Mr. Killion motioned to eliminate the sentences described in Section 4-5-298 which states: After a member serves three (3) consecutive terms, the member shall not be eligible for reappointment to the board of advisors for one (1) year. In the event the term of a member who is not eligible for reappointment has expired and there are no eligible candidates to replace the term limited member, the board of county commissioners may reappoint the term limited member for an additional term. Mr. Plizga seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Mr. Killion motioned to remove the second sentence of Section 4-5-300: Each officer shall serve for one (1) year and may be reelected for a maximum of three (3) consecutive terms, Mr. Plizga seconded; and the motion passed unanimously. Mr. Killion provided the Ordinance to Ms. Nothdurft and the document will be forwarded to the County Attorney.
- Financial History / 6 Month Actual FY 2014/2015 – Ms. Nothdurft provided the financials for committee review. Possible future projects, funds, and partnership projects were discussed for the Rotonda area. Mr. Killion stated Commissioner Doherty is slated to meet with the MSBU chairmen to discuss future projects. Discussion continued regarding the Rotonda Drainage Study, stormwater events, what agency is responsible for drainage problems and the ability to start projects. Ms. Bliss stated primary drainage is covered by the Stormwater MSBU and secondary drainage is covered by Streets and Drainage MSBU. Discussion ensued regarding drainage problems.
- Activity Report (3/1/15 – 5/31/15) – Ms. Nothdurft provided the Activity Report for Committee review.
- Draft FY 2016 & FY 2017 rev. 6/8/15- Ms. Nothdurft provided the Draft Budgets for Committee review. Central and Indirect changes, assessments, and carp maintenance were discussed.

Citizen Input on MSBU Related Items Only (3 Minute Limit)

- Ms. Slater stated she is frustrated by the lack of project movement since the hiring of the new County Attorney and wants projects to move forward. (comments were directed to South Gulf Cove Park Development)
- Mr. Perkins asked if MSBU's are dissolved who would take over the work. Mr. Dallenbach stated Public Works.

Advisory Committee members Open Discussion:

- Mr. Harrod expressed his concern over silt screens and erosion control for new construction. Mr. Dallenbach suggested contacting Building Construction Services.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 22, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the San Casa Conference Room.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Submitted by:

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**CHARLOTTE COUNTY
 PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION
 WEST CHARLOTTE STORMWATER UTILITY UNIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
 ATTENDANCE ROSTER**

MEETING DATE: THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2015

MEETING TIME: 10:00 A.M. – Building Construction Services Conference Room

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