



# Special Projects Division of Community Development



**Maggie Horton**

A Florida native, I was born and raised in Arcadia and moved to Charlotte County during the early 90's. I am married with two children and continue to reside in the area. I have been employed by Charlotte County Government since 1996, having worked my way up through the ranks, starting in the Building Department's Permitting Section. I was promoted to a Zoning Technician and eventually transferred into the Special Projects Division of Community Development and became the Supervisor of that division. I was promoted to **Business Services Manager**, responsible for a team of over 25 dedicated employees, and oversee the daily operations of the Special Projects Division, Permitting, and Administrative Services.

Born and raised in Milwaukee, WI, I moved to sunny Florida in 1987 and never looked back. I've been with Charlotte County Government since 2006, and have seen and done a lot in that time. Hired on as a contract employee for Code Enforcement, I then went on to become a Zoning Technician before landing at my wonderful home in the Special Projects Division, where I was promoted to Senior Design Technician, then to **Senior Program Coordinator**. My responsibilities include the monitoring of our group's production, maintenance of several county databases, and the creation of maps and reports for staff and external customers alike. I love what I do, and am very proud to be part of Charlotte County!



**John MacDonald**



**Gerry Collins**

I am a native to Charlotte County, born and raised in Punta Gorda, lived here all my life. I have worked in the Special Projects Division since 2003 and have the title of **Addressing Technician**. I maintain the core address database for Charlotte County, and maintain the spatial address database for the City of Punta Gorda. I also work closely with E-911 to maintain locations for emergency calls and address corrections, the USPS to ensure mail service, and several other government entities that depend on accurate address data. I also assist developers with establishing addresses and street names for new developments and businesses. I review building permit applications, street vacations, plat vacations, and Site Plan Review (DRC) submittals to verify correct addresses and legal descriptions.

I grew up on the Ohio/Kentucky border near Cincinnati, so I am an "OK" kid. From there I spent several years on the west coast, serving in the U.S. Navy (during which time I made 2 overseas deployments) and started a family. I moved to Tennessee in 1986 and to Charlotte County in 1996. I joined the Special Projects Division of Community Development in 2001 as a **Design Technician** and have worked in that capacity ever since. I have a Bachelor and 2 Masters Degrees in Religion and Divinity from Liberty University, and am presently working on a PhD in Business Leadership through North-Central University in Arizona. My wife Julie and I have been married since 1979, have 2 grown children and 2 grandsons.

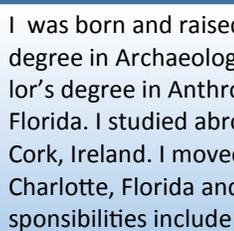


**David Vance**



**Wyatt Hoffman**

I was born across the pond in Huntingdon, England, but moved to Nebraska at around 6 months old. A few years later, I moved to Brandon, Florida before finally landing in Port Charlotte at the age of 6, and have lived here ever since. I attended the University of Florida, where I got my Bachelor of Science in Geology. I got a job with the Special Projects Division as a **Design Technician**, where I am currently working predominantly on mapping projects, but I also maintain some of the county databases.



**Kathleen Goodwin**

I was born and raised in Southern California where I attended Palomar College and received an associate degree in Archaeology along with a certificate in GIS. I then continued my education by receiving a bachelor's degree in Anthropology from the University of Montana. After graduating, my family and I moved to Florida. I studied abroad for my master's degree in Archaeological Excavation at the University College Cork, Ireland. I moved back to Florida working as an archaeologist for over a year. I currently reside in Port Charlotte, Florida and work for Charlotte County Community Development as a **Design Technician**. My responsibilities include creating maps and maintaining databases for various projects throughout the County. I really enjoy developing/editing maps and being a part of this wonderful Department and community.