

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

August 11, 2009

A meeting was held at the Murdock Administration Complex in Room 119, Port Charlotte, Florida.

Members present were: Chairman Duffy, Commissioner Cummings, Commissioner Starr, Commissioner Loftus, Commissioner Skidmore, County Administrator Baltz, County Attorney Knowlton, and Deputy Clerk Manley. The following members were absent: None. The meeting was called to order at **9:00 AM**.

The Invocation was given by Reverend Sammie M. Brooks, Grace Presbyterian Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Changes to the Agenda:

Deletion #1:

Commission Office - Z-5

Discussion and direction regarding demolition of the "Beirut Building."

Deletion #2:

Purchasing - F-4

a) Approve ranking of firms for proposal #09-251, South Gulf Cove Parks Design: 1st David M. Jones Jr. & Associates, located in Punta Gorda, FL, 2nd Southwest Engineering & Design located in Punta Gorda, FL, and 3rd, Wilson Miller, located in Port Charlotte, FL b) approve start of negotiation; and c) authorize the Chairman to sign the contract after completion of negotiation. This is for professional services for parks, environmental restoration, marine-related improvements, sidewalks and trail, and related ancillary improvements for the community of South Gulf Cove.

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO APPROVE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STARR

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

Proclamations - Commissioner Cummings

Arts and Humanities Council Artist of the Month

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO PROCLAIM CAROLE HOWES AS ARTS AND HUMANITIES COUNCIL ARTIST OF THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2009, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STARR

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

The Proclamation was accepted by Carole Howes.

Catherine "Cathy" Bouvier Day

COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE MOVED TO PROCLAIM AUGUST 12, 2009 AS CATHERINE "CATHY" BOUVIER DAY, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTUS

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

The Proclamation was accepted by Cathy Bouvier.

Kathleen Johnston Day

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO PROCLAIM AUGUST 4, 2009 AS KATHLEEN JOHNSTON DAY, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STARR

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

Maggie Kain accepted the proclamation on behalf of Kathleen Johnston.

Magali "Maggie" Kain Day

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO PROCLAIM AUGUST 11, 2009 AS MAGALI "MAGGIE" KAIN DAY, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STARR

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

The Proclamation was accepted by Maggie Kain.

Mary Webster Day

COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE MOVED TO PROCLAIM AUGUST 20, 2009 AS MARY WEBSTER DAY, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STARR

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

The Proclamation was accepted by Mary Webster.

Smokey Bear Day

COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE MOVED TO PROCLAIM AUGUST 15, 2009 AS SMOKEY BEAR DAY, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STARR

The Proclamation was accepted by Smokey the Bear and members of the Forestry Division.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

Employee Recognition-Commissioner Cummings and County Administrator Baltz

Five Years: Debrah Forester, Economic Development; Steven Parker, Utilities; Manuel Soares, Fire/EMS; Daryl Womble, Utilities; Christina Peters, Budget & Administrative Services;
Ten Years: William White, Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources, Juancarlos Cadenas, Fire/EMS; David Stokes, Fire/EMS; James Wilcox, Fire/EMS; **Fifteen Years:** Sam Dreher, Fire/EMS; Steve Sasher, Fire/EMS; **Twenty Years:** Kevin Benson, Fire/EMS; Thomas Franz, Fire/EMS; **Twenty Five Years:** Gregg Bala, Building Construction Services; Linda Moore, Growth Management; James Stillwagon II, Fire/EMS.

Presentations - None

I. CITIZEN INPUT - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Dianne Bettmann, Dr. Bill Coy, Toni Ruggieri, Carol Dunkak-Dunekirchen, Naomi Manning, and Tom Rice, spoke in support of the bus transit route, Agenda Item Z-4.

John Hitzel and Richard Bair spoke in opposition of Agenda Item Z-4.

Karen Price expressed concern related to the deletion of Agenda Item F-4 and inquired if it would be presented again.

George MacFarland spoke on Agenda Item Z-7.

Tom Rice spoke in support of Agenda Item Z-6.

II. COMMITTEE VACANCIES

Charlotte County is seeking volunteers to serve on the following Committees:

Value Adjustment Board (VAB) is seeking a volunteer citizen member to serve on the Board. The citizen member must own homestead property within Charlotte County, may not be a member or an employee of any taxing authority and may not be a person who represents property owners in any administrative or judicial review of property taxes. Submit resume to: Board of County Commissioners or e-mail bcc@charlottefl.com by August 17, 2009. If you require special assistance or accommodations please include this information with your resume.

Boca Grande Street & Drainage Advisory Committee is seeking one volunteer to finish a vacated unexpired term; effective immediately, shall expire Feb. 27, 2012. Must own property and live within the unit.

Charter Review Commission is seeking qualified volunteers for appointment to the Charter Review Commission. All interested parties who are qualified and desire to be considered for appointment should submit their request for consideration in writing, outlining their qualifications, along with a brief résumé of personal background and work history. Letter/résumé must be received by August 14, 2009 and are to be mailed to: Janette S. Knowlton, Esq., County Attorney, 18500 Murdock Circle, Port Charlotte, FL 33948-1094. NOTE: Applicants appointed shall be subject to appropriate laws and statutes concerning financial disclosure and the Florida Government-in-the-Sunshine Law. (Attorney Knowlton gave the email address for notification of interest to committees.)

Construction Industry Licensing Board is seeking a volunteer to represent the consumer advocate category. Volunteer must be a resident of Charlotte County for at least two years and have no financial interest, direct or indirect, in the building trades. Length of term: 4 years.

Punta Gorda Community Redevelopment Agency is seeking one member. Appointee must be a Charlotte County resident and shall serve for a four (4) year term. The purpose of the Agency is to implement the policies, projects and programs contained in the Punta Gorda Downtown Redevelopment Plan.

South Bridge Waterway Municipal Service Benefit Unit is seeking two volunteers; one shall serve a two year terms as a regular member and the other to serve a two year term as the alternate member. Both must own property and live within the unit.

South Burnt Store Street & Drainage Advisory Committee is seeking two volunteers; one volunteer to serve a three year term as a regular member and one volunteer to serve a two year term as the alternate. The regular term is for three years; the alternate term is for two years. Must own property and live within the unit.

South Gulf Cove Street & Drainage is seeking one volunteer to fill the vacant alternate position on this committee. Term is effective immediately and expires February 2011. Must own property and live within the unit.

Town Estates Street & Drainage Unit Advisory Board is seeking two volunteers to serve three year terms as regular members and one volunteer to serve as the alternate member. Terms are effective immediately. Must be property owners and live within the unit.

West Charlotte Stormwater Utility is seeking one volunteer to serve a two year term as the alternate member, effective immediately, expiring 2011.

III. REPORTS RECEIVED AND FILED - NONE

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Baltz gave the reasons why Item F-4 was pulled from the Agenda and advised it would be brought back as soon as possible.

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STARR

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

A. Finance Division

(1) **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve the Clerk's Finance Memorandum.
BUDGETED ACTION: None

Memorandum #1 - Status of Contingency Reserves - FY 07/08

Memorandum #1A - Status of Contingency Reserves - FY08/09

Memorandum #2 - Total Disbursements for the period July 21, 2009 through August 3, 2009 in the amount of \$14,662,935.53

B. Minutes Division

(1) **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** **BUDGETED ACTION:** None

April 21, 2009 9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

April 22, 2009 1:30 p.m. Budget Workshop

Board of County Commissioners

C. Commission Office - No Items

D. Administration - No Items

E. County Attorney - No Items

F. Budget and Administrative Services

Fiscal Services

(1) *RECOMMENDED ACTION:* Approve a) Authorization to submit an application to the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program to apply for the Charlotte County allocation of \$115,351 as in Attachments 1 - 4, with \$92,551 going to the Sheriff, \$12,800 going to the Punta Gorda Police Dept., and \$10,000 going to Human Services; b) Authorize the Chair to execute the necessary grant documents; and c) Authorize staff to make any changes necessary to submit the grant. *BUDGETED ACTION:* None. This grant will be budgeted as part of the FY 2009-2010 budget.

Grant 2009-030 (\$10,000); Grant 2009-031 (\$13,251); Grant 2009-032 (\$79,300); Grant 2009-033 (\$12,800)

Information Technology - No Items

Purchasing

(2) *RECOMMENDED ACTION:* Approve Change Order #3 to Contract #07-396, Fordham Waterway Bridge Replacement, with Engineer Control System Corporation (ECS) to increase the contract by the amount of \$52,898.18, with a revised total contract of \$951,962.06, with 25 additional calendar days to the contract term for the replacement of concrete structures on the US 41 Access Road at the Fordham Waterway. *BUDGETED ACTION:* The FY09 budget has funds available in the Road Improvement Fund, CIP project c410519, Fordham Waterway Bridge Replacement, project total is \$1,175,000.

(3) *RECOMMENDED ACTION:* a) Approve Change Order #3 to Contract #08-400, Northwest Charlotte Maintenance Dredging, with MillMac Corporation, to increase the contract in the amount of \$35,310.75 with a revised total contract of \$398,394 and add 100 additional calendar days to the contract term. b) Approve CIP Amendment #09-C09 in the amount of \$35,311; and c) Approve Budget Amendment #09-A53 in the amount of \$35,311. *BUDGETED ACTION:* Approve CIP amendment no. 09-C09 and Budget amendment no. 09-A53 in the amount of \$35,311.

(5) **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** a) Approve the ranking of firms for Request for Proposal #09-259, Construction/Geotechnical Testing Services: 1st - Allied Engineering & Testing, Inc., located in Punta Gorda, FL; 2nd - Universal Engineering Sciences located in Fort Myers, FL; and 3rd - Stantec Consulting Services located in Port Charlotte, FL; b) Approve start of negotiations; c) Authorize the Chair to sign the contracts after completion of negotiations; and d) Authorize the County Administrator to approve annual renewals. This is an annual contract for construction/geotechnical testing firms to supply on-going construction/geotechnical testing services to Charlotte County. **BUDGETED ACTION:** None

(6) **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** a) Award Bid #09-300, Reinforced Concrete Culvert Pipe - Elliptical, to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, Rinker Materials Inc., Fort Myers, Fl. at the unit prices indicated on their bid form, with the contract period of October 1, 2009 through and including September 30, 2010, with an option to renew for two additional one-year terms at the same prices, terms and conditions, upon mutual consent; and b) Authorize the County Administrator to approve renewal options for up to two additional one year terms, at the same prices, term and conditions, by mutual consent. **BUDGETED ACTION:** None

(7) **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve deletion of the property inventory items on the attached list for the month of August, 2009. **BUDGETED ACTION:** None

Real Estate Services - No Items

G. Building & Construction Services - No Items

H. Economic Development - No Items

J. Environmental Services

(1) **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve Budget Transfer 09-022 in the Mosquito Control Local budget to realign budget to expenses as required by Mosquito Control State Aid. **BUDGETED ACTION:** Budget Transfer 09-022. The Budget Transfer is to cover expenses for electricity and life/health insurance and reduce the budget for Aerial Adulticide. The net change to the total Mosquito Control Budget is \$0.

K. Facilities Construction and Maintenance - No Items

L. Growth Management

(1) *RECOMMENDED ACTION:* Approve the DRC-PD-05-04 Final Detail Plan Resolution permitting Dugan Porter to construct Serendipity Villas located at 25276 Tangerine Avenue. *BUDGETED ACTION:* None

Resolution 2009-236

(2) *RECOMMENDED ACTION:* Approve Final Plat petition #FP-09-02-03 for South Harbor Development, LLC. *BUDGETED ACTION:* None

(3) *RECOMMENDED ACTION:* Approve Petition #FP-09-03-04. Lemon Bay Partners, Ltd., along with all current property owners and Mortgage Holders within Placida Bay Estates, has applied for a Final Plat of Placida Bay Estates, First Replat. The site consists of 16 lots, as well as Tract A and Tract B. The site contains 33.67 acres, more or less, and is located on the southwest side of Placida Road, northeast of Placida Harbor, and southeast of Placida Harbour Condominiums, in Commission District III. *BUDGETED ACTION:* None

M. Human Resources - No Items

N. Human Services

(1) *RECOMMENDED ACTION:* a) Accept the Community Services Block Grant - 2009/2010 ARRA funds in the amount of \$117, 543. b) Authorize the Board Chair to sign all required documents for grant and contract submission. c) Authorize the County Administrator or his designee to sign any additional documents, revisions, and contract amendments in the execution of the ARRA grant award. *BUDGETED ACTION:* The budget for the ARRA grant will be added to the County's Fiscal Year 2010 budget documents for BCC approval.

Grant 2009-034

(2) *RECOMMENDED ACTION*: a) Accept a two year grant award from the Office of Justice Programs in the amount of \$199, 990 for an expanded Adult Drug Court Program; b) Authorize the Human Services Director to sign the award; c) Authorize the Commission Chair to sign a two year subcontract for this award with Charlotte Behavioral Health Care in the amount of \$188,452 after review by the County Attorney. *BUDGETED ACTION*: The budget for the first grant year will be added to the County's Fiscal Year 2010 budget documents for BCC approval.

Grant 209-035

P. Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources - No Items

Q. Public Safety

(1) *RECOMMENDED ACTION*: Approve a grant agreement between the State of Florida Division of Emergency Management and Charlotte County that provides \$45,000 for Local Planning, Training and Exercises consistent with the Department of Homeland Security State Strategy guidelines. *BUDGETED ACTION*: None required at this time. Emergency Management operating budget will be amended once notice of award is received.

Grant 2009-036

R. Public Works

(1) *RECOMMENDED ACTION*: Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Cooperative Funding Agreement between the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) and the County for Implementation of Best Management Practices in the Charlotte Harbor Redevelopment Area Watershed. *BUDGETED ACTION*: None

Agreement 2009-033

(2) *RECOMMENDED ACTION*: Set a public hearing for August 25, 2009, at 10:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as may be heard, to consider approving an ordinance to change the speed limit from 45 mph to 40 mph on Rotonda West Boulevard from Boundary Boulevard to Parade Circle; and, set the speed limit at 40 mph on Rotonda North Boulevard from Boundary Boulevard to Parade Circle to provide for consistent speed limits on the major collector roadways in the area. *BUDGETED ACTION*: None

S. Tourism Development - No Items

T. Utilities - No Items

U. Other Agencies - No Items

V. REGULAR AGENDA

Z. Regular Agenda

(1) Commission Office - Select by ballot one person to serve on the Murdock Village Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Committee as the representative of the "banking and finance sector" or the "appraisal sector" (position approved at the June 6, 2009 BCC meeting).

Mr. Baltz tallied the ballots and announced Michael Goff received all five votes.

COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE MOVED TO SELECT MICHAEL GOFF TO SERVE ON THE MURDOCK VILLAGE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ADVISORY COMMITTEE AS THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE "BANKING AND FINANCE SECTOR" OR THE "APPRAISAL SECTOR" (POSITION APPROVED AT THE JUNE 6, 2009 BCC MEETING), SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STARR

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

VI. PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA - 10:00 A.M.

Conduct a public hearing to consider approving a Recovery Zone Designation Ordinance for Charlotte County

(1) Budget - Conduct a public hearing to consider approving a Recovery Zone Designation Ordinance for Charlotte County.

Ordinance 2009-034

Cari Branco, Fiscal Services Division, gave a brief presentation and described the proposed Ordinance.

COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE MOVED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STARR

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE MOVED TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING CHARLOTTE COUNTY AS A RECOVERY ZONE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTUS

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

(2) Economic Development - Approve the preparation and submittal of an application for American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Transportation and Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grant Funding by the Charlotte Harbor Community Redevelopment Agency for the Charlotte Harbor Community Redevelopment Area Harbor Walk project and authorize the Chairman to sign the necessary documentation.

Debrah Forester gave a brief presentation that explained the item in detail.

COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE MOVED TO APPROVE PROCEEDING WITH THE PREPARATION AND SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) TRANSPORTATION AND INVESTMENT GENERATING ECONOMIC RECOVERY (TIGER) DISCRETIONARY GRANT FUNDING BY THE CHARLOTTE HARBOR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY FOR THE CHARLOTTE HARBOR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA HARBOR WALK PROJECT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTUS

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

Grant 2009-037

(3) Economic Development - Approve the preparation and submittal of an application for American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grant Funding for the Southwest Florida Intermodal and Logistics Center and authorize the Chairman to sign the necessary documentation.

Don Root gave a brief informational presentation. **Chairman Duffy** mentioned the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) recently voted to endorse the Airport Authority as an intermodal transport center. Mr. Root explained the issue further.

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO DIRECT STAFF TO PROCEED WITH THE PREPARATION AND SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT GENERATING ECONOMIC RECOVERY (TIGER) DISCRETIONARY GRANT FUNDING FOR THE SOUTHWEST FLORIDA INTERMODAL AND LOGISTICS CENTER AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

Grant 2009-038

(4) Human Services - Discussion and direction on a pilot fixed route bus service.

Vikki Carpenter reviewed highlights from the report previously provided to the Board on the proposed fixed route and announced Rich Weingarten and Fred McKenna were available for questions. There was lengthy Board discussion and staff addressed Commission inquiries.

COMMISSIONER CUMMINGS MOVED TO GIVE STAFF DIRECTION TO ENCOURAGE THE PURSUIT OF A HYBRID MASS TRANSIT SYSTEM COMBINING THE BEST OF BOTH FIXED ROUTES AND FLEXIBLE ROUTES, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STARR

MOTION FAILED 1:4.

Attorney Knowlton clarified the motion. Extensive Board discussion was conducted. **Chairman Duffy** expressed the need for more time and additional information. **Commissioner Cummings** opined they need to begin with staff direction and offered to modify his original motion to include direction for staff to return before they begin running the fixed route. Discussion continued.

COMMISSIONER CUMMINGS MOVED TO DIRECT STAFF TO PROCEED PER THE PRESENTATION AND COME BACK TO THE BOARD FOR FINAL APPROVAL BEFORE RUNNING A FIXED ROUTE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STARR

Mr. Baltz clarified his understanding of the motion. The Board and staff discussed the issue further.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

RECESS: 11:25 AM - 11:40 AM

(6) Budget and Administrative Services - a) Award Request for Proposal No. 09-220, Charlotte County Fire Rescue / EMS Medical Director, to Dr. Daniel V. O'Leary, MD; b) Authorize negotiations; c) Authorize the Chairman to sign the Contract; and d) Terminate Contract #03-129 with Dr. Raymond A. James, D.O., P.L., per the contract provisions of a 90-day notification. Funding is provided in the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) budget. FY09/10 Budget is \$46,940.

Kim Corbett explained the item in detail, named the Professional Services Committee members and noted their recommendation for approval, and requested Board approval.

COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE MOVED TO DENY STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STARR

Commissioner Skidmore announced the reasons for his opposition. Attorney Knowlton clarified the Medical Director requirement to obtain privileges from all three hospitals within 90 days. Ms. Corbett acknowledged that was correct and commented further. **Chairman Duffy** pointed out privileges to all three hospitals cannot be obtained if you are an Emergency Room doctor and opined that requirement should not have been part of the original specifications. Board discussion continued.

MOTION FAILED 2:3.

Attorney Knowlton provided the current status and asked for direction related to another Request for Proposal (RFP) and proposed criteria amendments.

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO GO OUT FOR ANOTHER RFP FOR MEDICAL DIRECTOR AND ELIMINATE THE REQUIREMENT TO OBTAIN PRIVILEGES FROM ALL THREE HOSPITALS WITHIN 90 DAYS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CUMMINGS

MOTION CARRIED 3:2. COMMISSIONER STARR, COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE OPPOSING.

(7) Utilities - Discuss the proposed First Amendment to the Water Sale and Storage Agreement between Peace River/Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority, Sarasota County and Charlotte County.

First Amendment to Agreement 2005-045

Mr. Baltz offered some introductory comments and introduced Terri Kesner. Ms. Kesner gave background information, explained why Sarasota is requesting the extension, and commented on staff concerns listed in the backup material.

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO DIRECT UTILITIES STAFF FROM CHARLOTTE COUNTY AND SARASOTA COUNTY TO WORK THIS AGREEMENT OUT AND BRING IT BACK BEFORE THE BOARD, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE

Mr. MacFarland apologized for the lack of communication. Mr. Lehman requested the Water Authority be included in discussions. The Commissioners provided **Board Consensus** and commented further.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

VII. PRESENTATION AGENDA - No Items

VIII. PUBLIC WORKSHOP AGENDA - No Items

IX. BOARD WORKSHOP AGENDA - No Items

X. CITIZEN INPUT - ANY SUBJECT

Douglas Tucker expressed concern with drainage issues at the baseball stadium and spoke in support of Agenda Item Z-4.

Marvin Dunlevy made inquiries related to Murdock Village and argued against the three minute limit to speak. The Commissioners explained the meeting process in detail. Attorney Knowlton confirmed the time limit is appropriate.

Park Pilikian addressed Agenda Items F-3 and F-4 (Deletion #2).

AA. County Administrator:

Mr. Baltz introduced himself to Mr. Dunlevy and offered to meet with him to answer his questions or direct staff to address his issues. **Commissioner Cummings** provided clarification related to park funding and announced detail related to Murdock Village. Mr. Baltz read a portion of a letter from the City of North Port requesting the use of Murdock Village property for off-road ATV's and asked for Board direction. **Board Consensus** was opposed. Mr. Baltz noted renewed interest in development along Burnt Store Road and explained the process and updates. There was Board discussion and opposition to County upfront funding. Mr. Baltz mentioned they are addressing drainage issues at the stadium.

BB. County Attorney:

Attorney Knowlton said the Charter Review Commission application deadline is this Friday and gave an update.

CC. Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Skidmore expressed opposition to closing the Murdock Post Office and requested the Board write a letter to our Federal Representatives. There was Board discussion to keep our local post offices open.

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO WRITE LETTERS TO KEEP THE MURDOCK POST OFFICE OPEN, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

Commissioner Starr discussed an issue he has been working on for a local business owner related to truck storage in a Commercial Intensive zone. Jeff Ruggieri explained the process to allow the use and answered Board questions. There was lengthy Board discussion which included comments from Assistant County Attorney's Rooney and Honse.

Chairman Duffy expressed concern with the crossing guard issue, provided cost updates received from the Sheriff, and mentioned the need for additional information. **Commissioner Skidmore** opined the School Board created this problem by eliminating bus routes and has not taken responsibility. Mr. Baltz advised communications with the School Board to date, remarked he had provided the Commission with correspondence from Dr. Gaylor, and gave an update of options being considered to help solve the problem. Board comments continued.

Chairman Duffy opined Murdock Village Advisory Committee members should be required to be Charlotte County Residents as are most other members. The Board agreed and provided **Consensus**.

Chairman Duffy commented that the Board welcomes citizen comments, explained the meeting process and the need to maintain order, and noted Commissioner availability.

ADJOURNED: 1:35 PM

Signature on file in Commission Minutes
Chairman

ATTEST:

**BARBARA T. SCOTT, CLERK
OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND
EX-OFFICIO TO THE BOARD
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**By: Signature on file in Commission Minutes
Deputy Clerk**

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