

MEETING MINUTES
SOUTH BRIDGE WATERWAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
April 7, 2010
10:00 A.M.

Attendees: Ray Cady, Natalie Reach, Michael Dewitt and David Cislo
Coastal Engineering Jamie Cohlmeier
County - Dawn Harrison, Chuck Mopps

Minutes: No minutes were submitted for approval.

- Mr. Caddy opened the meeting for the South Bridge Waterway Advisory Committee

New Business: Activity report was given to the Committee members

Dredging Discussion:

- Mr. Cohlmeier reviewed the status of the permits with the Committee members; we are on target to receive the permits on time, when the funding is available. The permits should be received in late summer.
- The Committee reviewed and discussed the increase on the rate for the dredging. There was a comparison with the rate given, in the past, and the rate reports given currently.
- The determination was made that the cost is higher by cubic yards of material. We also would increase the rate if we predict environmental issues and concerns through the permitting process. The current contract items may change, and some items maybe be removed or added to the contract depending on the needs and permit conditions.
- Unforeseen construction costs, for example - lack of spoil sites or other items that may arise. The outreach was discussed to communicate to property owners as much detail information on the project as possible.
- There was discussion on cutting costs to the project to cut costs. We have reduced the project down and cut the amount of material to be removed from the project. We can make changes to the project. We can move forward on the permit as is, and then slim the contract down by cutting some of the dredging down. We can have a fallback plan to cut cost to reduce the rate.
- The Committee discussed other contracts that were bid out recently and what the costs came in at by cubic yard. It was suggested to begin with construction of the project after April 1, 2011, when there is deeper water.
- Questions were asked about line items in the budget; comments were made on the 5% of what is totally collected.
- A Public Meeting is to be held, to supply as much information on the project as possible to the community. In addition, a mass mailing, with an opinion to move forward on the project.

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- There discussion on the bid process on what is required by the contractor, and including mangrove cutting as part of the contract.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:19 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Harrison
Municipal Services District Representative

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