BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS - MSBU PUBLIC HEARING

JULY 12, 2006

Public Hearings were held this day at 18500 Murdock Circle, Room 119, Port Charlotte, Florida 33948. The following members were present: Chairman Moore and Commissioners Cummings, Devos, D’Aprile and DeBoer. Also in attendance were County Administrator Loucks, Deputy County Attorney Gallagher, Minutes Supervisor Nice, and Deputy Clerk Manley. The following members were absent: None.

The meeting was called to order at 5:01 PM. (Proofs of publication were in order.)

I. Public Hearings to set MSBU Rates

A. Greater Port Charlotte Street & Drainage Unit A-1

Tara Musselman, Municipal Services District Representative Charlotte County Public Works

- Advertised Rate for FY 06/07 - Vacant $225.00 per ERU
- Advertised Rate for FY 06/07 - Occupied $214.00 per ERU
- Proposed Maximum Rate $225.00 per ERU
- Fund maintenance service and road maintenance within the MSBU

Budget Director Raymond Sandrock explained he would introduce each MSBU and that Public Works and Utilities staff would provide justification for each of the proposals, followed by public input and Board Direction.

Various citizens commented on the inability to hear the proceedings, and Chairman Moore and Commissioner Devos requested that the citizens quiet down.

Mr. Sandrock reported the proposed increase was due to the overall work program and paving. Mr. Sandrock advised the current rates are $59.73 per ERU vacant, $54.00 per ERU occupied, and a maximum rate for all properties of $59.73, and the proposed and advertised rates are $225.00 per ERU vacant, $214.00 per ERU occupied, and a maximum rate for all properties of $225.00 per ERU. Ms. Musselman advised no advisory committee
currently exists for this MSBU, and summarized the increases and the work program.

Due to concerns voiced by Board Members and citizens about the inability to be heard in a proper forum, Chairman Moore requested time to decide on the most appropriate way to handle the public hearings because of the large number of citizens in attendance.

Attorney Gallagher recommended the public hearings be re-noticed and re-mailed. A woman in the audience suggested that each MSBU group be heard individually as called and all others remain outside the meeting room until their MSBU is called.

Commissioner DeBoer requested quiet, and stated the Tentatorium is available July 20, 2006 at 5:00 PM

Board Action

COMMISSIONER DEBOER MOVED TO APPROVE RE-SCHEDULING AND RE-ADVERTISING THE PUBLIC HEARINGS TO JULY 20, 2006 at 5:01 PM AT THE TENTATORIUM IN PUNTA GORDA, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER D’APRILE.

Chairman Moore advised it is impossible to re-mail notices in a timely fashion, but that there would be sufficient notice of the meetings in the newspapers.

CALL ON THE MOTION: DECLARED UNANIMOUS.

Adjourned: 5:25 PM

Signature on file in Commission Minutes
Thomas G. Moore
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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