

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

November 9, 2010

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

Members present were: Chairman Starr, Commissioner Cummings, Commissioner Duffy, Commissioner Loftus, Commissioner Skidmore, County Administrator Sandrock, County Attorney Knowlton, Chief of Board Services White, Deputy Clerk Lansing. The following members were absent: None

The meeting was called to Order at **9:00 AM**.

The Invocation was given by Chairman Starr, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Changes to the Agenda:

Deletion #1: Requested by: County Attorney's Office - 10:00 AM Public Hearing #1 - Conduct a Public Hearing to discuss amending Chapter 1-7, Article V, Economic Development Incentive Program, of the Code of Laws and Ordinances of Charlotte County to offer new and revised incentives to new and expanding businesses.

Deletion #2: Requested by: Administration - F-9 - a) Approve File No. 11-028, to "Piggyback" the Los Angeles County Contract #MA-IS-1140050, Office Supplies, Supply & Deliver, with Independent Stationers Inc. of Indianapolis, IN, per the contract terms as specified on the attached documentation for the period from January 1, 2011 through and including August 31, 2013; b) Authorize the County Administrator to approve renewal options of two (2) additional one-year terms at the same prices terms and conditions, by mutual consent and only if this option of renewal is exercised by Los Angeles County in accordance with the Contract terms.

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO APPROVE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DUFFY.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

Proclamations/Awards

Proclamations - Commissioner Adam Cummings

Alzheimer's Memory Walk Day Proclamation, November 13, 2010

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO APPROVE ALZHEIMER'S MEMORY WALK DAY PROCLAMATION, NOVEMBER 13, 2010, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DUFFY.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

There was no one present to accept the Proclamation.

Arts and Humanities Council Artist of the Month - JoAnn Espich Proclamation, the month of November, 2010

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO APPROVE ARTS AND HUMANITIES COUNCIL ARTIST OF THE MONTH - JOANN ESPICH PROCLAMATION, THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 2010, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

The Proclamation was accepted by Ms. Espich.

Charlotte County Chamber of the Year Day Proclamation, November 9, 2010

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO APPROVE CHARLOTTE COUNTY CHAMBER OF THE YEAR DAY PROCLAMATION, NOVEMBER 9, 2010, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

The Proclamation was accepted by Julie Mathis.

Karl Hachmann Day Proclamation, November 9, 2010

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO APPROVE KARL HACHMANN DAY PROCLAMATION, NOVEMBER 9, 2010, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

The Proclamation was accepted by Karl Hachmann. Tom Koontz described the qualifications required to become an Eagle Scout.

Lung Cancer Awareness Day Proclamation, November 13, 2010

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO APPROVE LUNG CANCER AWARENESS DAY PROCLAMATION, NOVEMBER 13, 2010, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DUFFY.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

The Proclamation was accepted by Tom Cappiello.

Tampa Bay Rays Day Proclamation, November 10, 2010

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO APPROVE TAMPA BAY RAYS DAY PROCLAMATION, NOVEMBER 10, 2010, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

Mr. Sandrock noted he would be presenting the Proclamation to the Tampa Bay Rays that afternoon. **Commissioner Cummings** expressed his gratitude to the Tampa Bay Rays.

Visually Impaired/Blindness Support Day Proclamation, November 10, 2010

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO APPROVE VISUALLY IMPAIRED/BLINDNESS SUPPORT DAY PROCLAMATION, NOVEMBER 10, 2010, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DUFFY.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

The Proclamation was accepted by Claudia Rubin.

Veterans' Appreciation Month Proclamation, the month of November, 2010

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO APPROVE VETERANS' APPRECIATION MONTH PROCLAMATION, THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 2010, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DUFFY.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

The Proclamation was accepted by Liz Martin and an unidentified representative. **Commissioner Cummings** commented on the need for visits to the Veterans during the holidays.

Employee Recognition - County Administrator Raymond J. Sandrock

Five Years: Faezeh Andrews, Public Safety; Federico Gardini, Public Safety; Gail Karakeian, Fiscal Services; Allan Lightbourn, Utilities; Donald McEachern Jr., Public Safety; Patricia Moran, Human Resources; Tara Musselman, Public Works; Richard Thorpe, Public Safety; David Cegerenko, Utilities; James Jones, Public Works; Matthew Logan, Public Works; Dennis Moore, Purchasing; **Ten Years:** George Smith Jr., Public Works; James Winter, Utilities; **Fifteen Years:** John Degiovine Jr., Public Works; Hector Flores, Fiscal Services; **Twenty Years:** Raymond Christopher, Public Safety; John Firth Jr., Public Works; Benjie Hyatt, Utilities; **Twenty-Five Years:** Rhonda Richards, Public Safety; John Shields, Public Works

Presentations

Presentation to Charlotte County Health Department "Bicycle Friendly Business Award"

Dan Moser, Program Manager, Florida Bicycle Association, commended Steve Mitnick of the Charlotte County Health Department, explained the meaning of the Award, presented the Charlotte County Health Department with a Bronze Bicycle Friendly Business Award. Earl Lang of the Florida Bicycle Association also commended Steve Mitnick and his staff. Steve Mitnick expressed gratitude on behalf of the Health Department for the award.

Chairman Starr presented **Commissioner Loftus** and **Commissioner Cummings** with awards for their service to the County and described their contributions to the County. **Commissioner Loftus** accepted his recognition plaque and expressed his appreciation. **Commissioner Cummings** accepted his award, gave a parting statement, thanked the citizens of the County, mentioned millage rate recommendations, and expressed gratitude and commendation to County employees.

I. CITIZEN INPUT - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Joan Fischer discussed revenue that is not being put to correct use, mentioned Sprint, communication sales taxes, read an email she received on October 12, 2010, and commented that the City of Punta Gorda is receiving the revenue.

II. COMMITTEE VACANCIES

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

Beaches and Shores Advisory Committee is seeking one volunteer for the Member-at-Large position. This is a four year term effective December 31, 2010 and shall expire December 31, 2014. Submit resume to the Charlotte County Commission office, 18500 Murdock Circle, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 or call (941) 743-1300; fax (941) 743-1310 or send e-mail to BCC@charlottefl.com.

Construction Industry Licensing Board is seeking a volunteer to represent the "General Contractor" category. Volunteer must be a resident of Charlotte County for at least two years and be a licensed general contractor. Length of term is until January 26, 2014.

MPO-Citizens Advisory Committee is seeking three (3) individuals to voluntarily serve as a South County Mid-County Representative; a Handicapped Interests Representative; and a Minority Interests Representative. Deadline for submitting application is Tuesday, November 30, 2010. Send a letter or e-mail of interest to: Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO, 25550 Harbor View Road, Suite 4, Port Charlotte, FL 33980. Fax: 941-883-3534. E-mail: office@ccmpo.com. The MPO Board will elect the above positions at its Monday, December 13, 2010.

Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board is seeking two (2) individuals to voluntarily serve on the LCB Board. The purpose of the LCB is to identify local service needs and to provide information, advice, and direction to the Community Transportation Coordination of service to be provided to the transportation disadvantaged. The positions are: Citizen Advocate; and Citizen Advocate User. Your letter or email of interest stating the position for which you are qualified should be sent to: Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO, 25550 Harbor View Road, Suite 4, Port Charlotte, FL 33980. Fax: 941-883-3534. Email: office@ccmpo.com. The MPO Board will elect these above positions at its Monday, December 13, 2010

Children's Services Council is seeking one volunteer, must be a resident of Charlotte County and has maintained residency for 24 months. The Commissioners will nominate three names to the governor and one will be selected by the governor for appointment; submit resume to: Charlotte County Commission

Office, 18500 Murdock Circle, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 or call 941-743-1300, or e-mail BCC@charlottefl.com or fax 941-743-1310.

Murdock Village Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Committee (MV-CRAAC) is seeking one volunteer representing the Banking, Financial or Appraisal Sector (as defined in Chapter 475, Florida Statutes) to finish an unexpired term due to a resignation. This term is effective immediately and shall expire September 20, 2012. Submit your resume to the Charlotte County Commission office, 18500 Murdock Circle, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 or call (941) 743-1300; fax (941) 743-1310 or send e-mail to BCC@charlottefl.com.

III. REPORTS RECEIVED AND FILED

Murdock Village CRA Advisory Committee meeting Minutes for October 7, 2010.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA EXCEPT ITEMS C-5, F-3, F-4, F-5, F-6, AND F-8, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

A. Finance Division

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

B. Minutes Division

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve Minutes for:

October 12, 2010, 9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

October 18, 2010, 1:00 p.m. Land Use Meeting

October 25, 2010, 9:00 a.m. Pre-Agenda Meeting

BUDGETED ACTION: None

Board of County Commissioners

C. Commission Office

(1) RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the appointment of Wesley Brumback to fill the vacancy on the Agricultural and Natural Resources Advisory Committee. Mr. Brumback has been nominated by the committee to serve a four year term. BUDGETED ACTION: None

(2) RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please appoint Ken Dieffenbach to the Marine Advisory Committee as the representative for the Charlotte Coastal Conservation of Florida. This term is effective immediately and shall expire December 31, 2013. BUDGETED ACTION: None

(3) RECOMMENDED ACTION: Appoint Francis J. "Frank" Clancy to the Murdock Village Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Committee as the Property Owner Representative and Erik L. Howard as the General Contractor Representative. These are both three year terms effective immediately and expiring September 20, 2013. BUDGETED ACTION: None

(4) RECOMMENDED ACTION: Appoint Fred Pazona to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to finish an unexpired term scheduled to expire June 14, 2012. BUDGETED ACTION: None

(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the letter of support for Charlotte County Health Department's application to become a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) and select a BCC representative to sit on the FQHC Board of Directors. County Administration recommends David Johnston, budget analyst, as the County's representative to serve. BUDGETED ACTION: None

Steve Mitnick fielded inquiries from **Chairman Starr** regarding the creation of a Federal Health Department and grant funding. **Commissioner Duffy** commented on the backing out of funding and reducing the ad valorem.

COMMISSIONER LOFTUS MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM C-5, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DUFFY.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

D. Administration

Administration - No Items.

Public Information Office - No Items.

E. County Attorney

(1) *RECOMMENDED ACTION:* Approve initiation of all necessary and appropriate legal action against Bayshore Ventures LTD to foreclose a county lien in the amount of \$39,305.00 dollars on the property owned by Bayshore Ventures LTD located at 1460 Maryknoll Road S., Englewood, Florida. *BUDGETED ACTION:* None

(2) *RECOMMENDED ACTION:* Request the Board set a public hearing for November 23, 2010, at 10:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as may be heard, to consider approving an ordinance amending Article IV, Parking Generally, and Article V, Parking Areas and Zones, of Chapter 2-4, Charlotte County Code. *BUDGETED ACTION:* None

(3) *RECOMMENDED ACTION:* Approve a settlement in the amount of \$50,000 in the lawsuit captioned: Sherri King v. Charlotte County; Case No. 09-6610-CA and authorize the Chairman and County Attorney to execute the Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release and take any other necessary actions in furtherance of the settlement. *BUDGETED ACTION:* None

Agreement 2010-050

F. Budget and Administrative Services

Budget and Administrative Services - No Items

Fiscal Services

(1) *RECOMMENDED ACTION:* Amendments and transfers which impact various funds are required to complete the Fiscal Year 2009/2010 budget closing process. a) Approve Budget Amendments on attachment A totaling \$6,497,435; and b) Approve Budget Transfers on Attachment B. *BUDGETED ACTION:* Approval of Budget Amendments referenced on Attachment A and Budget Transfers referenced on Attachment B.

Information Technology - No Items.

Purchasing

(2) **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve deletion of the property inventory items listed on the attached for the month of November, 2010. **BUDGETED ACTION:** None

(3) **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve Amendment #2 to Contract #03-442, Engineering Services for Winchester Boulevard Phase III Improvements, with Wilbur Smith Associates, Inc., of Sarasota, FL, for plan updates, modifications, quantities verification/adjustments, permits and environmental issues in the amount of \$283,227.63 and a revised contract amount of \$975,280.79. **BUDGETED ACTION:** None. Budgeted in CIP project C419302, Winchester Corridor South-Phase 3, project total is \$27,731,000.

Chairman Starr expressed concern with having to expend additional monies on the Change Order and questioned if the scope had changed. Dan Quick responded in detail related to the project plan, its costs and indicated that presentations could be made available to the Board. **Commissioner Loftus** commended the engineers for their input. **Commissioner Skidmore** pointed out that the project cannot be completed without the change order and thanked Mr. Halfhill and Mr. Quick for their efforts.

COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM F-3, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTUS.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

(4) **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** a) Approve ranking of firms for Request for Proposal #10-314, Design - Rotonda West Entry Features: 1st DMK Associates located in Venice, FL; 2nd Kimley-Horn & Associates located in Sarasota, FL; and 3rd Johnson Engineering, Inc. located in Port Charlotte, FL; and b) Approve start of negotiations; and c) Authorize the Chairman to sign the contract after completion of negotiations. This is for the design of a multi-function entry feature for Rotonda West. **BUDGETED ACTION:** None. \$45,000 is budgeted for engineering in CIP project C411114 Rotonda West Pathway Around Parade Circle, project total is \$180,000.

Chairman Starr explained why he pulled the item and expressed concern that the roads will need to be paved in the future. Tara Musselman explained the beautification item in detail and fielded inquiries from **Commissioner Skidmore** related to the possibility of creating a beautification Municipal Service

Benefit Unit (MSBU), the reimbursement of funds for streets and drainage, and the question of tabling the item for two weeks.

COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE MOVED TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM F-4 FOR TWO WEEKS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTUS.

Ms. Musselman requested Board direction on what information to have available at that time. **Chairman Starr** requested the Board be provided with written input from the residents. Ms. Musselman indicated that she would provide the requested detail. **Commissioner Duffy** asked if complaints had been received. **Chairman Starr** responded that no complaints had been received but explained that he wanted documented evidence that there was a consensus of the residents. **Commissioner Skidmore** commented on the need to move toward the creation of beautification MSBU's in the future in order to allow for greater transparency. Ms. Musselman stated she would make a list of all the MSBU's that have beautification language in their ordinance and have been utilizing it and provide it to the Board. **Commissioner Duffy** commented on the MSBU consensus process.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

(5) **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve the award of Bid #10-337, Charlotte County Erosion Control - Stump Pass Dredging, to Southwind Construction Corporation from Evansville, IN, in the amount of \$3,763,066.10. **BUDGETED ACTION:** None. The FY11 CIP contains \$4,695,000 for construction in project c390404, Stump Pass Maintenance Dredge.

Commissioner Skidmore highlighted the efforts of all involved, discussed the importance of the item, commented on the use of federal and matching funds, indicated the West County residents support the dredging, and noted that staff is working to come up with a plan for the future.

COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM F-5, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTUS.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

(6) **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve File #11-020, Debt Collection Services, to "piggyback" off of the Pasco County Government, Request for Proposal #09-154, with NCS Plus, Inc., of New York, NY for a period of one (1) year commencing from January 1, 2011, through and including December 31, 2011; and b) Authorize the County Administrator to approve renewal options for up to three

additional one-year terms, at the same prices, terms and conditions, by mutual consent. BUDGETED ACTION: None. Funding is budgeted in various departments and used as needed.

Commissioner Skidmore commented that the item came from having a partnership with the Florida Association of Counties and is part of the Enterprise Program, commented on debt collection, and spoke in support.

COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM F-6, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTUS.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

(7) RECOMMENDED ACTION: a) Approve the termination of File #09-372, Microsoft 3-Year Volume License Renewal, effective November 9, 2010; b) Approve File #11-026, Microsoft Enterprise 3-Year License Restructure, for the price of \$319,860.36, for 1st year, with a term of November 9, 2010, through and including November 8, 2013, which this portion was awarded to Software House International (SHI) by the Florida State Contract #252-001-09-1, and c) Authorize the County Administrator to approve the annual renewal payments for second and third year. BUDGETED ACTION: None

(8) RECOMMENDED ACTION: a) Approve Amendment #1 to Contract #08-170, Survey of Historical Resources-Phase II, with Environmental Services, Inc of Jacksonville, Florida, for Phase III Archaeological Surveys in the amount of \$18,700 and a revised contract amount of \$56,200; and b) Authorize the Chairman to sign the Amendment. BUDGETED ACTION: This expense for \$18,700 is split funded in the Historical Center's departmental budget for \$9,500 and in the FCT Required Improvements capital project for \$9,200. The budget for FY11 for other contractual services in the Historical Center is \$42,695,0001.794501.575.34.0001 and for the FCT capital project \$100,000, c721101.630.06300 3001.794602.575.34.0001

Commissioner Skidmore expressed concern related to funds not coming from grant revenue but from the Capital Improvement Project (CIP) Fund, and requested Mr. Jackson come forward. Mr. Jackson addressed **Commissioner Skidmore's** concerns in detail and noted the grant money already received.

COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM F-8, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTUS.

MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

Real Estate Services

(10) **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve the attached Resolution authorizing the release of a portion of a twenty-foot (20') wide canal maintenance easement, located in Port Charlotte Subdivision, Section Fifty-Five, and further authorizing the Senior Division Manager, Real Estate Services Division, to execute a County Deed releasing said portion of said easement. (Owners: Robert L. and Diana M. Harlow) **BUDGETED ACTION:** None

Resolution 2010-104

G. Building and Growth Management - No Items.

H. Community Services

Parks and Natural Resources

(1) **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve the attached contract with Charlotte Harbor Environmental Center, Inc. (CHEC) to provide environmental programs and services to Charlotte County's Cedar Point Environmental Center (Park). **BUDGETED ACTION:** This expense is budgeted in the Natural Resources Department budget under 0001.310721.537.49.0001, Other Current Charges. The budget for this account line is \$159,643 for FY11, the expense for this contract is \$26,180.

Agreement 2010-047

Recreation

(2) **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** a) Approve stadium improvements listed; and b) Approve Budget Transfer #11-002 in the amount of \$224,119. **BUDGETED ACTION:** Approve Budget Transfer #11-002 in the amount of \$224,119. This will be needed to fund the FY11 stadium improvement projects.

Libraries and Historical

(3) **RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve partnership agreement between Charlotte County Genealogical Society and Charlotte County. **BUDGETED ACTION:** None

Agreement 2010-048

J. Economic Development - No Items.

K. Facilities Construction and Maintenance - No Items.

L. Human Resources - No Items.

M. Human Services - No Items.

N. Public Safety - No Items.

P. Public Works

(1) RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the Cooperative Funding Agreement between the Southwest Florida Water Management District and the County for the Charlotte Harbor Redevelopment Area Watershed Management Plan (L486), to ensure that the consultant meet the requirements for permitting from the Southwest Florida Water Management District. BUDGETED ACTION: None

Agreement 2010-049

(2) RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the attached Ninth Amendment of the Cooperative Agreement between Charlotte County and the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) project for the Greater Port Charlotte Flood Protection Management Plan - Implementation (K280), for Greater Port Charlotte Drainage Control Structure Replacement. BUDGETED ACTION: None. Budgeted in CIP project C390304 Greater Port Charlotte Drainage Control Structure Replacement, project total is \$41,608,000.

Q. Tourism Development - No Items.

R. Utilities - No Items.

S. Other Agencies - No Items.

V. REGULAR AGENDA

Z. Regular Agenda - No Items

VI. PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA - 10:00 A.M. - No Items.

VII. PRESENTATION AGENDA - No Items.

VIII. PUBLIC WORKSHOP AGENDA - No Items.

IX. BOARD WORKSHOP AGENDA - No Items.

X. CITIZEN INPUT - ANY SUBJECT

Joan Fischer commented on the high millage rates in Charlotte County, Hurricane Charley, Tax Increment Funding (TIF), business in City of Punta Gorda vs. Charlotte County, and recognition for Port Charlotte.

Randy Spence thanked the Commissioners and Mr. Sandrock for the Proclamation and also thanked **Commissioners Loftus and Cummings** for their dedicated service to the community.

AA. County Administrator:

Mr. Sandrock followed up on the discussion regarding the water interconnect, mentioned attending the Water Authority meeting with Ms. Knowlton the previous week, summarized recommendations made by Water Authority Staff in order to find a resolution to the problem, discussed the timeline to date and next steps, reminded the Board of the upcoming Energy Options Conference and Green Features Expo, reported on the regional Phosphate meeting held the previous day, commented on the results of the election related to the approval of all the charter amendments, and noted the change in the schedule related to reviewing county operations by April 1st.

BB. County Attorney:

Attorney Knowlton commented on three special acts discussed at the Marine Advisory Committee meeting, mentioned the prohibiting of underwater lights, spear fishing, the prohibiting of commercial fishing in Alligator Creek, stated the rules have not been enforced by Fish and Wildlife, suggested doing away with the three rules, and asked for Board direction to pass a Resolution in order to do so. **BOARD CONSENSUS TO DO AWAY WITH THE THREE RULES (Skidmore, Starr, Loftus, Duffy).**

Attorney Knowlton commented on the Charter Review Commission related to financial disclosure, mentioned the Florida Statute and Commission on Ethics, and asked for Board direction on creating a resolution or ordinance. **BOARD CONSENSUS TO LEAVE STATUTE AS IS (Loftus, Starr, Duffy).**

Attorney Knowlton indicated work was being completed on an Ordinance to be set for the December meeting for the County-wide Septic Monitoring Program and asked for Board direction on whether to continue moving forward or to wait for Senate Bill 550. **Commissioner Duffy** asked for clarification on the passing of the senate bill and inquired about the Health Department. Attorney Knowlton clarified. **Chairman Starr** gave additional explanation. **Commissioner Skidmore** explained his understanding of the Septic Tank Program. Attorney Knowlton stated she will continue with the prior Board direction and set it for hearing at the meeting in December. **BOARD CONSENSUS TO WAIT AND SEE WHAT HAPPENS WITH SENATE BILL 550 (Skidmore, Starr, Duffy).**

CC. Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Duffy advised of a special meeting being held the next day related to the next steps for the MPO Board, commented on citizens' concerns regarding high grass in the Edgewater area, mentioned discussions related to what can be done, noted expense involved, mentioned code enforcement, mentioned concerns and regulations, and asked for an update from Erin Mullen-Travis. Ms. Mullen-Travis commented on registrations related to the Abandoned Home Ordinance, talked about violations, discussed due process and the Florida Statute, answered questions and gave additional detail.

Commissioner Duffy commended **Commissioners Loftus** and **Cummings** for their service.

Commissioner Cummings thanked **Commissioner Duffy** for her comments and asked about the Water Storage Agreement. Attorney Knowlton responded in detail. **Commissioner Cummings** offered words of caution regarding pipeline and water storage issues, addressed comments related to highest millage rates and Municipal Service Benefit Units (MSBU's), mentioned comparisons, commented on the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA), sales tax expenditures, City taxes, phosphate agreement negotiations, expressed concern with the Florida Retirement System pension plan, and mentioned the 401K.

Chairman Starr advised Ms. Fischer that he will provide her with the information she requested on taxes. **Commissioner Skidmore** thanked **Commissioner Cummings** for his service, mentioned **Commissioner Loftus** serving as a School Board member and stated he should be remembered as being the King of the Kilowatt. **Commissioner Duffy** asked for detail related to the Placida Road

meeting. **Commissioner Skidmore** summarized the Placida Road discussion. **Chairman Starr** complimented **Commissioner Skidmore** for his effort at the meeting and noted the importance of input.

ADJOURNMENT: 11:10 AM

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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