

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

July 20, 2011

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

Members present were: Chairman Starr, Commissioner Constance, Commissioner Duffy, Commissioner Skidmore, County Administrator Sandrock, Assistant County Attorney Gallagher, and Deputy Clerk Carleton. The following members were absent: Commissioner Deutsch

The meeting was called to order at **5:01 P.M.**, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearings to set MSBU Rates

Bob Halfhill gave opening comments related to changes made to the MSBU's. Tara Musselman provided related financial detail.

A. Ackerman Waterway Unit - Tara Musselman, Municipal Services District Representative, Charlotte County Public Works

Advertised Rate for FY 11/12 - Vacant - \$25.00 per ERU

Advertised Rate for FY 11/12 - Occupied - \$25.00 per ERU

Proposed Maximum Rate - \$25.00 per ERU

Recurring charges, maintenance costs and future work

Ms. Musselman read the changes into the record.

Public Comment: None

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

MOTION CARRIED 4:0.

Board Action:

Ms. Musselman responded to Board inquiries and addressed concerns. Mr. Sandrock gave related detail. **Commissioner Skidmore** commented further. **Commissioner Duffy** explained background detail to the public related to access and dredging charges. **Chairman Starr** expressed concern with expenditures and charges related to the MSBU.

COMMISSIONER DUFFY MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2011-243, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE

Commissioner Skidmore commented on improving the outreach process. **Commissioner Constance** gave detail on the accruing of charges and fees.

MOTION CARRIED 3:1. CHAIRMAN STARR OPPOSING.

B. Greater Port Charlotte Street & Drainage Unit - Dawn Harrison, Municipal Services District Representative, Charlotte County Public Works

Advertised Rate for FY 11/12 - Vacant - \$163.73 per ERU

Advertised Rate for FY 11/12 - Occupied - \$149.00 per ERU

Proposed Maximum Rate - \$170.00 per ERU

First Time Assessed Properties

Dawn Harrison read the changes into the record and responded to Board inquiries. Attorney Gallagher advised Vizcaya Lakes was accepted by the Board as part of the MSBU in the previous year.

Public Comment: None

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

MOTION CARRIED 4:0.

Board Action:

COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2011-244, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DUFFY

MOTION CARRIED 4:0.

C. Burnt Store Village Street & Drainage Unit - Dawn Harrison, Municipal Services District Representative, Charlotte County Public Works

Burnt Store Village:

Advertised Rate for FY11/12 - Vacant - \$195.00 per ERU

Advertised Rate for FY11/12 - Occupied - \$195.00 per ERU

Proposed Maximum Rate - \$195.00 per ERU

Harborside Woods:

Proposed Maximum Rate Only - \$195.00 per ERU

Road resurfacing

Chairman Starr read into the record correspondence received on the proposed project and announced the number opposed and in favor. Ms. Harrison read the changes into the record, provided results of public outreach, and responded to Board inquiries.

COMMISSIONER SKIDMORE MOVED TO RE-OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE

NO VOTE TAKEN.

Public Comment:

David Servis distributed a handout to the Board and spoke in support of paving the roads.

Bob Mercier agreed with paving the roads and also announced the number of residents in support.

Paul Rochelle and Joseph Dlugosz spoke in support of paving the roads.

COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE MOVED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DUFFY

MOTION CARRIED 4:0.

Board Action:

COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2011-245, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DUFFY

Commissioner Duffy commended the residents for their efforts in the community. Mr. Halfhill and Dan Quick responded to additional Board inquiries related to survey work.

MOTION CARRIED 4:0.

D. Punta Gorda Non-Urban Street & Drainage Unit - Dawn Harrison, Municipal Services District Representative, Charlotte County Public Works

Advertised Rate for FY 11/12 - Vacant - \$98.25 per ERU

Advertised Rate for FY 11/12 - Occupied - \$92.78 per ERU

Proposed Maximum Rate - \$98.25 per ERU

First Time Assessed Properties

Ms. Harrison read the changes into the record and responded to Board inquiries related to the map.

Public Comment: None

COMMISSIONER DUFFY MOVED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE

MOTION CARRIED 4:0.

Board Action:

COMMISSIONER DUFFY MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2011-246, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE

Commissioner Constance gave detail to the public relative to road conditions. Mr. Halfhill and Alan Holbach responded to additional Board inquiries.

MOTION CARRIED 4:0.

E. Harbour Heights Street and Drainage Unit - Dawn Harrison, Municipal Services District Representative, Charlotte County Public Works

Advertised Rate for FY 11/12 - Vacant - \$152.80 per ERU

Advertised Rate for FY 11/12 - Occupied - \$136.00 per ERU

Proposed Maximum Rate - \$152.80 per ERU

First Time Assessed Properties

Ms. Harrison read the changes into the record.

Public Comment: None

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

MOTION CARRIED 4:0.

Board Action:

COMMISSIONER DUFFY MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2011-247, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE

MOTION CARRIED 4:0.

F. Suncoast Waterway Maintenance Unit - Dawn Harrison, Municipal Services District Representative, Charlotte County Public Works

Advertised Rate for FY 11/12 - Vacant - \$738.07 per ERU

Advertised Rate for FY 11/12 - Occupied - \$738.07 per ERU

Proposed Maximum Rate - \$738.07 per ERU

Maintenance dredging from the main channels

Ms. Harrison read the changes into the record and responded to Board inquiries. **Chairman Starr** read into the record correspondence received on the proposed project and announced the number of residents opposed and in favor. Mr. Halfhill responded to additional inquiries.

Public Comment:

Margaret Grubbs spoke in support of the dredging project and thanked Ms. Harrison.

Pamella Seay, Mark Stanoch, Donald Smith, Vincent Vurro, Matt Stamm, and Randy Ahrens spoke in support of the dredging project.

James Gillies submitted two pictures to the Board.

Richard Zahorniak mentioned the canal being dredged previously with no maintenance and questioned what would be different this time.

John Grubbs mentioned sending letters to the Commission, gave historical data on the canal, commented on the public outreach card results, and spoke in support.

COMMISSIONER DUFFY MOVED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE

MOTION CARRIED 4:0.

Board Action:

Commissioner Constance requested clarification that access to the river would be dredged and maintained as well as the canal, reviewed the survey card responses received, and spoke in support of the project. **Commissioner Duffy** spoke in support of the increase. Ms. Harrison, Mr. Halfhill, and Mr. Quick responded to Board inquiries. **Chairman Starr** asked for financial details of the project, questioned the dredging timeline, and stated his support is pending the outcome of information to later be provided by staff. Mr. Halfhill indicated he would look into the maintenance aspects of the project

COMMISSIONER CONSTANCE MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2011-248, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DUFFY

MOTION CARRIED 4:0.

ADJOURNED: 6:45 PM

Chairman

ATTEST:

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

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

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