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MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 8, 2020

The Trustees of the Municipal Service District held their monthly meeting on Monday, June 8, 2020 via teleconference due to COVID-19 State of Emergency at 6:00 PM.

TRUSTEES PRESENT

Brad Wester – Chairman
Al Hollon – Vice Chairman
Gary Jurenovich - Treasurer
John Cellucci
Holly Kartsonis
Mack McCuller
Kitty Switkes

Wayne Flowers - Attorney

Chairman Wester called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board of Trustees meeting minutes from May 11th were discussed. A motion was made to approve the minutes, it was seconded and carried with a 5-2 vote. Trustee Switkes and Trustee Kartsonis voted no.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jane Rollinson – On May 12, 2020 our County Commissioners, actually 4 minus our district 4 Commissioner Blocker who was on National Guard Duty, voted to deny an appeal of variances granted by the Ponte Vedra Architectural Review Committee and Ponte Vedra Zoning Board. These variances are in violation of our regulations and land development code where no hardship existed. As a result, this is being challenged in the court system through a judicial review. It has also raised the question of Ponte Vedra Beach independence. I am forming a group to again look into our independence- both Ponte Vedra wide and for the MSD. I have already contacted the Tax Policy Center to determine the impact on our taxes as 30% currently goes to the County General Fund. However, short term I am looking for action within our current structure which is to do a better job getting people appointed to the Ponte Vedra Zoning Board (PVZB) and Architectural Review Committee (ARC) that will uphold our code. Openings currently include three on the ARC and a future opening on the PVZB. My ask today is for the MSD to consider performing a formal review of the performance of both of these Boards and submit recommendations to our Commissioner for District 4 on the process and individuals currently serving. Additionally, identify and recruit people who will uphold our Land Development Code. And I would like an agenda item which the MSD considers this.

Carl Rider – No Comment.

Erik Aguilar – Congratulations to the Class of 2020 and thanked the Board for their leadership in Ponte Vedra Beach and noted that the residents are lucky to have you represent them so well. Do not forget to complete the Census.

John Reinheimer – Mr. Reinheimer wanted to know about the potential protest that is going to happen Saturday at the Ponte Vedra Inn and Club.

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT - CHAIRMAN WESTER
BEACH ACCESS / BEACH RENOURISMENT

Chairman Wester reported that he has nothing new to report on Beach Access and Beach Renourishment.

REPUBLIC – VICE CHAIRMAN HOLLON

Vice Chairman Hollon reported that the debris pile at 453 A1A N has been removed. The contact for Republic is now Seth Weightman and have asked him for the CPI and number of homes in preparation for the budget. Trustee Kartsonis reported that she would like to see the recycling center at Republic. Vice Chairman Hollon reported he will make an inquiry.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

TREASURER JURENOVICH - SHERIFF / SIDEWALKS

Treasurer Jurenovich reported he sent out the financials and there is nothing out of the ordinary. Trustee Kartsonis would like a monthly P&L with no budget. A motion was made to approve the Treasurer’s report; it was seconded and unanimously carried.

Treasurer Jurenovich reported he sent out the stats for the Sheriff’s report and asked Deputy Tedder if there was anything he would like to include. Deputy Tedder reported that the PSA’s have been helpful at Micklers. Treasurer Jurenovich reported that the one-year extension for the Sheriff contract has been signed.

Treasurer Jurenovich reported that they had a meeting on the sidewalk and have come up with a few questions for a survey to send to the MSD residents how they feel about the sidewalk. Treasurer Jurenovich reported that the Big Bang 5 K will be held again. Chairman Wester asked that we notify residents about traffic. There was discussion about the protest at the Ponte Vedra Inn and Club and Treasurer Jurenovich reported that the Sheriff office is aware.

Trustee Switkes asked for an update on the Ponte Vedra Blvd. sidewalk as this has not been discussed in a while. Chairman Wester reported that he has shared his voice that this sidewalk proposal should include the Ponte Vedra Blvd. section. Trustee Switkes asked if the Ponte Vedra Blvd. section is piggybacking the San Juan sidewalk. Chairman Wester reported that he is hoping that they are including the Ponte Vedra Blvd. section in their discussions and surveys so that we have continued loop. Trustee Switkes concern is that the PV Inn and Club has added so many new sprinklers on the right of way on the west side that people cannot walk on the grass. There was discussion about the Ponte Vedra Blvd. sidewalk and which side of the street. Trustee Kartsonis asked for an estimate and Chairman Wester reported that he had estimates of five to seven thousand dollars per lot and roughly \$40 dollars per linear foot on the east side. Trustee Kartsonis asked if it was on the west side would the homeowners still contribute and Chairman Wester reported that a quarter or a third of them would.

COMMUNICATIONS (WEBSITE) / CTF - TRUSTEE CELLUCCI

Trustee Cellucci reported that he sent out the preliminary work up on the website and moving towards the final product. Reported he attended the CTF meeting and John Wegl reported that he

had a meeting with Neil Shinkre and is optimistic there by October there will be some decisions on the intersection improvements.

BEACHES ENERGY / COMMUNICATIONS (NEWSLETTER) - TRUSTEE KARTSONIS

Trustee Kartsonis reported that Beached Energy will be replacing a number of the lights in the 900 block of Ponte Vedra Blvd. She reported that the County has a turtle lady who surveyed the lights and Beaches Energy was able to paint the side of the light that faces the beach. Trustee Kartsonis reported that in the 800 block there are no lights and no transformer in the section of Sawgrass and wants to know how to proceed. Chairman Wester asked Trustee Kartsonis to reach out to Matt Brooks and see how much it would cost to add a few lights. Trustee Kartsonis asked for the contact for the newsletter. Chairman Wester reported that he will send her that information.

Chairman Wester reported that Hart Utilities did all the subsurface work for the two new lights and the lights should be installed in the next two weeks. Trustee Switkes is going to get the tree limbs trimmed where the light is going to be installed.

ROAD AND BRIDGE / STREET SIGNS- TRUSTEE MCCULLER

Trustee McCuller reported there was depression at San Juan and Ponte Vedra Blvd. and Ben Bright fixed the problem, but it will be a continual problem until it is paved. A resident contacted me about over sprinkling at the San Juan/Ponte Vedra Blvd. intersection and the County and we will contact the resident. The JEA projected is in the late design phase and looking to October for commencement for Corona just north of Pablo which will include repaving by JEA. The County project will not take place until the end of the JEA project which could be 2022. There was a crosswalk request from a homeowner at 697 Ponte Vedra Blvd. and asked Chairman Wester for direction. Trustee Switkes reported that there is a speed limit sign at the Pablo Bridge that is not upgraded like the others. Trustee McCuller asked Treasurer Jurenovich to send him the contact information for street signs and exactly what to do. Treasurer Jurenovich thinks we should add two stop signs at the Colony. Trustee McCuller asked for a vote to get the new signs and Chairman Wester reported that there is money in budget. Chairman Wester reported that he will discuss the cross walk with the county to formulate some type of criteria.

JEA / LANDSCAPE - TRUSTEE SWITKES

Trustee Switkes reported that the water improvement project is to start in October 2020 and JEA will come to one of our meeting to present the project to the MSD. The JEA bill came and is a little high. The estimate for the irrigation is just under \$500 and since First Coast Land Care (FCLC) maintains our islands there was not a second bid requested. The plant material will be around \$2,300. Trustee Switkes reported that she needs to about \$2,800 to do this island and irrigation. A motion was made for \$3,000, seconded, and unanimously carried for Trustee Switkes to complete the putting green island. Trustee Switkes reported that she talked to two different tree trimmers and their bids were all about the same so FCLC will trim the tree and once the light is installed, we can trim additional limbs and the bid was \$225. Trustee Switkes reported that at next months meeting she will talk about the entrance to the MSD at Ponte Vedra Blvd. and San Juan. She reported on the island at Overlook that Trustee Cellucci asked her to look at. She reported that there is no visibility at this island and that there is a sign that says it is private property and if you park there you will be towed away. Trustee Switkes reported that she does not see this as an MSD project, and she is only one voice and asked the Board what they want. There was discussion about the island being private property. Trustee Cellucci reported that we would clean it up one time. Trustee Cellucci made a motion to improve the island for \$500. The motion was seconded and carried with a 5-2 vote. Trustee Switkes and Trustee Kartsonis voted no.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT – ATTORNEY FLOWERS

Attorney Flowers reported that he has nothing new to report.

NEW BUSINESS

PRELIMINARY BUDGET DISCUSSION 2020-2021

Treasurer Jurenovich reported that we received the TRIM statement from Attorney Flowers and property values are up 6.7% and this is great indicator. We take 95% of the estimate the County gives us as our ad valorem money. We should have the final number by next month's meeting, and we will have a budget discussion of the current millage and the rollback rate. Treasurer Jurenovich asked all Trustees to provide him with any numbers or any big projects that they would like to discuss at next month's meeting.

PARKING ORDINANCE

Chairman Wester reported that the revisions are in the County Attorneys hands and they reported that they expect it will be on the agenda in July. Trustee Switkes asked if this needs to come before the community as a workshop. Chairman Wester reported that it does not need to be in a public forum or a public workshop.

SHERIFF CONTRACT

Was discussed earlier.

JACK POPE POSITION

Chairman Wester reported that he asked about a position for Ponte Vedra and the County reported it is still under review. He has nothing more to report. Trustee Switkes reported that when it is appropriate, she has some eyes on projects and is keeping track.

NOISE ORDINANCE

Trustee Kartsonis reported that she at the last meeting had some time changes. Chairman Wester reported that we will discuss the light ordinance at next months meeting. Trustee Kartsonis asked what else we need to do for the noise ordinance. Chairman Wester reported for her to draw something up with the changes.

COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Commissioners Meeting is June 16th and July 7th.

NEXT MSD MEETING IS JULY 13th AT THE PONTE VEDRA BEACH LIBRARY IF AVAILABLE

Trustee Switkes asked Chairman Wester is we are going to discuss what Jane Rollinson sent at next month's meeting. Chairman Wester reported that he wants to review it and will decide if it will be on next month's agenda.

ADJOURN

A motion was made to adjourn; it was seconded and unanimously carried.
Submitted, Ann Jurenovich, MSD Secretary
(An audio of the meeting is on file.)