



Municipal Service District of Ponte Vedra Beach
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MEETING MINUTES
JULY 13, 2020

The Trustees of the Municipal Service District held their monthly meeting on Monday, June 13, 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 June 8th were discussed. Trustee Hollon had a name spelling correction. A motion was made to approve the minutes with the correction, it was seconded and unanimously carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Katherine Lebold –500 Morning Side Drive - reported that her neighbor at 500 Le Master hedge is very high and asked them if they could trim a portion of their hedge so that she see the Christ Church Bell tower from my back yard which she used to be able to see. Trustee Switkes reported she would contact her and let her know how the system works with the Ponte Vedra Zoning.

Dr. Erik Aguilar – reported that he is running for congress and appreciates the great leadership in Ponte Vedra Beach and everything that the MSD Board does and will be here for you if elected.

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

Chairman Wester reported that on Beach Access there has been some bike repairs installed at Micklers for anyone who needs bike repair. Tomorrow the St. Johns County Sheriff office will have a shed dropped off and it will give more police presence. Trustee Switkes explained about the bike fix it and asked if there is a way, we can have some signage to let people know there is a bike station on-site. Chairman Wester reported that we can explore this as it is very new.

REPUBLIC – VICE CHAIRMAN HOLLON

Vice Chairman Hollon reported that he received a complaint from a resident on San Juan about trash pickup that have been resolved. He reported that he had some side door pickup complaints and talked to the Supervisor and this issue has also been resolved. Republic has a new District Manager and he sent me the CPI increase is 3% so our rate went from 11.78 to 12.10 per household. Trustee Switkes reported that some of the MSD Friday yard trash not being picked up and they said they are behind. Vice Chairman Hollon reported that he has spoken to Republic about this and will re-address it. Trustee Kartsonis asked who collects the garbage on the beach as the bins are full. Trustee Hollon reported it is the County and not Republic and Chairman Wester reported he will speak with them.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

TREASURER JURENOVICH - SHERIFF / SIDEWALKS

Treasurer Jurenovich reported he sent out the financials and there is nothing out of the ordinary. Trustee Kartsonis asked Treasurer Jurenovich why the Secretary did not send out the information she asked her to regarding the budget as she believes that when the Secretary is asked to do something that she should do it. Treasurer Jurenovich reported that he did not want her to send out that report. A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's report; it was seconded and unanimously carried.

Treasurer Jurenovich reported he sent the audit to everyone by mail and it was submitted timely to the State by June 30th. The Sheriff's report was sent out and the only incident was a sign that was run over on Ocean Course and Trustee McCuller has the information.

Treasurer Jurenovich reported that Karl has moved out of the MSD and Barb Roberts is taking over. Scott Peterson is our new contact and we are still moving forward with the sidewalk. Treasurer Jurenovich reported that the MSD sent out a survey on the website and will compile the results for the next meeting.

Treasurer Jurenovich reported that the residents on the private road section of San Diego want to have their section paved when they pave San Diego and they are working with the contractor.

Chairman Wester asked about the parking tickets declining from May to June. Treasurer Jurenovich reported that he investigated that, and it is a due to the No Parking Signs. Chairman Wester asked Deputy Tedder if had anything to report. He reported that they are dealing with golf carts parking at the San Juan beach access and Deputy Watson dealt with them and they were all from Jacksonville Beach.

COMMUNICATIONS (WEBSITE) / CTF - TRUSTEE CELLUCCI

Trustee Cellucci reported that the new website is up and running. Reported he attended the CTF meeting and are thrilled that the Governor did not veto the money for the Solana Road intersection. The two big intersections are Solana and A1A and Micklers and A1A. There was discussion about the website and the placement of information. Trustee Switkes reported that her picture is missing and Trustee Cellucci reported he will speak with the webmaster.

BEACHES ENERGY / COMMUNICATIONS (NEWSLETTER) - TRUSTEE KARTSONIS

Trustee Kartsonis reported that Beaches Energy is working on the maintenance of the lights and met with a representative to discuss new lights near Sawgrass on the Boulevard. She reported that they do not have a plan yet, but they discussed putting three light on each side of the street by a transformer. The cost will be around \$13,000 and when she received the plan for the new poles, she will send it to the Trustees. There was discussion about maintenance. Trustee Kartsonis reported that she is working on the newsletter and is collecting pictures.

Chairman Wester reported that there were two lights installed at San Juan. One at PVB and one at Murle's Median and he appreciates the Board approving these two lights as an added safety feature.

ROAD AND BRIDGE / STREET SIGNS- TRUSTEE MCCULLER

Trustee McCuller reported he ordered five signs and should receive them in mid-August at the PV Golf Club. He reported that he needs guidance on installation for these signs and does not mind hiring Trustee Jurenovich's son to do this if the Board is in approval. There was no objection.

Trustee McCuller reported that the repaving of A1A from Corona North is part of the JEA project which is scheduled to start in November. Trustee Switkes asked about the pole that was hit in her neighborhood if it could be removed. Treasurer Jurenovich reported that he will have it removed.

JEA / LANDSCAPE - TRUSTEE SWITKES

Trustee Switkes reported that the water improvement project will begin in November and they will attend a meeting before the project begins to inform the residents. Putting green island is completed and my final budget was under \$3,000. Trustee Switkes would like the Board to consider adding some coquina to the pebbles at the end of the island for an additional \$300. She reported that Corona and A1A along with Pablo Court have been re-pine strawed. She would like to add some sod to the new light at San Juan and Ponte Vedra Blvd. Chairman Wester reported that we do not need any sod, it just needs to be raked and graded better and he will do it. Trustee Switkes asked about her request to add some coquina to the pebbles and Chairman Wester said let keep an eye on it. Trustee Cellucci asked about the fire hydrants as he thinks there are some that are not workable. Trustee Switkes reported that she mentions the maintenance to Greg every month and to send her a list of the ones he thinks are not workable and she will forward it to JEA.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT – ATTORNEY FLOWERS

Attorney Flowers congratulation to Trustee Wester, Cellucci and Switkes for being reelected to the Board. There was discussion about the executive order from the Governor regarding meetings. Chairman Wester asked the secretary if we have a meeting room for next month and she reported yes at Our Lady Star of the Sea.

NEW BUSINESS

PRELIMINARY BUDGET DISCUSSION 2020-2021

Treasurer Jurenovich reported that he sent out the budget projections and explained the spreadsheet and the Charter for reserves. He explained the \$105,000 for the sidewalk and increased the emergency cleanup fund. Treasurer Jurenovich asked the Trustee to provide him with any additional expenditures. He thinks we should put additional lights on the sidewalk down by Sawgrass and any additional landscaping projects. Trustee Kartsonis would like to add the lights for Sawgrass to this year's budget and she estimates it to cost between \$13,000 - \$15,000 and add additional money for additional poles in 2020-2021. Treasurer Jurenovich asked her to get an invoice from Beaches Energy. Trustee Kartsonis would like to add a budget number to Code Enforcement. There was discussion about the reserves and how with increased property values we are receiving more money. Treasurer Jurenovich reported that the \$200,000 reserve cap was made in 1982 and he personally thinks our contingency reserves should be around \$500,000. Trustee Hollon reported that the \$200,000 cap was an amendment to the Charter around 2002 and before 2002 there was not a cap. Chairman Wester reported that we are here to vote on the millage rate and then we can continue our discussions. Chairman Wester reported that he proposes that we keep the rate at .375. A motion was made, second and carried with a 6-1 vote with Trustee Kartsonis voting no.

Chairman Wester reported that we need to show a stronger commitment on the sidewalk, and we have the money to appropriate funds more than 20%. Chairman Wester reported that we need to change the formula on the sidewalk. Chairman Wester agrees that we should put additional lights down at Sawgrass and since we have the money, we need to increase the sidewalk budget to \$125,000. Trustee Cellucci reported that we have had four sidewalk projects that used the same formula and it is not fair to our residents who paid this. Trustee Switkes reported that it was her recollection that John Wegl did commit more than 20% to get the job done. Treasurer Jurenovich

reported that he was a part of the project and the MSD cost was less than 20% and the County paid more. Chairman Wester reported that he would like to change the formula. Trustee Switkes reported that she agrees and would like to take vote on changing the formula. Chairman Wester wants to vote to increase the sidewalk budget to \$125,000. Treasurer Jurenovich reported that we can put the \$125,000 in the budget but changing the 20% the MSD contributes is different. Chairman Wester asked if there was any additional budget discussion.

Trustee Cellucci reported that a neighbor approached him about putting up American Flags on streetlights for holidays from Miranda down to Sawgrass American Flags. Trustee Cellucci reported on the process, storage and working with the PV Inn and Club and Beaches Energy. Trustee Cellucci will have more information at next month's meeting.

PARKING ORDINANCE

Chairman Wester reported that this has not been on the agenda at Commissioners meeting.

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.

NOISE ORDINANCE

Chairman Wester reported that the next step is to get in touch with the County Attorney. Vice Chairman Hollon reported he did some research and the way this is written is rather vague. Attorney Flowers reported that we need to see if the County wants to make changes and secondly if what they written is enforceable. Trustee Kartsonis reported that we do not need to change the language but just the time. Vice Chairman Hollon reported that he will work on tweaking the language and send it to the Board for review.

LIGHTING ORDINANCE

Chairman Wester asked Trustee Kartsonis if we can discuss this at next month's meeting due to the time.

COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Commissioners Meeting emergency meeting tomorrow regular meeting is July 21st and August 4th.

NEXT MSD MEETING IS AUGUST 10TH AT OUR LADY STAR

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.)