

MSBU Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes 08.10.2020

| MEMBER 1 | MEMBER 2 | MEMBER 3 | MEMBER 4 | MEMBER 5 |
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| Cherry Sherman | Andrea Smith- Blackwood | Kathy Gesslein | Gary Hartman (CHAIR) | Scott Parrish (VICE CHAIR) |

- **COMMITTEE ROLE CALL**

- Call to Order @ 6:00pm
- All members present

- **ADOPT PREVIOUS MINUTES**

- Minutes of 13 July 2020. Kathy Gesslein made a motion to adopt minutes as written and seconded by Cherry Sherman. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- **ADOPT AGENDA:**

- The Chairman asked for a motion to adopt and Scott Parrish asked that mowing be addressed for some roads and the park. The coordinator suggested that this be added to next month since there was already a contract for mowing, however, the intent was to address county mowing versus what is under contract. Some discussion followed and it was suggested by Commissioner Joyner to add this under the County Administrator section of the agenda. Unfortunately, the request for a motion to accept the agenda as amended was not revisited and the meeting proceeded as though the agenda was accepted.

- **NON-AGENDA AUDIENCE**

- David Daily – Respectfully inquired as to the possibility of having an invocation added to the beginning of the meeting. He addressed that many other functions of government on Federal, State, and Local levels regularly begin with an invocation. The Chairman offered his opinion and called for a motion. Scott Parrish made the motion to add the discussion of an invocation to the next meeting agenda. Seconded by Kathy Gesslein and the motion carried.

- **AGENDA ITEMS**

- **Crime Watch Program** – The MSBU Coordinator briefed that this program should be addressed as a community program and as such it will be dependent upon community participation. The MSBU Committee has already expressed desire to support the program as was indicated in a motion taken up during the July meeting. The MSBU Coordinator informed the committee that he would call a special community meeting to address the Crime Watch Program to see if there is desire within the community to

support the program. If there is no community involvement, then the program will not get off the ground.

- There was much discussion on a group of subjects to include county grass cutting, Wilder Park mowing and improvements, filling in cul-de-sac on Thrush Ct, statement from audience member that no roads are being paved, GSG non-performance as originally expected, and other topics that were not addressed as part of the agenda. Although much of the discussion is beneficial to the community it would be best to have specific topics for the agenda. Not having a structured agenda is basically very disruptive to a planned meeting that should be following some procedures like those identified in Robert's Rule of Order. The audience has an opportunity to discuss items during the non-agenda portion of the meeting or better yet, contact a committee member and have an item added to the agenda prior to the meeting. Committee members have an opportunity to make changes to the agenda prior to adopting the agenda for the meeting. Once the meeting agenda is adopted the foundation of the meeting is set in place and should be followed.
- **MSBU COORDINATOR UPDATES**
 - **Road Project Update** – The coordinator briefed that the project has begun. The contractor was out scraping the road edges in preparation of paving.
 - **Update on Fountain** – The fountain is working (for now). The coordinator indicated the southside needed to be taken apart to clean leaves out. The northside was repaired using brass fittings to prevent the cracking of pipes at the pump.
 - **Sunshine Laws Training/Ethics** – The MSBU Coordinator provided information on the required training and documenting the results. Chairman requested that individual committee members complete training as soon as they can. MSBU2 requested the information be resent.
 - **Assessment Increase Status** - There was much discussion on the assessment increase and why we have not been able to get it done at the 5% identified in the ordinance. The MSBU Committee had expectations that GSG was going to provide a solid roadmap on how an MSBU operates and how to move forward with increasing the assessment.
 - **Additional Comment by MSBU Coordinator** – With regards to the light on Shelby Ct the coordinator contacted the appropriate individual at Gulf Power and it was determined that the previous homeowner had requested it be turned on and the current owner requested it turned off and now wants it turned on as part of MSBU. Committee agreed that it would be a homeowner responsibility.
- **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**
 - Commissioner Joyner was present and offered his support in the area of getting Thrush Ct addressed by Public Works and inquiring about the assessment increase.

- Mowing requested by Scott Parrish - There was discussion on how often the county cuts the roadsides and which roads. Commissioner Joyner mentioned that there had been a dedicated person assigned however he quit his job and county is short personnel. The county tries to get cutting done twice a year. The majority of roads addressed by the county mowing are in sparsely populated areas.
- **ADJOURN**
- Next meeting scheduled for 15 Sept 2020 @ 6pm
- Motion to Adjourn made by Andrea Smith-Blackwood, Seconded by Cherry Sherman; motion carried.
- Meeting Adjourned @ 7:14pm