

MSBU Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes 04.07.2021

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

- **COMMITTEE ROLE CALL**

- Call to Order @ 6:04pm
- All members present
- Pledge of Allegiance

- **ADOPT PREVIOUS MINUTES**

- Minutes of 12 January 2021. Motion to adopt made by Kathy Gesslein seconded by Scott Parrish. Motion carried unanimously.

- **ADOPT AGENDA:**

- A motion to adopt was made by Kathy Gesslein seconded by Scott Parrish. Motion carried unanimously.

- **NON-AGENDA AUDIENCE**

- None

- **AGENDA ITEMS**

- **Crime Watch Funding – Gary Hartman:** Gary explained an email that was received concerning the use of MSBU funds to fund the Sheriff Dept through Crime Watch to address speeding and such. It was determined by county counsel that this was an inappropriate use of funds. Gary commented that he had done research whereby the results indicated that the Crime Watch program was previously funded by the SHCA and not the MSBU directly. Agenda item was informational only and no vote was taken or required.

- **Cavalier Dr – Gary Hartman:** Gary made a presentation to the BOCC at the March 2021 meeting concerning Cavalier Dr. He indicated that there are only two homes within the 261 lots serviced by Cavalier Dr and roads connecting to Cavalier Dr. The resulting road condition was and is caused by the public hauling boats down to the landing. Most of the public using the road does not even reside within Sunny Hills. He expressed that the MSBU should not be held responsible to repair Cavalier Dr and asked that the county take notice to address and evaluate the situation. Agenda item was informational only and no vote was taken or required.

- **Wilder Park Discussion – Scott Parrish:** Scott wanted to know where we stand with making improvements to Wilder Park. The coordinator indicated that this would be addressed when it got to his portion of the meeting, however, this was discussed at this point. Questions asked: How far has the coordinator gotten with the county? Where do we stand with cameras? Can we fund park projects? Are parks considered Common Areas within the MSBU Ordinance? Can the MSBU purchase Wilder Park? Can the MSBU purchase land and turn it into a park? These questions led to much discussion. The coordinator presented to the committee a cost breakdown of estimates to completely refurbish the park. The estimated cost totaled roughly \$30k. The coordinator (acting as a concerned citizen and this was expressed many times) was concerned with getting the playground area repaired and up to safety standards first and foremost. The coordinator explained that he was making a presentation to the BOCC in April as a concerned citizen and not as the MSBU Coordinator. It was mentioned that the septic was being addressed. The plan for cameras was shot down by the denial of utilizing Gulf Power poles. A new plan will have to be addressed by the county. Jim Towne commented that the Community Bldg was originally slated for Wilder Park, but Deltona would not approve. Land was donated for the Community Bldg. The coordinator had expressed his **personal opinion** on going 50/50 with the county to get the park repaired. The coordinator mentioned that when his idea was put forward it was mentioned that there may be legal roadblocks and the coordinator expressed, he is not a lawyer, and any plan can only go forward if deemed legal by counsel. Gary mentioned that there may be grants for parks however these are very specific and could take a long time. The coordinator mentioned that the county was looking to add Wilder Park and the Community Center to a mowing contract due to unavailability of work crews. Scott mentioned that if we can pay for this mowing then we should be able to pay for park improvements. The coordinator stated the MSBU would not be paying, and that the county would be looking at another contract vehicle. It was the coconscious of the MSBU Committee that they agree to work with the county by sharing costs for the improvement of Wilder Park providing there is a legal footing in doing so. No vote was taken at this time since there are no specific details.

- **MSBU COORDINATOR UPDATES**

- **Status of Shenandoah light installation:** The coordinator provided committee members with updated information received from Connie Ogilby indicating the cost of the lights was reduced to \$2412.78 and that the monthly charge was also reduced. Lights have been paid for and once Connie receives notification, they will be scheduled for install.
- **Mowing Contract:** The contract extension was approved for the same scope and cost as the current contract period. The new period runs through 30 April 2022. There is one more extension available on the existing contract that could be exercised.
- **Wilder Park Playground Repairs:** See comments above.
- **Repaving Plan for 2021:** The repaving plan will be presented to the BOCC at the 15 April 2021 meeting. The coordinator mentioned that for the plan to be implemented as presented it will require use of a portion of next year funds and estimated costs to be spot on. Changes to the plan will have to be addressed after bids are received.

- **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

- Not Present

- **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- Jannine Thomas asked if Public Works budgeted yearly for park upkeep and repair. Suggested to inquire if there is a plan to address parks.

- **ADJOURN**

- Next meeting scheduled for 7 July 2021 @ 6pm
- Motion to Adjourn made by Scott Parrish, seconded by Andrea Smith-Blackwood; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:09pm.