

MSBU Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes 04.04.2023

MEMBER 1	MEMBER 2	MEMBER 3	MEMBER 4	MEMBER 5
	Co-Chair			Chair
Cherry Sherman	Andrea Smith- Blackwood	Kathy Gesslein	Bettylee Weekley	Scott Parrish

- **COMMITTEE ROLE ROLL CALL**

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

- **ADOPT PREVIOUS MINUTES**

- Minutes of 18 January 2023. Motion to adopt made by Cherry Sherman seconded by Andrea Smith-Blackwood. Motion carried unanimously.

- **ADOPT AGENDA:**

- Kathy Gesslein requested the addition of trimming palm trees at entrance.
- A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Cherry Sherman seconded by Andrea Smith-Blackwood. Motion carried unanimously.

- **NON-AGENDA AUDIENCE**

- John Sieben asked a question on how litter can be addressed. The Chairman stated that we would discuss this later in the meeting.

- **AGENDA ITEMS**

- **Introduction of new committee member** - The MSBU Coordinator introduced new MSBU Committee member Bettylee Weekley.
- **Plan for reorganization in May** - This was mentioned just to make committee members aware that the reorganization is due in May. A new Chairman and Co-chair need to be voted on at the May meeting. No action required at this time.

- **Set date for May meeting** - The coordinator mentioned that the 2nd or 9th would be the best dates for the meeting. After some discussion it was mentioned that the 9th would be best. Motion made by Kathy Gesslein to have meeting on 9 May second by Andrea Smith-Blackwood. Motion carried.
- **Assessment Increase of 5% (\$35.18 to \$36.94)** - The committee had some discussion and asked the audience for comments, no comments were made. It was mentioned by Kathy Gesslein that the 5% increase was designated in the new ordinance to make community improvements. Motion was made by Andrea Smith-Blackwood to increase the assessment 5%, second by Cherry Sherman. Motion carried.
- **Mowing SHCA building** - The coordinator provided the committee with a cost estimate per mowing event for mowing around the SHCA building. Kathy Gesslein inquired where this idea came from. She was informed that this was discussed at the 18 January 2023 meeting. Kathy stated that the SHCA building is private property and a **501(C)4**. She read an MSBU overview that was written by Jeff Goodman in 2013. The coordinator mentioned that he thought he had read somewhere about common areas but would have to do further research to confirm. Kathy Gesslein also stated that all members of **the** MSBU Committee **who are also** members **of** the SHCA ~~who are also~~ would have to refrain from voting. This led to chuckles since that would leave no one able to vote. The idea was tabled until research can be completed. No motion or vote taken.
- **Landscape around electronic sign** - The coordinator provided the committee with a proposal to landscape around the Electronic Sign. The bid proposal received was from FreshCut for \$750. There will be a border three feet from each side of the sign and it will be filled with white stone. The landscaping will provide a boundary around the sign which will help in protecting the sign during mowing and weed whacking. A motion to accept the bid and proceed with landscaping was made by Bettylee Weekley, second by Kathy Gesslein. Motion carried
- **Possible addendum to FY23 Road Project** - The coordinator provided each committee member with documentation on the FY23 Road Project and explained the process of bids. The coordinator informed the committee that he may be looking to amend the contract in an effort to get the most bang for the buck. The coordinator will not have any updated cost information until a meeting with the contractor, engineer, and MSBU Coordinator can be held on location. The coordinator hopes to have this information for the next meeting and will also have to go before the BOCC. No action required at this time.

- **MSBU COORDINATOR UPDATES**

- **Preliminary FY24 Budget Forecast** - The coordinator provided committee members with a preliminary proposed budget for FY24 based on the proposed 5% assessment increase. This was for informational purposes only and the budget will be solidified after BOCC action.
- **Electronic Sign repair** - The coordinator provided the committee with an invoice for parts that were replaced in hopes of getting the light working again. The parts did not solve the problem so a new light will have to be ordered.
- **FY23 Road Project update** – The coordinator briefed on the delay in the paving project. Anderson Columbia asphalt plant has been down, and the project was bid utilizing this plant. This has also caused a delay in a lot of other road projects. It is hopeful the plant will be back in operation soon and progress can be made.
- **Update on Entrance Signs** –Nothing to report. The coordinator has not had the opportunity to meet with sign companies and more research is needed.

- **Street Light Outages** - The coordinator briefed that reporting light outages is everyone's responsibility and provided a link [FPL Northwest Region | My Account](#) to do so.
- **Next Meeting Date** – Set for 9 May 2023, see above.

- **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

- Administrator Not Available

- **PUBLIC COMMENTS/DISCUSSIONS**

- There was a discussion on roadside trash and bulk pickup. Scott Parrish offered that he had spoken with Deltona about a plan to get a dumpster once a month or so which would allow for a place to drop off unwanted items and provide a place to drop off items from dumpsites throughout Sunny Hills picked up by volunteers. Scott mentioned we need to find a way to pick up and dispose of mattresses and such.

John Sieben offered an idea on getting speeding violators and other violators to work community service hours by picking up trash. There was some discussion, but the bottom line is that the MSBU is not the police and could not manage this.

The question was raised if the MSBU could fund an inmate work crew dedicated to Sunny Hills.

- Scott Parrish questioned the status of Wilder Park and what actions are being taken and whether the MSBU could fund improvements or not.

Jason Paradigm said that the park belonged to the county and not the MSBU. Much discussion followed whereas the MSBU Coordinator mentioned that concerned citizens need to address their concerns in front of the BOCC not as MSBU Committee members or SHCA members, but as concerned citizens. Continuous complaining amongst citizens either at an MSBU meeting or a SHCA meeting will never fix the problem.

- Scott Parrish asked about Cavalier Dr and what actions the county may have planned for repair. This is a follow-up to a problem road that was presented to the BOCC by Gary Hartman when he was the MSBU Chairman. It was mentioned that Peak Dr had been completed.
- Randall Weekley offered that anyone going before the BOCC should prepare themselves and not just go in complaining. He also mentioned that there is no way to stop the trash or dumping in Sunny Hills due to the vast area. He stated that unless the approach to solving problems changes, actions will not change. We are still in 1974!

- **ADJOURN**

- Motion to Adjourn made by Bettylee Weekley, second by Kathy Gesslein. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:16pm.