



Rock Road
M. S. T. U. Advisory Committee
3299 East Tamiami Trail
Naples, FL 34112

Minutes
May 29, 2013

I. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Collier County Extension Office (Agricultural Center) 14700 Immokalee Road, Naples, FL 34120

II. Attendance / Roll Call - Roll call was taken.

Present: Members

Ms. Renee Darcy
Mr. Douglas Allemong
Mr. Daniel Wing (Chairman)

Staff

Darryl Richard
Michelle Arnold
Steve Carnell
John Vliet
Jim Flannigan
Tessie Sillery
Harry Sells

III. Approval of the Agenda

Agenda was approved by consent of the advisory committee.

IV. Transportation Services Report

A. Asphalt Pavement

Michelle Arnold, Director ATM Department introduced the advisory committee members and staff present. Advisory Committee Chairman, Dan Wing took the floor and explained that there is an offer from Road & Bridge to asphalt Rock Road for \$150,000 and that the meeting was being held to review this proposal with the community. Mr. Wing explained that in order for the asphalt work to be done – the road would have to be designated “public” with a dedicated easement and that the loan of \$150,000 for the project would have to be repaid over a 20 year period. Additionally, because the paving would not be up to County standards, the ongoing maintenance of the road would be the responsibility of the MSTU.

Discussion ensued with residents who live within Rock Road MSTU. Mr. Mark Bell expressed concern over the roadway becoming ‘public’ and asked if there’s a way that the asphalt could be done without the road becoming public.

Michelle Arnold addressed this question by clarifying that the roadway had to be a public road for public funds to be used for the asphalt surfacing project.

Mr. John Vliet reiterated that in order to proceed there would have to be easements and the project is estimated to cost \$150,000.

Mr. Doug Allemong stated that it makes sense to asphalt the roadway as the MSTU would continue to spend money each year equaling approximately \$25,000 that would continue to wash away – as the lime rock continues to deteriorate. Doug said that he met with Commissioner Tim Nance, District 5, who is the Commissioner for Rock Road MSTU, per the advisory committee’s recommendation. Doug explained that the County would become the ‘lender’ for the \$150,000 in funds and repayment would be by the MSTU per the proposal.

Staff indicated that there would have to be review by the Collier County Finance Committee and much would be contingent upon that review and approval of the proposal in order to move forward.

B. Draft Ballot

Staff directed the public to the ‘ballot’ that is to be filled out by the property owners who live within Rock Road MSTU. (Ballots received: 2 in favor & 3 not in favor; no additional ballots have been received by staff)

V. Future Meeting Date - To be determined

VI. Public Comment

There was a lot of public comment regarding the paving proposal. Many residents spoke out “in favor” of the proposal as they are tired of driving down a lime rock road. And many residents also spoke out as “not in favor” of the proposal – with some stating that they didn’t want the roadway to become a ‘public’ road.

(The sign in sheet for the public in attendance is attached.)

There being no further business for the good of the County, the Meeting was adjourned by order of the Chair at 7:30 PM.

**ROCK ROAD M.S.T.U. ADVISORY
COMMITTEE**

Daniel Wing, Chairman

The Minutes were approved by the Committee Chair on _____, 2013,
“as submitted” **OR** “as amended” .