# **To the Forest Lakes Community**

### Subject:

Forest Lakes Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU), its purpose and responsibilities

#### What is an MSTU?

An MSTU is a tax based on the assessed property value and addresses capital improvements that typical require continued maintenance obligations.

## **Forest Lakes MSTU Purpose:**

The Unit has been created and established with the following responsibilities

- providing, installing and maintaining improved roadway lighting, traffic control signage and devices;
- installation of sidewalks and related amenities;
- beautification and maintenance of areas within the MSTU; and
- construction of roadways, roadway improvements and roadway-related drainage and roadway restoration within the area of the Unit as determined by the Advisory Committee.

All work performed by the MSTU must be conducted within a public Right-of-way (ROW) or easement.

## Facilities currently under the MSTU responsibilities:

- Front entrance landscaping maintenance
- Street trees pruning on Forest Lakes Boulevard (Single Family section)
- Street lights on Forest Lakes Boulevard & Woodshire Lane
- Sidewalks
- Lake pumps
- Golf Course swales for drainage
- Drainage structures
- Roadway paving

If you have any questions or concerns about the items noted in this advisory you can call the County at 239-252-5840 for assistance. You are also welcomed to attend the monthly MSTU Advisory Committee meetings that are held at 10:00 a.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at 1058 Forest Lakes Drive (Forest Lake Condominium Association Clubhouse).