

MINUTES OF THE MORSE SHORES STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE MEETING
APRIL 4, 2011, 230 GEORGIA AVENUE, FT. MYERS, FL

In attendance:

Members of the Committee:

Hartmut Hofacker, Chairperson

Nick Benvin

Clarence (Pete) Bowman

Violet Clemson

Phyllis Goins, Secretary

Lee County Representative:

Donna DeBerry

Hartmut Hofacker called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. After members reviewed the minutes of last year's meeting, Pete moved to approve them as recorded. Nick seconded and all members approved.

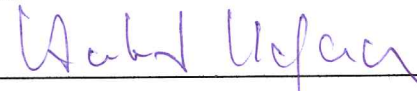
There has been a delay in getting an additional light installed on Maine Avenue. Although the property owner indicated willingness to host the light, the necessary legal easement wasn't obtained and the property now appears to be in foreclosure. Thus the probability of completing the installation this year is slim. The Committee discussed whether to delete the new light funding in the budget, but finally decided to leave it in place.

Donna then distributed and reviewed a Budget Worksheet for the Morse Shores Lighting District. The worksheet shows the yearly changes in taxable values for Morse Shores properties since FY2005. We experienced a major decrease in property values between 2007 and 2011, with another decrease anticipated for this year. The Committee must determine the amount of money needed to fund the lighting program. Then after the property appraiser releases new property values in June, a final millage rate will be set to raise the needed funds. Most costs for the coming year are expected to remain stable. The exception is electric. The preliminary budget includes approximately \$1000 more than the anticipated cost of electricity this year. This brings the final Morse Shores Lighting District budget for FY2011-2012 to \$11,808.

Nick moved adoption of the budget, Pete seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Submitted by Hartmut Hofacker



Chairman

Phyllis Goins



Secretary