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4/5/11

Minutes of Fort Myers Villas Streetlight District

Home of Micheal Dinko

Call to order @4:00 pm

Donna DeBerry MSTBU Coordinator

Attend by: William Smith, Chairman; Michael Dinko, Co-Chair and Becki Johnson. Absent:

Annette Trossbach, Secretary

Quorum confirmed

W Smith made a motion to approve 4/21/08 minutes, M Dinko seconded...all in favor

D DeBerry distributed Budget Worksheet

M Dinko asked about millage rate 2007 vs 2011. D DeBerry will check on 2007, Dinko said not necessary after discussion

Property appraisals say to expect another dip before we see properties evening out

Anticipate a 2% tax increase for 2011 \$26,843 (no cash in until November and later)

Judy Piesco requested street lights at Kent & Fordham, LaSalle & Fordham. However, this is in Villa Palms Street Lighting area. D DeBerry will advise Ms. Piesco.

The committee had a long discussion about where "dark spots" are and if lights should be considered. W Smith has done an extensive drive around in the past and had a few suggestions.

M Dinko advised putting one (1) light and one (1) pole in the budget

Discussed cost of installing new light, public safety issues due to vacant homes, reviewed last meeting minutes for lights

Committee agreed to start with a light on Sunrise between Beacon & Austin and continue looking at any other "dark spots"

Second location on Chateam between Chandler & Dover.

Third location on Epraim Ave between Dartmouth & Exeter St. There is an existing pole

Note: If we have need for lights with no poles there will be extra charges

DeBerry will give us a form from FPL to run lines, give DeBerry pole # or address

It will be important to get approval from the property owners if and when lines will be ran on their property

With 3 new lights the lighting budget will be \$18,470, millage 0.4194 (Villas has 120 lights at this time)

DeBerry said to be sure to look for: where power source/existing poles and "transformer" are located, give exact locations to DeBerry when lights are required. This is important due to the cost.

Meeting adjourned @ 6pm by M Dinko, seconded by W Smith.