

Lighting District Meeting 4/20/11 @ Fort Myers Shores Fire Dept. (6:00PM)
Attendance:, Dennis Lesser, Geof Greene and Janet Tripp
Absent: Bob Lee
Coordinator Donna DeBerry

Chairman Dennis Lesser called the meeting to order.
Geof Greene made a motion to approve the minutes, 2nd by Dennis Lesser.

Janet Tripp said that Marianne Visco has agreed to serve on the lighting committee.
Donna said she would have to fill out an application. It has to be approved by the Commissioners. To get the application go to the County website;to BOCC link (advisory position) Janet will inform Marianne.

Janet indicated she had been contacted by a homeowner on Havana. There was a private street light from FPL installed there for some time. The property owner who had been paying for the light, had moved away. This portion of the street(north end) is quite dark. The homeowner requested a light to be installed in its place. Last year we agreed to install three (3) lights one on Davis, one on Isle of Palms and one on De Moya. We were able to install a light on Davis and Isle of Palm. Although we had budgeted monies for year 2010-2011 for the three lights, the De Moya light had not been requested. Janet asked to use the remaining budgeted monies to install the light on Havana instead of De Moya. Discussion followed. We cannot utilize the existing private pole (there is a difference between public poles and private poles) If the light can be installed, the costs would include \$800 for the pole and \$1,500 for the transformer It was agreed that since it is already in our budget we would request the installation. Donna will make the request to FPL. There was discussion regarding trees interfering with the lines. The homeowner is responsible for keeping their trees on their site trimmed away from the power lines.

Coordinator Donna DeBerry went over the budget. With property values declining we need to increase our mileage. Last years 2010-2011 budget/mileage was 0.2770 This year 2011-2012 budget/mileage will increase to 0.3447 which equates to \$34.47 per \$100,000 of Taxable value. The Tax Collector receives 2% of total Advalorem taxes and there is an administration charge-MSTBU of \$2,075

It was agreed not to set aside monies for next years additional placement of lights. Our average inventory is 223 lights. We are on a holding pattern until the economy picks up.

Dennis made a motion to adjourn 2nd by Geof Greene
Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted
Janet Tripp
Secretary

