

**Public Meeting of the
Street Light Advisory Committee
Official Minutes
Thursday, January 16, 2020, 5:30 P.M.
City of Bonita Springs
9101 Bonita Beach Road, Room 118
Bonita Springs, Florida 34135**

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER.

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL.

Present

David Schmitt
Robin Hulsizer
Robert Raubolt
Anna Brockway
Tracy MacFarlane
Bob Bornstein
Paul Sheldon
Kathy McGrath

Staff

Matt Feeney

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF November 21, 2019

Mr. Raubolt made a motion to approve the November 21, 2019 meeting minutes, Ms. McGrath seconded; motion approved unanimously.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comment.

V. OLD BUSINESS:

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

Request for Street Lights on the following:

Mr. Feeney reported on the following of requests for additional lighting.

- Shangri-La Road

Mr. Feeney explained the request for Shangri-La Road is for the area from the new high school west bound towards Windley Key

Terrace and may extend all the way to Old 41. Mr. Feeney stated there are no lights in the area, so it is a reasonable request.

Board member asked if there were any neighbors who would object. Mr. Feeney stated that is always a concern, but the major concern is public safety.

Mr. Feeney suggested the Committee members drive through the area and make a recommendation at the next meeting.

Ms. Brockway asked where she should look. Mr. Feeney recommended looking from Imperial Parkway to Old 41.

Mr. Raubolt made a motion that FPL provide a proposal for lighting for next meeting, Ms. McGrath seconded; motion passed unanimously.

- Pine Lake Road

Mr. Feeney reported the individual who made the request lives at 4385 Pine Lake Road, about 500 feet in from Imperial Shores Blvd.

Mr. Feeney explained that Pine Lake Road, runs parallel to Bonita Beach Road between Imperial Shores Blvd. and Okeana Street. They have a lot of bicycle/pedestrian traffic on this street. The resident's concern is that they do not have any streetlights on that road, there are no sidewalks, the street is dark and not safe.

Mr. Feeney reported that Imperial Shores Blvd. has been identified by the City Council for a sidewalk. The City prioritized that November of last year. They are looking at an 8-foot sidewalk with a curb and enclosed drainage.

Mr. Feeney confirmed the area the Board should look on Pine Lake Road at is from Okeana to Imperial Shores Blvd.

Board members decided to do some more research on this area and discuss at the next meeting.

VII. MEMBER ITEMS:

Ms. McGrath raised a concern regarding Rosemary Drive. Ms. McGrath explained that her landscaper had brought this concern to her stating children are waiting for the bus in the dark.

Mr. Feeney replied that the road is lit, the issue is the pedestrian facilities are on the other side of the street from the light. Mr. Feeney explained

the corridor is heavily used and the solution would probably be a large capital improvement project that reconstructs the street.

Mr. Feeney noted they are building a project that is comparable on Bonita Drive that might be a model for Rosemary. Mr. Feeney stated the best answer is they are building a project that could be used as a guideline, and if that comes online, maybe it's something the City could consider for Rosemary.

Ms. Brockway stated that will change when it is converted to LED.

Ms. Hulsizer spoke about a light at Iguana Mia that is set back, not on the corner, and it's dark.

Mr. Schmitt asked the Committee to look between now and next meeting.

Board member asked about moving the light pole forward. Mr. Feeney explained that it's a County owned road and when the road was widened, they typically don't buy excess property. It could very well be that there is no publicly owned property to place the light.

Ms. McGrath asked about lighting along 41. Mr. Feeney explained that 41 is all FDOT lighting, FPL does not own that lighting either.

VIII. CONFIRM NEXT MEETING:

Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, February 20, 2020.

Board member asked if the light poles indicate who to call when they're out. Mr. Feeney replied they are doing a LED conversion to the cobra head streetlights which are capable of sending information back to FPL relating that the lights are out or degrading. FPL is working on the system that receives that information.

Ms. Brockway explained they have smart nodes in the streetlights now and FPL is working on making sure the nodes are better at communicating so that the smart meters will know when the power is out.

Mr. Feeney wanted to point out that there are some decorative lights on the roundabout at Logan and asked the Committee to look at night.

Ms. Brockway reported that they are estimating starting the LED conversion in April.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.


Respectfully submitted,

Nadine Chiamonte
Nadine Chiamonte, Office Assistant

APPROVED:
STREET LIGHT ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Date: 02/20/2020

AUTHENTICATED:



David Schmitt

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