

Minutes from the Half Cent Surtax Meeting  
September 12, 2019  
3:00pm – Engineering Conference Room

Present: Jack Andrews, Julie Bye, Bob Burdge, Daniel Noelke, Anthony Westbury, John Heaning, Pearl Davis Liverpool, Curtis Johnson

Via Conference Call: James Harding

Introduction of Jennifer Hoffmeister – City of Fort Pierce – Planning Director

Agenda was presented -

Minutes were approved with two minor corrections

City Attorney was not present, was scheduled to speak for approximately 15-20 minutes to the Committee – Sunshine Regulations

Projects –

7<sup>th</sup> Street – Under Construction

Completing Sanitary Sewer today (September 12, 2019)

Either tomorrow 9/13/19 or Monday 9/16/19 Storm Drainage to start – going to last about 3 weeks

Completion of Construction – December, 2019

Contractor PRP Construction – Indiantown, FL

Jack to keep Committee informed of where the money goes for each project. Individual line items for each project will be broken out with appropriate funding source.

Avenue A & Avenue B (7<sup>th</sup> Street to 8<sup>th</sup> Street)

Contractor is CW Roberts from Okeechobee

Contract was awarded to CWR through a continuing service agreement which is in effect until July, 2020

CWR has done a lot of (majority of) the asphalt resurfacing for the past three years

Contractor to mobilize next week

Discussion of RFP (Request for Proposals) process

If a project contains work items not included within the continuing service agreement, the project will need to be advertised through the RFP process

7<sup>th</sup> Street was such a project

2 bids were received – PRP Construction – Indiantown, FL and Johnson Davis, Inc. – Fort Pierce, FL

### Review of Past Expenditures –

A list was provided showing expenditures of the City for the past 6 fiscal years (2013/14 through 2018/19)

No funds were expended for street resurfacing the first 3 years and an average of \$330,000 for the past 3 years

Mr. Harding inquired if surtax funding would replace road construction funds that were traditionally paid from the City's general fund account

It was explained that the surtax funds would compliment the City's general fund construction monies not replacing the funds

An example offered was 7<sup>th</sup> Street reconstruction would provide undergrounding of aerial utilities. City funds were allocated, towards this construction activity since Surtax funds could not pay for this construction element

City Engineer Jack Andrews – reviewed the current status of Funds and the running balance. Total funds collected from March, 2019 through August 25, 2019 are \$912,603.26

To date \$431,682.18 has been encumbered.

### Old Business

17<sup>th</sup> Street project – out to bid – Pre Bid on 9/13/19 - Full reconstruction, water and sewer and underground electric. Surtax money limited for paving – late Fall 2019 start date.

Out to bid – Pre-Bid on 9/13/19 – full reconstruction, water/sewer, underground electric, paving, drainage and sidewalks. Project will be funded from many sources FEMA, Stormwater Management Utility Fund, City – General Fund, Fort Pierce Utilities Authority and Surtax funds.

Curtis Johnson suggested that a project status be added to the City Manager report. Would like to see feedback from the public.

Next meeting date will be October 10, 2019.

Meeting adjourned 3:40pm.