

STATUS REPORT ON THE ROAD/DRAINAGE PROJECT as of April 8, 2010

Members of the LWHA Board met with Leon County Public Works staff to see the final plans for the road/drainage project. Joe Brown, County Director of Engineering Services, said there were no major problems with the project and that he expected things to move ahead in good order.

Joe said that recent bids for work continue to come in below engineering cost estimates. The current engineering cost estimate for the LWHA work is now about \$650-700,000 (about \$200,000 less than the original estimate). If the actual construction bid comes in below this level, then homeowners will see a reduction in the estimated per-lot assessment.

The Board discussed specific concerns about drainage and about the Ridgeland barrier. These have either been addressed or will be looked into further.

Tree removal has been kept to a minimum.

The current schedule is that plans will be completed by mid-April, put out for bid, and the bid selection should be done during mid to late May. The winning bid is expected to get County Board approval at the June 8 meeting. After other details are completed, actual work could begin during July and be completed by the end of the year. The Association will be notified when the final bid is determined.

When the project is completed and the final cost is determined, the Association will be notified and arrangements made for payment from the Road Fund. This will probably be during the first quarter of 2011. At that time, the per-lot assessments can be calculated and provided to the County Board for approval of the final assessments. There will then be a final public hearing on the project

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