

Sound Barrier Update

This morning at approximately 9:30 AM the Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) unanimously approved the request from FDOT to construct in 2012, a 1450 ft. long by 22 ft. high sound barrier from about 100 ft. south of our southernmost corner to well beyond the back of the 9th green. Fred Forbes, Board President, Ben Butler, Vice President and Don Huprich, General Manager, attended the meeting. Mr. Forbes and Mr. Huprich made public comment in support of this requested approval. No public comment was made in opposition of the requested approval. Bonita Springs representatives Mayor Ben Nelson and City Councilman John Spear along with Lee County Commissioner Ray Judah were very complimentary of our efforts to get a sound barrier. Sound Barrier contractors will, by mid to late spring, be requested to bid on the construction of the HR sound barrier. Sometime in June-July an advertised public hearing will be held to obtain public comment from our HR residents, as well as other residents of this area. It will be very important that we have a large group of HR residents speak by simply saying they support this project and our HR "snowbirds" that may have gone north for the summer should send emails of support. We will, anytime something of significance happens, keep you informed.

Fred Forbes, Board President