SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

SUBJECT: Schedule Public Hearing for August 23, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. for Adoption of Villages MSBU Annual Fire Assessment Rate and Resolution. (Staff recommends approval).

REQUESTED ACTION: **Approve**

☐ Work Session (Report Only) **DATE OF MEETING:** 7/26/2011
☒ Regular Meeting ☐ Special Meeting

CONTRACT: ☒ N/A Vendor/Entity: _____
Effective Date: _____ Termination Date: _____
Managing Division / Dept: _____

BUDGET IMPACT: $250 Legal Advertisement
☐ Annual **FUNDING SOURCE:** The Villages Public Safety
☐ Capital **EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT:** 183-183-522-4911
☐ N/A

HISTORY/FACTS/ISSUES:
Sumter County Fire Assessment MSBU (Municipal Service Benefit Unit) programs have been in existence since 1999. Funds collected through the assessment program are allocated for fire services. The assessment program was established with two MSBU districts (Sumter County Fire Department and The Villages Public Safety) in order to give County Commissioners the ability to establish different rates based on each MSBU's funding needs.

Every year an annual rate resolution public hearing (for each MSBU) must be held prior to the Board of County Commissioners adopting each resolution. To comply with advertisement deadlines and Florida State Statue regulations, staff is requesting the BOCC set the public hearing for August 23, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. The public hearings will be held at the Colony Cottage Regional Recreation Center, 510 Colony Blvd., Parlor Room, The Villages, FL 32162.

During these public hearings the BOCC will adopt the Annual Rate Resolution, establishing the annual fee, and the adopt the annual assessment roll. Based on the Initial Assessment Resolution (adopted in 2006) the annual assessment rate maximum is currently $125. Staff will be recommending the BOCC keep last year's annual rate of $81 per improved parcel. This rate has been in effect since 2009/10 FY.