

PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, July 16, 2013

The meeting was called to order by the President, Elaine Dredame, at 7:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: see roster

The minutes of the June meeting were approved as read.

Jerry Ferlisi presented the Treasurer's report noting that cash flow was down slightly in June as dues are typically paid up by this time of year

Jerry also presented the Membership report in Jerry V.s absence. 5848 households paid dues to date in 2013 which is 560 households or 11% higher than 2012.

Betty Cunningham presented the SHINE report stating that Medicare has not to date, come forward with any news of the future under Obamacare. Counseling sites are available as reported in the SUN. SHINE will continue to keep us informed as the year progresses.

Elaine acknowledged those at the back tables here to answer individual questions: SHINE, Seniors vs. Crime, Lightning Study group, District Staff.

Cash raffle – 3 lucky winners of \$30 each

Open Forum: Elaine briefly discussed some issues of interest to all:

IRS update – The Villages is in communication with the IRS –any written communications will be found on the district web site. Fines or fees associated with a negative outcome would come from amenity fees remembering that the maximum annual amenity fee increase would, by contract, not exceed the CPI.

Task Force – There is an initiative to consider consolidating some or all the CDD numbered districts. A brain storming session was held resulting in sending the representatives back to their individual districts to further discuss the issues at that level. Interested residents can attend individual district meetings or attend the follow-up meeting scheduled for August 30, 2013.

El Santiago – the AAC will purchase the facility, and, given its location, convert it to a recreation center.

Orange Blossom Restaurant – no information

Church on the Square – Word is that the final church service will be held Sunday, July 28, 2013.

Roof warranty issues – if you feel that the Warranty Dept. has left you with questions, call Owens Corning.

A question arose questioning if ATV's can navigate the golf cart paths – call customer service at 753-4508

Another resident questioned the location of hurricane shelters in the Village – the closest is the Oxford Community Center.

Concerns relative to Bailey Trail traffic should be forwarded to the Sumter County Commissioners

A request for road signs indicating north or south on Buena Vista and Morse Blvd. at the roundabouts should be directed to the Sumter County Commissioners

A resident asked if it is advisable to pay off their infrastructure bond. If an owner can earn in excess of the interest rate on their infrastructure bond, invest it in other places.

Another question concerned the liability involved in a bond on your home – the bond reflects the developer's cost of building the infrastructure associated with a home in the Villages – that is - streets, water, storm water, etc. . . .that many builders incorporate into the cost of the original purchase of a home.

Speaker: Mike Tucker, Villages Fire Chief was joined by Chief Stuart McElhaney of Marion Co to speak to the POA about fires and fire related issues in the Villages. He stated that 75% of their calls are medical issues, just 2% are fire related. He spoke about the CSST tubing in some attics, fire protection systems, the benefits of cleaning dryer vents, installation of excess flow valves on gas lines, rate of temperature rise values among other potential lifesaving ways of life. Mike reminded Villages to deal with licensed, insured and bonded repair persons if any fire safety additions to your home are considered. They were available after the meeting for individual questions.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn Reichel, Secretary