

POA Membership Meeting Tuesday March 19, 2019

The meeting was called to order by the President, Cliff Weiner at 7:00 PM.

Roll call showed all members present with the exception of Donna, Peg, and Susan, all excused.

The Treasurer's report showed data from February 2019 showing income \$18,013, expenses \$18,720, leaving us with negative cash flow of \$927.79.

At the tables in the back of the room were members from Seniors v Crime, SHINE, CERT, and Realty Executives for individual questions.

The cash raffle made three lucky winners each \$30 richer.

Cliff reminded attendees of the Villages E-Notification system where residents can sign up for a weekly newsletter.

The POA has an AED program in coordination with the department of public safety if any residents are interested.

Residents interested in receiving the Bulletin via E mail are encouraged to sign up with the forms available tonight.

Any residents willing to join the POA Board let Cliff know.

Open forum – the time we listen to you: responses may appear in future Bulletins articles.

Can unlicensed vehicles be parked in any parking area for an unlimited time?

Who owns the public parking areas in the Villages?

Residents in the northern areas would appreciate an update on the status of the ponds.

When residents leave for longer than 7 days, please advise the Villages.

Will Community Watch be responsible for collecting fallen palm fronds considered in the way?

Please define a rooftop – that is, how many individuals can be living under a roof top as in assisted living for example?

Can street signs be adjusted so residents can read them from all angles?

Some vacant homes need a landscaper to maintain their property.

Tonight's speakers are Don Henderson, CEO of the Villages Hospital, and Michael Pittman, Site Manager. Their presentations focused on the history of the hospital, important statistics, and achievements. Of interest to residents was the discussion of the star ratings with our hospital receiving one star. JACHO, (Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Hospitals Organizations), has a complex history of applying star rating to hospitals. According to Henderson it is difficult if not impossible to understand how and where these ratings come from and what they really mean. What is important, according to Henderson is to know is that our hospital will continue to provide quality service to our residents and that a one star rating can be the result of the age of the general population the Villages admits for treatment compared to a general hospital in other parts of the country.

Achievements of interest and recognition awarded to the hospital include certification for excellence in their programs in treating cancer, strokes, pain management, and joint replacements.

The POA plans on inviting hospital representatives to update us on the progress of our hospital on an annual basis.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn Reichel, Secretary