Florida Gardens Civic Association

Minutes of the October 11, 2018 Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 pm

Officers Present: Spencer Palmer(President), Kim Kahant (1st Vice) Gary Oliwa (2nd V-President), Chris Jenson (Treasurer), Angie Bermudez (Secretary)

Minutes: of the September 2018 meeting were distributed accepted, 1st. Terry Crosby, 2nd. Chris Jenson

Treasurer Report: was given by Chris Jenson accepted, 1st. John Sjoholm, 2nd. Penny Spring

Old & New Business:

- Spencer Palmer relayed Jessica Dale was unable to attend tonight's meeting, but Halloween set up is Friday October 26th. From 6pm – 7pm. Halloween party starts at 5:30pm. Saturday October 27th.
- Danny Wood will provide signs and prize money for Halloween and Christmas decorations. Mike Misko will provide the popcorn for the movie. We still need people for traffic control as parade moves from street to street.
- Angie Bermudez & Kim Kahant purchased most of the items needed for the party, Kim or Angie will pick up the cookies, cupcakes and hot dog buns the Friday before the party. The movie will be Hocus Pocus.
- Gary Oliwa asked Danny Wood if the winners of the Halloween Contest would be only considered if they had paid their donations as was the requirement in the past for the Christmas decorating contest. Danny said since he was donating the prize money for both Halloween and Christmas, it was open to all residents of FG whether they paid their donation or not. Prize amounts are: 1st \$300.00, 2nd \$150.00, 3rd \$50.00 for both. Date for Halloween judging is Oct. 26th from 8:00 9:30pm. Thank you, Danny!
- Terry Crosby said the club house is rented all of November and is a mixture of inside and outside rentals.
- Date for the Christmas party is December 15th. Jessica asked Kim Kahant what her budget is for Christmas. Kim told her we would see how many kids showed up for the Halloween party to get a better estimate.
- We need to remind the parents that their kids Christmas Party gifts must have their first and last name and should be dropped off the night before during set up. Penny suggested we ask for toy donations in case someone forgets to bring a gift for their child. Any gifts left over would be donated to the Fire Department for their toy drive. Toys should be packed but unwrapped for any age group. We can post this in the newsletter and Next-door App.

- September Newsletter and minutes are on the website.
- Kim Kahant mentioned the trash behind the CVS and suggested kids who need service hours could help with the cleanup.
- Spencer Palmer said he had requests to put the crime watch info on the website, it is on the website in the newsletter.
- Spencer Palmer brought up the trees and Gary Oliwa asked we make a motion to stop talking about the trees for now. We may never be able to get them and there are other priorities we need to focus on first.
- Sandra Dale is stepping down as Street Rep. for Rubber Tree. Danny Wood will take over in January. Danny has been street rep. for Palmetto, John Sjoholm agreed to be the new street rep for Palmetto.
- Ed Ridolph mentioned adding a message in the newsletter about the scholarship and service hours required.
- Need Santa for the kids Christmas Party. Spencer Palmer volunteered if no one else is found. Kim said she would pull Santa in the trailer.
- Spencer Palmer brought up the need for new chairs, we will get some samples in for testing. We need at least 100 chairs. This will take priority over the fence. Motion approved, 1st Mike Misko 2nd Alanna Harmon
- Jessica and Sandra Dale are stepping down as event coordinator at the end of this year. We will need a volunteer or two for next year. Penny Spring was suggested we assign a person/committee for each event instead of one or two persons for each event. Sandra Dale mentioned this would be OK for the kid's parties but was concerned what we would we do about the other adult events IE: New Year's Eve, St, Patrick's Day etc. Kim Kahant said we need to book the dates now for the kid's parties next year, so Terry Crosby has the dates for her rental calendar. Kim, Angie and Sandra would be happy to help the party coordinator when needed.
- New Year's Eve party, adult party time will be discussed. Angie Bermudez discussed allowing kids at the New Year's Eve Party, but the consensus was no. Spencer Palmer said we have enough kid's parties and this one should be adults only.
- Penny Spring agreed to be the coordinator for the 2019 Easter party, date for Easter party is Saturday April 13th. Set up Friday April 12th.
- Halloween Part is Saturday October 21st. set up Friday October 20th.
- Roads in FG were discussed, Spencer said they are working on the roads in most need of repair first. Many roads in the country are much worse than ours.
- Kim Saunders brought up the sexual predator at 55 Cuyahoga, the County number to call is 322-5500. He is living in a sober/halfway house, then congregated living house, but permit is not approved for either. Every time they apply for a permit and are denied, they apply for a different type of permit to keep their living arrangements open and are protected under the ADA. The company is Proactive Rehab out of Delray. The FG association can let members know and put the number and link to the Sherriff's Department, but we cannot do anything else. FG residents can put up posters and give fliers to whomever they want to. We ask that everyone call and complain to

- Kim Kahant mentioned to Cheryl Smart how nice it is to see the new sigh lit up at night when she comes into the neighborhood and thanked her again. Thanks again Cheryl!
- Crystal of 217 Ohio, mentioned how fast the drivers fly down Ohio and asked about getting more speed bumps. We have investigated in the past but were told we don't have enough traffic. The person who hit the mailbox and flipped his car was not a FG resident. Spencer asked Gary if he could get the plans for that mailbox as a consideration for a mailbox for our Clubhouse.
- Motion to adjourn: 1st Sandra Dale 2nd Kim Saunders.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:06pm