Florida Gardens Civic Association

Minutes of the September 9, 2021 Meeting

This meeting was called to order by President Spencer Palmer at 8:04pm

Attendance: Officers: Spencer Palmer (President), Mike Misko (First Vice President), Danny Wood (Second Vice President), Chris Jenson (Treasurer), and Kimberly Serio (Secretary) were present. There were sufficient Board Members present (16) to achieve a quorum. There were 37 total attendees on the sign-in sheet.

Minutes: June's minutes were distributed and unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's Report given by Chris Jenson. We have a current bank balance of \$20,406.00 as of 9/9/21 with outstanding checks totaling \$1,188.83.

Upcoming Events: The BBQ for the 25th has been cancelled as no one has heard back from the original person who proposed hosting it. The date of 9/25/21 was set aside, and Kimberly presented doing a Great Games party for the kids, but due to lack of time it was unanimously decided to rent it out instead and use the money towards the trunk or treat. We reviewed the Halloween Party event, Alana Hartman and Danny Woods will be doing a Trunk or Treat from 6:00pm to 7:30pm, the Parade will be from 7:30pm–9:00pm, and weather permitting Mike Misko will be hosting the movie at 9:00pm. Kimberly Hubler will be doing a Halloween Carnival from 5:00pm to 6:00pm prior to the start of the Trunk of Treat, full details will be provided to Gary Oliwa for Newsletter.

Clubhouse Report: Terry Crosby (Clubhouse Manager) gave the clubhouse report. She reported for the month of June we had 8 rentals (6 residents / 2 non-residents), totaling \$2243.00,23. She reported for the month of July we had 9 rentals (6 residents / 3 non-residents), totaling \$3,133.00. She reported for the month of August we had 9 rentals (6 residents / 3 non-residents), totaling \$3,014.00. LifeLine screening was done on 8/30/21 and have booked more dates. Terry also reported there will be an AA meeting at the clubhouse every Wednesday night.

Clubhouse repairs: Gary Oliwa reported a large tile outside the clubhouse was smashed. We had some extra tile and grout, and he repaired it. There was also an area of tile by the front door that was smashed again, and Gary replaced that as well. We thank John on Akron for cutting the piece with some wild miter cuts on the end. Gary reported chairs are still being forced closed by renters. Terry Crosby noted we may need stackable chairs.

Website: Gary reported that the website has been renewed for 3 years at a cost of 899.00, and the domain name was renewed for a total of 2 years at a cost of \$60.00. Gary made updates to the rental sections as well as added updated rental forms to the website.

Old Business

Lucerne Lakes: Resident reported that his wife went down to the zoning department, and they were not approved for 900 units and cut down to 450. Gary also noted that that they have approved changes to Ohio Road and while he did make contact to the county about this issue, they didn't show any interest in hearing it. Gary reported that there will be a whole page in the upcoming Newsletter dedicated to this topic. He is still pursuing the issue. Spencer Palmer noted he did see two other entrances being added to the property and Gary reported it was on the new plans. Spencer reported the purchase has still not been made yet and will not happen until all these road proposals pass. Penny noted that the only road that could connect from Lake Worth to Lantana Road was Ohio Rd. Due to recent events with other proposals she mentioned it, though there is no information about this even being considered. One resident noted the only way to fight against any future proposals would be due to health and safety issues. We returned the conversation back towards the area of road between Lucerne and Florida Gardens which is Columbia. Multiple people have reached out to the owners with no response.

New Business

Positions: Spencer Palmer reported that Brian Katz will now be the new Adult Events coordinator. Brian was there and introduced himself and we welcomed him. He is looking into new activities he may pursue for future events. Spencer Palmer added we are looking to return to game nights, darts, super bowl parties and things like these again for our community.

Changing of Clubhouse Property Zoning: Up until a month ago, our clubhouse was considered a single-family residence by the county. Gary Oliwa worked with 4 county representatives over the span of a month to have the property changed to a clubhouse, as a common area element for the neighborhood. We can no longer be accused of operating a business out of a house. Spencer Palmer noted he was receiving multiple texts during the night accusing us of this, and those texts have stopped.

Around the room

Halloween Event: Gary noted he still needs the final details about the event. Danny Wood kindly offered to sponsor the Halloween Decorating Contest again. The date of the contest was discussed, and Danny Wood noted that it needs to be done the night before on the 30th. We discussed the final party decision will be made by Kimberly in the next few days. Alanna and Danny let Kimberly know that they were happy to have the party before or during the event and to go ahead and make the final decision.

West Mango: Resident reported he was there representing West Mango and possibly Canton. He noted that the Lake Worth Drainage District sent the owners on West Mango letters that they are increasing the drainage area to 15 feet in the back to property along the canal that runs between West Mango and Canton. They have been told to remove fencing, sheds, and anything that is within these 15 feet in the back of their property. Another resident noted that the powerlines run along the Canton side of the canal, and maintenance is never done from that side. Mike Misko reported he has received letters from the county stating that they have changed the easement all the way to the back of his roof line. He has 60 days to comply by removing everything on the north side of his property, passed the roof line. Chris Jenson noted that we may want to reach out to a news station to discuss the issue. Spencer Palmer noted that we may need to have a separate meeting for the Mango residents that have been affected by the issue. Gary Oliwa noted he has a small area in the newsletter for an article to notify residents. Spencer noted that if they want the information posted in the newsletter the residents on Mango would need to provide the information to Gary by the end of the weekend.

Church on Ohio: Brandon, the new Church Pastor across the street from the clubhouse, noted the Church will be putting on some events. Monday and Wednesday nights from 6pm to 7pm they will have a free fitness class out in the pavilion. On October 22nd-24th they will have a pop-up pumpkin patch. On October 24th from 4pm to 8pm they will be having a Fall Festival in the field. Chris Jenson asked if they were going to be advertising those items in the Newsletter. Gary Oliwa shared the option the previous church had of making an annual donation to the Association and they will get a business card or slightly larger size to publish their events. It was unanimously approved.

Little Free Library: Kimberly Serio noted she is the steward of the Little Free Library located near the church and ask Brandon if the church has an issue with its location. Brandon assured us the location was ok with them.

Newsletter: A resident noted that they lived on Barberton and they have not been receiving their newsletter.

Special Meeting: Gary Oliwa reminded us of the following Board of Directors meeting at the conclusion of this one.

There being no other business, a motion was made by Spencer Palmer at 8:54pm to adjourn and accepted unanimously.

Next meeting scheduled for October 14, 2021