

Florida Gardens Civic Association
Meeting Minutes for March 14th, 2024

This meeting was called to order by Mike Misko (President) at 8:05p.m.

Attendance: Officers: Mike Misko (President), Christine Curry (First Vice President), Sarah Harmes (Second Vice President), Keegan Gwin (Treasurer), and Kimberly Serio (Secretary) were present. There were insufficient Board Members present (11) to achieve a quorum. There were 15 attendees on the sign-in sheet.

Monthly Business:

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

Treasurer's Report: Keegan Gwin (Treasurer) gave the Treasurer's report. As of February 29th, 2024, the bank balance was \$17,436.00. Total contributions received so far are \$4,681.00, which is slightly ahead of our 2023 total of the same period of \$4,338.00. She noted the majority have come from checks with 72%, PayPal is 15%, Venmo is 10%, and Zelle is 3%. She noted a total of 76 houses have made contributions, roughly 10% of the neighborhood. She noted the street with the highest total is Ohio with \$548.00 and the street with the highest percentage of homes is Cleveland with 8 out of 31 homes donating. Gary Oliwa noted that since we are receiving such a high quantity of checks, he will continue to put the envelope into the Newsletter.

Clubhouse Report: Terry Crosby (Clubhouse Manager) gave the Clubhouse report for February. She reported that for the month we had 15 rentals (4 residents, 1 non-resident and 10 Community Service events) providing \$2,298.58 net income for the period. She noted that our Easter Party is next weekend, and that Life Line Screening will be here all day Monday, May 8th. She noted that the benefit for Mark Summers was a big success.

Clubhouse Maintenance: Gary Oliwa (Director at Large) reported a resident on Palmetto responded to his Nextdoor post looking for a welder to weld that broken table leg, as I mentioned last month. He did a fabulous job, and that table is back in service. Gary had no other repairs to report.

Newsletter: Gary Oliwa (Director at Large) reported the March Newsletter has been started and he hopes to have it out for review this weekend and to the printer on Monday. Sandra Dale asked how many issues we release a year. Gary reported that we have 5 releases total, one in January, March, May, September, and November. Jodi Davis who heads up the monthly Bazaar was asking about space available to promote the event. Gary noted we still have space available, and to get with him after the meeting.

Website: Gary Oliwa (Director at Large) reported the Easter Party details were added to the Happenings page, and he added the January 2024 Meeting Minutes as well.

Taxes: Gary Oliwa (Director at Large) reported that the February Sales Tax Return was filed. The CPA completed the Federal and State Corporate Income Tax Returns.

Children's Events: Kimberly Serio (Secretary) noted the Easter Event was next Saturday from 10am-12pm, and that we will be prepping on Friday night from 6pm-8pm. She thanked Alanna Harman for asking Danny Woods to be our bunny for this year, so we don't have that expense. She noted that both churches will be joining us. Florida Gardens Baptist will be bringing out a bounce house and bubble machine, and Community of Hope will be doing a Coffee Station for the parents and snow cones for the kids. She noted we will be having a craft, breakfast, bunny photos, and our egg hunt. She noted that since the flyer went out so long ago, we don't have anything to remind people of the party as well as the need for volunteers. She asked Alanna Harman to post the information on our social media pages, and Alanna said she would post a reminder, and get up a specific post for volunteers. Alanna was asked where the information is posted, and she noted we have it on Nextdoor, Facebook, and an Instagram Account. Gary Oliwa asked what our Instagram Site was called, and Alanna noted that it was FLA_GARDENS_CIVIC_ASSOCIATION.

Old Business

BBQ Event: Mike Misko (President) asked Alanna Harman if she had any updates. Alanna noted that she spoke with Gary Marshall at the benefit and will reach out to him again. Mike noted that they will have more details at the next meeting.

Traffic Lights: Gary Oliwa (Director At Large) reported that on the traffic light at Ohio, it was discovered that the control box which holds the circuitry to control the traffic light functions was not capable of supporting the planned "yellow flashing arrow" function and would be too expensive to upgrade. Therefore the FDOT is now planning to implement a full solid green "left turn arrow" function to both Ohio and Nassau, which will allow left-turning vehicles a short priority over vehicles going straight across the intersection. He noted that this was the solution he requested when he submitted the proposal a year ago. A resident asked if they had ever thought about doing one side of the intersection and then the other. Gary noted that that idea had not been suggested since the focus is to make sure Lake Worth Road doesn't have to wait, so if they do it one at a time, Lake Worth Road will have to wait longer. Penny Spring noted that it so congested in the morning she does everything to avoid it, and that was unanimously agree to.

Speed Bumps: Gary Oliwa (Director At Large) reported that Mattamy Homes will install the speeds bumps on Springdale when they install the left turn lane on south-bound Ohio Road at Columbia Road.

New Business:

Lucerne Development: Gary Oliwa (Director At Large) reported that the land preparation for construction in Lucerne has started.

Bazaar: Terry Crosby (Clubhouse Manager) noted that she has passed out flyers for the upcoming Bazaar which will be held the first Saturday in April and May. She introduced Stephen and Jodi Davis who run the Bazaar and said to get with them if anyone would like to be a vendor.

Around The Room:

None

There being no other business, a motion was made by Mike Misko at 8:20 to adjourn and it was unanimously approved.

Our next meeting is scheduled for April 11th, 2024, at 8:00pm.

President – Mike Misko
1st Vice President – Christine Curry
2nd Vice President – Sarah Harmes
Secretary – Kimberly Serio
Treasurer – Keegan Gwin

Florida Gardens Civic Association, Inc.
Board Meeting Agenda

April 11th, 2024

Social Media Coordinator – Alanna Harman
Newsletter & Website - Gary Oliwa
Clubhouse Manager – Terry Crosby
Scholarship Fund – Sandra Dale
Kid's Event Coordinator – Kimberly Serio
Youth Volunteer Coordinator – Needed
Adult Event Coordinator – Brian Katz

Monthly Business

1. Last Month's Meeting Minutes: (Questions/Approval)
2. Treasurer Report: (Keegan Gwin)
3. Clubhouse Rentals: (Terry Crosby)
4. Clubhouse Maintenance: (Gary Oliwa)
5. Newsletter: (Gary Oliwa)
6. Website: (Gary Oliwa)
7. Taxes: (Gary Oliwa)
8. Children's Events (Kimberly Serio)
9. Scholarship Program (Sandra Dale)

Old Business Updates

1. BBQ (Mike Misko/Alanna Harman)
2. Traffic Lights (Gary Oliwa)
3. Speed Bumps/Lucerne Development (Gary Oliwa)

New Business

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