

CGPOA ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
1/16/2021

Location: Street at Jo Socha's residence 20750 1st Ave. W.

Meeting called to order at 3PM by President, Greg Daniels.

Greg thanked all 50 members in attendance for attending a meeting where everyone knew they'd need to wear masks and be socially distanced.

Greg introduced the current Board of Directors including himself as President, Treasurer Andrew Daly, Corresponding Secretary Ken Kurdziel, Recording Secretary Cindy Dresow, Directors Mary Bell, David Dornseif, Walt Drabinski, Kathy Neiman, and Richard Schugar.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Andrew Daly, who replaced Chris Cauley when Chris left that position early last year. Our 2020 year end total is \$57,890.07. Andrew offered paper copies for anyone interested. Andrew stated that over \$3,000 has been received in membership dues since the year end report.

Jo Socha introduced Captain Patty Thompson, who is the new Captain at our Cudjoe Sheriff's Station. Patty told us that she is a retired FBI agent, and has resided in the Florida Keys for years. The Cudjoe Sheriff Station will soon be renovated, when the Fire Department moves to their new Cudjoe Fire Station. She reviewed our crime stats, saying that 2020 crime in Monroe County declined 17% from 2019. Our crime rate has decreased each of the past 5 years, resulting in a 50% reduction in crime in 5 years. Captain Thompson stated that we are in one of the safest counties in the state, that our district is one of the safest in the county, and that our neighborhood is the safest in the district. She stressed that partnership between our community and the Sheriff's office is most important. When asked the status of proposed housing being built across the street from the Sheriff station, she reported that nothing will be happening soon.

Greg thanked Captain Thompson for speaking at our meeting, and thanked Jo Socha for her work on Neighborhood Crime Watch.

Greg listed some of the Board's accomplishments this past year, including a Facebook page for communication between members, an updated website (cudjoegardens.org), and completion of our 2021 CGPOA Directories, which

are available to members today. Our new entrance sign has been held up by County requirements and permitting.

After a nomination for Ihor Raniuk to be on the Board of Directors, all were in favor of Ihor Raniuk and Leigh Anne Schuler becoming new Directors, along with 7 incumbents for 2021. The new CGPOA Board consists of Treasurer Andrew Daly, Corresponding Secretary Ken Kurdziel, Recording Secretary Cindy Dresow, Directors Mary Bell, David Dornseif, Kathy Neiman, Ihor Raniuk, and Leigh Anne Schuler. Assistant Directors Randy McDonald, Jo Socha, and Debbie Saavedra. The President and Vice President positions are both vacant.

Rich Schugar was thanked for his service on the Board. Greg was thanked for being CGPOA President.

Greg reminded everyone that Randy McDonald oversees all canal water testing. Volunteers who would like to help should contact Randy.

Responsible pet owners are encouraged to ask other pet owners to pick up after their own pets. We should all respect our neighbor's properties.

Our Annual Community-Wide Yard Sales will be Saturday, March 6th. Jo announced that the Sheriff's Department donates many confiscated items to Special Olympics each year. She will have the yard sale for Special Olympics at her driveway, 20750 1st Ave. W. March 6.

Greg thanked Jo for volunteering her location for today's meeting.

Being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 3:40 PM

Respectfully Submitted
Cindy Dresow, Recording Secretary