**Fern Acres Community Association Board of Directors**

**Meeting Minutes August 17, 2024**

**Members Present:** JR Paikuli, Patti Pinto, Hank Schultz, Patty Goodwin, Rick Kaluli , Roy Kalili, Joe Utt, Ben Vallejo (late 13 minutes )

**Members Absent:**.

**Visitors:** Diana and Albert Santiago

**CTO:** 9:00 am

**Minutes:** asks for a motion to approve July (Annual Meeting) minutes. Proposed for acceptance by Patty, Joe seconds. All in favor, Passed.

**President’s Report:** JR wants to work together to clarify the Committee job descriptions and policy.

Any problems with a specific Committee must go to the Chair of the Committee, with JR as the highest authority with whom we can speak. There is a need for defined policies and procedures… We have them. Hank says we have recently reviewed policies and procedures that may or may not need review/revision.

JR offers a situation where a decision is made by the Board which you strongly disagree with.. what do you do? Roy says to not take it to the parking lot, facebook, others.. discuss with the President and lastly.. What the Board decides - is what it is.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Patty presents the financial report for June as follows:

 BoH MRMA Checking 7997 437,623.98

BoH FACA Checking 7989 29,259.18

BoH MRMA MM 0798 30,506.89 Petty Cash 2,679.91

 **TOTAL $500,069.96**

**Road Committee:** Roy reports they had a meeting last Wednesday, discussed raises. $1.00 per hour effective immediately, for the crew.

The 2- 40’ containers have been dropped on site. The third one is up for sale to the public.

Roy got $25,000.00 to purchase a new truck. He bought a Dodge truck for $16,000.00 and had a little maintenance done to bring the truck up to working standards.

Roy has about $4500.00 for the purchase of the third container awaiting reimbursement (sale). JR asks what is the third container for? Budgeted? Roy will be reimbursed by MRMA to pay him back. Proceeds from the sale will reimburse MRMA and the extra will be divided around the FACA organizations.

RE: Adding on the new containers. They are going to do inventory on what is there and what needs to be kept or gotten rid of.. Some of the stored equipment is very old and should be disposed of. He will inventory it and then we can manage the accounting for disposing old/broken equipment.

He got the final bid from Willocks Construction, based on their bids, the owner is going to give us an almost $3,000.00 break on the cost because the prep work that the road crew has done in advance. We may be able to pave a little extra…Pikake? Plumeria?

Roy asks if we can offer overnight security for the paving equipment being stored on our roadbeds. Hank asks how is Roy going to vet the security team? Good way to rip us off…. Roy wants it to be in-house, to prevent that, for about $150.00.

Roy makes a motion that we hire security for the paving equipment, to be paid by MRMA in the amount of $150.00. Hank seconds. All in favor, Passed.

The Ghost Ship has been moved off the road bed- paid for by a neighbor.. moved onto the property.

Roy was voted as Chair of the Road Committee. Other Board members are- Rick, Hank, Joe.

**Safety/Fire Department:** Meeting time and training remains the same.. Still looking for members.

**HUB:** Claudia reports that on August 1 the last screw went into the roof. The roof build is complete.

Focus is now on dealing with the aftermath of the rummage sale and finding a place to take clothes, toys and household. Rick suggests the share box at UHH- by the old book store on campus… Hank is helping with the Friends of the Children Justice Center to maybe donate the clothing…

Mahalo to Joe for donating two new folding tables.

Mahalo to Roy and his fabulous crew for all the picnic prep, mowing and whacking.. Coming in on Friday to set up the tents and taking them down on Monday after the picnic!

Also BIG kine mahalo to Roy for the grading and gravel at the Hub lot to make the lower driveway easier to navigate and laying gravel down on the lanai and driveway.

**Fundraising and Events:** 96 bags were handed out with 5 volunteers. Everything done by 12:45.

They had a new volunteer working with them. Thank you so much for stepping up to the job. This is the first distribution by the new Food Basket Team and they really need more volunteers!!! (C to post..) [Discussion about the need for volunteers, volunteer waivers, posting a call for volunteers]

**Nominating Committee:** Patti voted Chair, Patty, Claudia

**Audit Committee:** Maria, Albert, Rick. Rick voted Chair.

**Policy Committee:** Patti, Patty, Hank. Patti voted Chair.

**Internet Committee:** Claudia?

**FANW:** No report.

**CERT:** Next meeting Saturday, August 31

**Old Business:**

**New Business:** In September, add Fundraising and Events as an official committee with a chair.

**Member’s Report:** Roy says the Road Committee has received a raise… When is the Office in line for a raise? We will discuss that in Executive. Audit? Roy spoke with Carbinero re: price.. An Annual Review will cost $18-20,000.00. Do we want to pay that much each year? Patty says she got a quote from Carbinero regarding our 990. And they’ll do it for $1500.00 to 1700.00 per year.

Patti agrees with getting assistance from Carbinero especially with some areas of our accounting and how can we get some guidance on the set up of some QB pages to give us the answers we need.

Patty G agrees. Carbinero offers training to do specific tasks in accounting.. Patty thinks we need to define our needs and then perhaps look into it from there.

Tables and chairs- Roy suggests that in November, we have a pie and bake sale fundraiser to purchase more tables and chairs.

**Adjourn:**  10:06am Hank moves to call the meeting to adjourn. Rick seconds. All in favor, Passed.