

Whiskey Creek Civic Association Board Meeting October 9, 2013

The October meeting of the Whiskey Creek Board was opened at 7:07PM by President Bernie Lamach. Board members present were: Larry Geiger, David Wallace, Dennis Rodgers, Kate Gooderham and Jeanne McCafferty. Absent and excused were Karen Tice, Bob Oxnard and Rita McNeil. Commissioner Cecil Pendergrass also attended.

Commissioner Pendergrass asked if attendees had any questions or concerns. He explained that the Vacant House Registry ordinance had passed and banks were required to register their vacant homes even those in foreclosure at a cost of \$200.00 per home. This ordinance will be helpful to Whiskey Creek. In the past, we had to depend on our "Pride Group" using their own tools to maintain these properties.

Bernie then introduced our guest speaker, Susan Blacketer. Susan, a resident of Whiskey Creek, gave us her business background. She is also working toward her Masters in Nutrition. She stated that our bodies change as we get older. What we eat and what we do in our daily lives can make a difference. Susan left several fact sheets of good information on Super Foods, vitamins and supplements. She also answered questions regarding organic foods and BMI.

Bernie thanked Susan and then introduced the Board to the new residents.

Kate Gooderham spoke of the upcoming STREETS ALIVE program which will take place on Sunday, November 10, 2013 from 9am to 2pm in the downtown area. It is a fun day to get people moving. More info is found on streetsalivelee.org.

Secretary's Report

The September minutes had been emailed to Board members and accepted. Jeanne asked that a comment made by Dennis Rodgers to the Board members be added to the minutes. It reads: "I want to be clear about something. If we could adopt new deed restrictions by getting all Whiskey Creek owners to sign on, we could in fact prohibit manufactured homes, as they were prohibited in our original, now defunct, restrictions. In our going the only route that seems possible

to obtain enforceable restrictions, the County's adoption of ordinances specific to Whiskey Creek, the County would be bound by the Florida statute that says Counties and Municipalities can't pass ordinances that discriminate against manufactured housing. Before we lay this issue to rest, however, since I'm not admitted to practice in Florida, I would be pleased to have my reading of the statute checked by an attorney from the County or by one we'd engage".

A motion was made by Larry Geiger and seconded by David Wallace to add Dennis's comments to the minutes. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Bernie dispensed with the report as the bank statement has not yet been received

Committee Reports

Dennis stated that the ordinance lists are prepared and dispersed to the committee.

A complaint regarding a boat in the driveway was received. He will send a letter. There seems to be many boats parked in Whiskey Creek. The committee needs to discuss. He also notified the County of an unregistered car and also a property's yard needing maintenance.

Dennis also stated "when we have our public hearings on proposed ordinances, the WC community should be given the opportunity to discuss whether the parking of boats and boat trailers is something residents now want to permit, or to prohibit as was the situation with the deed restrictions."

News Distribution

Larry Geiger met with all the area chiefs and said there is a need for four more volunteers. Those interested are asked to call him.

Yard Award

Joyce Alexander said that the committee looks to place the sign in different areas

and not only on the main street. To submit nominees, call Joyce, Gordon or Brenda. The winners appear in the Whiskey Creek News.

Old Business

Bernie explained the functions of MSTU to newcomers. The latest project was the installation of the two new light poles at the McGregor entrance. Our WCCA had voted to share one half of the cost. Pictures, showing the lights being installed and one showing our Treasurer Karen Tice and Bernie handing the check to Lee County, were circulated. This shows that the money we collect goes back to help in the community

New Business

Bernie announced plans for a volunteer appreciation night. We have over 100 volunteers and wish to show them our appreciation. Jeanne reported on the progress for the party. It will be held on November 13th from 7 to 9 PM. Invitations will be sent and people are asked to RSVP by November 8th by phone or email to Jeanne or Karen.

Bernie mentioned the additional documents that he and Jeanne are to sign and have notarized. This deals with the donation of the property under the Whiskey Creek bridge. The County paid all the fees.

Bernie asked the newcomers to introduce themselves and asked for questions or comments.

Dennis made a motion adjourn the meeting at 8:25PM. It was seconded by Larry. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanne McCafferty
Secretary

