

LAKE POINTE VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

February 6, 2017

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Attendance:

Present: President JoAnn Clifford; Treasurer Linda Dolan; Secretary Connie Cowling; Vice President Fred Edwards; Directors Harriet Azzarelli, Verlie Farrell, Eric Hipkiss, Angela Kieb and Sabrina McClellion

Invocation

Given by Darrell Plyter

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by JoAnn Clifford

Credential Report

Brenda Holderbaum reported that we did have a quorum.

Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was made by David Kihlstrand and seconded by Elly Strahl; all in favor; motion passed.

Secretary's Report

Approval of Minutes of the Last Meeting

A motion to approve the minutes of the January meeting, with the correction that we **did** have a quorum, was made by Marion Grabowski. Roberta Kirby seconded the motion; all in favor; motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Linda Dolan reported the following:

12/31/2016 to 1/31/2017	
Balance as of 12/31/16	\$ 36,553.21
Receipts	\$ 7,104.14
Disbursements	\$ <u>4,587.19</u>
Ending Balance 1/31/17	\$ 39,070.16

Acceptance of Treasurer's Report

The motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by David Downs and seconded by Kay Gossman. There was no discussion; all in favor; motion passed.

President's Report

JoAnn Clifford said that Darrell and Esther Plyter are moving so this was Darrell's last time to lead the invocation. We are looking for someone to take over for him, so if you are interested, please contact JoAnn.

JoAnn then pointed out that only two people are running for positions on the board. This leaves us two candidates short so we will have to take action to cut the number of members on the board to seven. We are now bringing this up before the membership to vote on reducing the board from nine members to seven members, effective immediately. A motion to reduce the number of board members to seven was given by Pete Zaccarella and seconded by David Downs; majority in favor; one opposed; motion carried.

She then reported that Mike Bushey has been voted in by the Activities Group to be their new chairperson. Joe Strahl is the vice chair and Tracy Gould said she is willing to put her name in for approval to fill the secretary's position beginning in March.

JoAnn said we have a request from the dance committee for \$1750.00 for the band on New Year's Eve 2017. A motion to approve this amount was made by Roberta Kirby and seconded by Ann Zimmerman; all in favor; motion passed. She then asked for approval of their request of \$1,000.00 for food and decorations for this dance. The motion was made to approve the \$1,000.00 by Angela Kieb and seconded by Verlie Farrell; all in favor; motion carried.

Unfinished Business

JoAnn then explained that we cannot come before the membership at this meeting to vote on necessary changes to our bylaws because we were unable to prepare and present the amendments in the required time prior to the meeting tonight. She added that the proposed changes are attached to tonight's agenda and asked everyone to look them over and please come to the March 6 meeting to vote.

Committee Reports

CERT

Angela Kieb, assistant team leader for CERT spoke on behalf of Pam Hanvik CERT team leader. Richard Gibbons is their digital information coordinator.

Angela said that beginning on February 1, 2017, Polk County will no longer be using Code Red as their notification vendor. If you are registered with Code Red, you will need to re-register for Alert Polk at www.alertpolk.com or through the county's website at polk-county.net. Click on the Alert Polk button in the top right corner of the county's website's home page to go to the Polk Alert registration page. People are no longer solely reliant on learning about emergencies through the media. Today, we can get immediate notification via smartphone, tablet, home phone, email, text and social media thanks to a new system that Polk County is now using. Alert Polk will be part of Alert Florida, the State of Florida's critical communications system shared with most public safety operations across the state. During situations that may affect the health, safety and welfare of Polk County residents, designated officials will send out messages to telephone numbers and email addresses within the affected geographic area.

Alert Polk is a free service; Polk County government will never sell or provide your information to a third party. Information collected will only be used for the Alert Polk system. For more information go to polk-county.net/EM or call the Emergency Management division at (863) 298-7000.

FMO

Fred Edwards said they are looking for volunteers to help with FMO. Joe Strahl and Barbara Wallace are on the committee. There will be a meeting at Tower Lakes this coming Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. He explained that the cost to join the FMO is \$25.00 per year, or \$65.00 for three years.

Activities

Billiards – David Downs said the billiards men hosted a pancake breakfast last month. Sixty people were in attendance. They will be having their tournament this month and he encouraged everyone one to come out and join them. He then added that he has had a couple of requests to start a women's billiards league. He said if you are interested, let him know and he would be willing to work on it.

Carport Sale – Elly Strahl said we are having this year’s sale on Saturday, March 4, from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. On Friday, March 3, from 4 to 6 p.m., there will be a sale for residents only. There is a \$5.00 fee to participate in the sale. This fee pays for ads in several publications and other notices distributed to various local businesses. We will need at least 20 participants in order to hold the sale.

Community Projects – Debbi King spoke on behalf of Doris Farrow. They would like to thank everyone who has donated items for their projects. She said that fabric is always needed.

They are going to have a strawberry shortcake social on Sunday the 19th of March from 2-4 p.m. Please sign up on the sheet in the activities room by March 16. The cost is \$4.00 per person. Tickets are available at Saturday morning coffee hour.

Dances – Agathe Virgo spoke on behalf of the dance committee about the upcoming Valentine’s dinner and dance on Saturday, February 18. She said 63 people have signed up for the dinner and 83 people are signed up to attend the dance. Dinner is at 5:00 p.m. and the dance starts at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$8.00 for the dinner only; \$7.00 for the dance only; or \$15.00 for both the dinner and the dance.

Agathe then added that up to 40 people are showing up for the Wednesday golf scramble. She said they will have their annual John Seay scramble on March 22 at Imperial Lakes Golf Course. If you are interested, please see the notice and sign-up sheet in the activities room.

Entertainment Unlimited – Cahal Dunne will be here on March 11, 2017. Dinner will be corned beef and cabbage. The tickets are \$25.00. Dinner will be \$10.00 and the show, \$15.00. You will be able to attend both or just the dinner or the performance. Dinner will be at 4:00 p.m. and the dance will start at 7:00 p.m.; there will be three separate sign-up sheets on the bulletin board in the activities room; one for just the dinner; one for just the dance; and the third for both the dinner and the dance.

Singspiration – Darrell Plyter said he will be hosting singspiration this coming Sunday. They meet here at the clubhouse at 7:00 p.m. for singing and fellowship. The theme for this month is “heart transplant”.

Shuffleboard – Joe Strahl said shuffleboard meets every Tuesday and Saturday at 10:00 a.m. They will be having their second annual tournament and pizza party on March 18. There is a sign-up sheet on the billiards equipment shed door. Joe thanked Eric Hipkiss and John Kennedy for helping with shuffleboard while he was away.

Eric Hipkiss then spoke about the importance of **volunteers** here in the park. He said that this park would not run without volunteers. Eric said that communications is very important here and thanked Cindy Carper who sends out the emails, Connie Cowling who coordinates the newsletter, Roberta Kirby who takes care of the website and the telephone directory and Frank Beattie who initiated and keeps up the blog.

Election Results – Carol Herchenroether reported that Angela Kieb and Connie Cowling have been voted to the board of directors. The board will convene within 72 hours, according to our by-laws, to select members to fill the positions of president, vice president, treasurer and secretary.

New Business

JoAnn Clifford said this is not something she would normally bring to the membership body, but that she and the other members of the board would like to have your input on this matter. She began by reading emails that were sent to her and the secretary concerning an announcement for the newsletter from a member of Friendship Church to use the clubhouse for meetings and bible study. It was stated that it would be open to anyone in the park who wants to attend. After much discussion it was decided that the newsletter is for HOA business, announcements of activities and/or private parties, plus neighborhood news, etc. Another request was received asking for this church group to be approved as an activity. After referring to our Policies, By-laws and Articles of Incorporation, JoAnn spoke to each board member individually to find out what their thoughts were regarding this issue. It is felt that this would not be in accordance with our Articles of Incorporation. This is in our Official

State Records for our Corporation, stating why we are a corporation and what our purpose is. All proposed new activities have to come before an activities meeting and be voted on by the committee chairpersons of all the activities.

There was a very lengthy discussion with members speaking both for and against this becoming an activity. Finally, it was requested that a proposal be submitted in writing to the activities group for their discussion and vote on whether or not it should be a sanctioned activity.

Announcements

Board of Directors Meeting	February 13, 2017	7:00 pm
Homeowners Association Special Meeting	March 6, 2017	7:00 pm

Pete Zaccarella commented on the fact that there are 41 people playing bocce now and he is still waiting for a second bocce court.

He also mentioned that next year we will be having a Home Show and work needs to start now on securing vendors to attend. He also said that when vendors return to the park for individual presentations, very few people, if any, show up.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Marie Westcott and seconded by Frank Beattie; all in favor; motion passed; the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Cowling
Secretary