

# MINUTES General Membership Meeting

March 8, 2016

## Art. 1 CALL TO ORDER

- **1.1** Meeting is called to order at 7:03 p.m. All stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence is observed.
- 1.2 Board Members present are: Doug Howison, Alice Murray, Sharman Carney, Dave Sharpe, Betty Stevens, Larry Henn, Sylvia Rodrigues, Sue Simmer and Chuck Snavely.
  Absent with notice: N/A
- 1.3 We have 43 members in attendance and 11 limited proxies and it is announced that we do have a quorum and can proceed with the meeting.
  Proof of Meeting Notice is noted.

## Art. 2 MINUTES

2.1 The minutes of the February 9, 2016 meeting are accepted as presented.

## Art. 3 TREASURERS REPORT:

Treasurer's report was given and will be attached to the official minutes.

# Art. 4 COMMITTEE REPORTS:

## 4.1 Bazaar:

Barb Heacock thanks everyone for their hard work, making the Bazaar a success. The preliminary income is \$5,250. The expenses are not yet final.

## 4.2 Care & Concern:

No official report.

## 4.3 Welcome:

Billie Lindsey visited 3 new resident's homes during February.

#### 4.4 FMO:

Dave Carr reports on the use of limited proxies, absentee ballots, Ad Valorem taxes, owners providing the prospectus to new buyers of their home and FMO training and certification for board members.

Jim Houlihan is #1 in recruiting new FMO members. The legal fund being set up by FMO is also discussed.

# 4.5 Bingo:

Joe Boike states that the speakers are not working properly.

## 4.6 LIC:

Alice Murray reports the importance of having your will meet the Florida state requirements.

#### 4.7 Social Activities:

Alice Murray discusses the upcoming events being held at the clubhouse. She also notes that there still isn't a coordinator for the ladies Christmas luncheon.

The next Social Activities meeting is Tuesday, March 15.

#### 4.8 Blood Mobile:

Pax Carper states that the Blood Mobile will be here on March 12, 2016 from 8 am – 12:30 pm.

# 4.9 Helping Hands:

No official report.

## 4.10 Beautification:

No official report.

## 4.11 Neighborhood Watch:

Larry Henn is proposing a "night of inspection" by the Neighborhood Watch team.

Larry demonstrates a wireless security alarm, which can be purchased for under \$12.50.

Pricing for a "live" security camera will be sought.

# 4.12 Travel Notes:

No official report.

## ART. 5 PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

## 5.1 Welcome of New Residents:

There are not any new residents at the homeowners meeting.

#### 5.2 Thank You to Bazaar Volunteers:

Doug again thanks all volunteers for making the 2016 Bazaar a success.

# 5.3 Importance of Volunteering:

Doug and Alice asked residents to consider volunteering to coordinate events. Alice displayed a book that is kept in the kitchen, with ideas and suggestions on how to host events.

# 5.4 Guest Speaker:

Tonight's guest speaker, Don Selvage, City of Lakeland Commissioner, did not attend our meeting as planned.

# Art. 6 Old and/or Unfinished Business:

# 6.1 ByLaws Committee Report:

Chuck Snavely asked if there were any questions for the bylaws committee. Wayne La Fever asked if any thought was given to have board members serve for 3 years instead of 2 years. Chuck said this was considered but due to the struggle of recruiting board members, the decision was made to leave the term as 2 years. There being no further discussion, a unanimous vote was passed to accept the bylaw changes as presented.

## 6.2 Beacon Terrace Gear:

A signup sheet is on the bulletin board. This will be discussed further during the summer.

## 6.3 Guest Speakers for Future Meetings:

There is a suggestion sheet on the bulletin board.

## 6.4 Budget Committee:

The Budget Committee will meet during the upcoming week. The budget will be reviewed and approved by the board. For the 2017 budget, a committee will begin reviewing it in December 2016.

## Art. 7 New Business

# 7.1 Nominating Committee for 2017 Board Members:

Doug asked for volunteers for the Nominating Committee. Sylvia volunteered to head this up.

# 7.2 Social Activity Meeting:

Doug again reminded everyone to attend the March 15<sup>th</sup> Social Activities meeting in order to plan events for the summer and

next season.

## Art. 8 Comments from floor:

8.1 Ken Erskin asked if the BOD had reviewed his letter regarding residents sponsoring private parties at the clubhouse. Doug explained that it had been discussed with management and were awaiting a reply from ELS.

Ann Snavely reminded everyone that the ladies luncheon was being held on Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup>.

Karen Meyers suggested that new residents be assigned a sort of "guardian angel" to help them become acclimated to Beacon Terrace and also to bring them to events.

Dave Carr was wished well on this upcoming surgery.

## ART. 9 FUTURE MEETINGS:

- **9.1** Next meeting of the BOD is November 1, 2016 at 4 p.m.
- **9.2** Next General Membership Meeting November 8, 2016 at 7 p.m.

## ART. 10 ADJOURNMENT:

**10.1** Meeting adjourns 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharman Carney, Secretary