

Del Oro Groves Estates
Homeowners' Association Board Meeting
January 31, 2013

Attendees: John Breen, Chip Tieder, George Compton, Kelly Myer, Jerry Baker, Katie Baker, Lucile Casey, Michael Ciaramello, Alissa Ciaramello, Becky DeCroteau, Kristin Langley, Beth Marshall, Sharon Mills, Karyn Reames, and Robert Schwartz.

Meeting was called to order at 7:17 p.m.

Minutes from December 14, 2012 board meeting were reviewed. Robert Schwartz made a motion to accept minutes. Chip Tieder seconded. Approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Bank account balance was approximately \$10,700.00 as of December 2012. John Breen provided a copy of the Wells Fargo account activity summary showing transactions since August 23, 2012 with an ending balance of \$11,020.73 as of January 30, 2013.

Material costs for monument sign lighting were under \$600. John Breen estimated that it will cost approximately \$13.00/per year for four LED lights to run 12 hours/day. The Harmel's at 3345 San Bernadino Street will not require the HOA to reimburse them for the power costs.

Ciaramello's would like to have the check they received from the HOA be applied to their annual dues for the next few years instead of being reimbursed for work on the historical signs. Check is to be shredded.

The Annual Meeting will be a way to collect dues for the upcoming calendar year.

John Breen and George Compton will update the September and December 2012 Treasurer's Report, the 2012 Budget vs. 2012 Actual, and the 2013 Budget and present them to the Board at the March 20, 2013 meeting for review and approval.

Committee Reports

Annual Meeting:

Board is planning to hold the 2013 annual meeting in October 2013.

Garage Sales:

2013 Garage Sale dates are March 2nd and October 5th.

Airport:

Karyn Reames went to the St. Petersburg-Clearwater International Airport's quarterly meeting on January 17th. Del Oro Groves residents, JB Johnson and Jerry Karp, were also in attendance and are members of the Aircraft Noise Abatement Task Force (NATF). The airport logs noise complaints and reports what neighborhood they originated in. Del Oro Groves was only indicated as "Clearwater." Need to publish in our neighborhood communications that residents should select "Del Oro Groves" in the Subdivision dropdown box when completing the noise complaint form on www.fly2PIE.com. Some of the reasons for noise were that there are new pilots flying, FedEx has more flights, and weather changes can cause

different flight patterns. Kelly Myer to publish the airport's web address and a link to log a noise complaint in the next newsletter and on the Del Oro Groves Web site.

Landscape:

Email Cathy Breen at smokey6123@aol.com with nomination ideas.

Neighborhood Crime Watch:

John and Cathy Breen published the December 2012 crime watch report via the email distribution list. Received a report that college students were living in a shed in the neighborhood and the City is looking into it.

Hospitality:

Britt Schwartz will be delivering more scones shortly. She may have extra Directories, so please contact her if you need one.

Volunteer Force:

Need to solicit for Directory advertisements. See notes under Directory section.

Directory:

Directory advertising is \$25 for a business card size, \$50 for half page, and \$100 for a whole page. Ask Vickie Santullo to create a marketing flyer that we can provide to businesses when soliciting for ads. The flyer could contain information about our neighborhood demographics, such as number of households, average income, average age, etc.

NOTE FOR NEXT DIRECTORY: Please do not place the pizza ad in the center of the Directory at the next printing.

Directory ads are due by April 1, 2013.

Kristin Langley volunteered to assist Leticia Morgan with any of the Directory/database updates. Alissa Ciaramello will contact Leticia for the most recent list of households to explore the use of Constant Contact.

Alissa Ciaramello will investigate Constant Contact and present its capabilities to the Board at the March 20, 2013 meeting.

Picnic:

April 13, 2013 is the Clearwater Neighborhoods' Day. Assume the same budget as 2012. For those interested in helping with the picnic, the next planning meeting will be February 12th at 7:00 p.m. at The Myer's, 3311 San Bernadino Street.

Community Service/Helping Hands:

The Web site, www.takethemameal.com, was used to coordinate meals for The Stanley's and their new baby. Betty Arnold volunteered to coordinate meals for the elderly and send sympathy cards when needed. Discussion to solicit for a list of volunteers to visit and/or provide meals to our elderly.

Block Parties/Phone Tree:

The Rowe's hosted a successful "I Survived the End of the World" on San Bernadino Street block party on December 21, 2012.

Bunko:

Meets 1st Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm. Beth Marshall is hosting on February 7th.

CNC:

Becky DeCroteau made a motion to renew the annual Clearwater Neighborhoods Coalition membership in the amount of \$40 for 2013. Chip Tieder seconded. Approved unanimously.

Beth Marshall, Sharon Mills, and Michael Ciaramello will attend the February 4, 2013 meeting at The Salvation Army at 1521 Druid Road. They will deliver the membership renewal check & application. Michael Ciaramello will ask Code Compliance Division for *Citizens Code Compliance* handbooks.

Newsletter:

The 1st Quarter newsletter is ready to print. Kristin Langley has volunteered to create a Neighborhood resident spotlight either quarterly (for newsletter) or every other month to be published on the Website, Facebook, and email distribution.

Website/Facebook:

No new updates.

Old Business

- A yellow stripe was painted on the curb near San Mateo and Madera to deter vehicles from parking there.
- Progress Energy has been contacted regarding burned out streetlights.
- D-Link application is being tested for connectivity and in the future will be recording at various security cameras in the neighborhood. Web DVR has not been explored yet. The D-Link video camera is model# DCS-932L.

New Business

- A motion was made to appoint William "Chip" Tieder as an authorized signatory for the Del Oro Groves Estates HOA bank account. Lucile Casey made a motion. Sharon Mills seconded. Approved unanimously.
- Mimi Burley recently published a book titled My Extraordinary Journey chronicling her life with her husband. Contact Mimi if you are interested in purchasing a copy.
- Discussion regarding upgrading our street signs to coordinate with the historical signs. Michael Ciaramello and Kristin Langley will investigate further and report any findings at the next board meeting.
- The Board had additional discussion regarding a "dues drive" for the beginning of 2013 such as local business donations, raising the annual fee, advertisements in the Directory, publishing a new list of membership benefits, Holiday bows only placed on mailboxes of paid households, and advertising/coupons on the Del Oro Groves Web site. There is also the possibility of converting the Directory into an electronic version to save funds.

The Dues Drive is titled "Your \$25 Helps Del Oro Groves Thrive." A Benefits of Membership letter will be included in the 1st Quarter Newsletter along with envelopes. Also discussion about having a competition for the street with highest dues participation.

Future Board Meetings at 7:00 p.m.

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| March 20 th | Michael & Alissa Ciaramello (PLEASE NOTE THIS NEW DATE & LOCATION) |
| May 16 th | John & Cathy Breen |
| July 18 th | Jerry & Katie Baker |
| September 19 th | Japer & Del Scott |
| November 6 th | Tentative at Safety Harbor Library |
| December ? | TBD -Volunteer Holiday Party |

Thank you to Beth Marshall for hosting the meeting!

Kristin Langley made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Robert Schwartz. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Myer, Secretary