**Del Oro Groves Estates**

**Homeowners’ Association Board Meeting**

**March 15, 2012**

**Board Members Present:** John Breen, JoAnne Roby, Robert Schwartz, Cathy Breen, Lucile Casey, Del Scott, Beth Marshall, Sharon Mills, Marsha Hahn, Alissa Ciaramello, Michael Ciaramello, Britt Schwartz, Christine Knighton, Kelly Myer

John Breen called meeting to order at 7:18 p.m.

**Minutes** of January 26, 2012 were reviewed. Del Scott made a motion to approve minutes as presented. Robert Schwartz seconded.

**Treasurer’s Report** Robert Schwartz provided hard copies. YTD ending balance is $14,102.62. Robert will provide the amount of the remaining balance of Grant money. Grant money (remaining balance) still needs to be added under the Grant section in Treasurer’s Report. Sharon Mills made a motion to approve Treasurer’s Report. Marsha Hahn seconded.

Janet Schellenberger will contact Robert Schwartz to schedule audit by June 2012. Her numbers are (727) 797-4375 or (727) 515-8372.

**Committee Reports**

**Garage Sales:**

Next garage sale is September 29th, 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Good Samaritan Episcopal Church did not pick up leftover garage sale items for donation to Religious Community Services.

**Signs:**

No new updates on historical signs project. Christine Knighton will get estimate from Michael Sacco for trimming palms at monument sign near Madera and power washing the monument sign at end of San Bernadino at Bayshore. She will also ask Michael Sacco for native plant suggestions for the monument signs. Kelly Myer will paint over letters once sign is cleaned.

**Newsletter:**

A hard copy newsletter will be mailed mid to late April. Submissions due by April 15, 2012. Newsletter will highlight benefits of membership. Respond to Jared Leone at Clearwater Patch and ask him to post our Del Oro Web site address on his site. Secretary will also email Jared to publish any special events. Suggestions to discuss neighborhood pre-paid contact card, Constant Contact to validate emails, and possible neighborhood call night to obtain updated contact information. A box will be at the picnic for people to provide their contact information.

**Picnic:**

Committee met on March 11, 2012 to finalize plans. Henry Mills and Michael Ciaramello have volunteered to do the grilling. Clearwater Neighborhoods Day is Saturday, March 24, 2012. Anyone who wants to help set-up should arrive by 10:15 a.m. Discussion for future picnics to include a 50/50 with donations made to charity.

**Website/Facebook:**

All Board members should email a photo of themselves to Jesse Dougherty at [3151dougherty@gmail.com](http://mail.live.com/?rru=compose%3faction%3dcompose%26to%3d3151dougherty%40gmail.com&ru=https%3a%2f%2fprofile.live.com%2fcid-66955f7749cd24fa%2fdetails%2f%3fcontactId%3d1d8bf1e4-bc7a-42c0-972d-f28262fe94d6%26ru%3dhttp%253A%252F%252Fby170w.bay170.mail.live.com%252Fmail%252FContactMainLight.aspx%253FContactFilter%253D9%2526n%253D1814554136) for publication on the Web site.

**Neighborhood Watch:**

John and Cathy Breen published a February 2012 update and emailed to the distribution list. A boat motor was stolen from a driveway on San Bernadino. Burglary attempt at San Jose. For the next update, they will include a reminder about locking doors and windows during these summer months and beware of solicitors.

**Public Relations:**

No new updates. Secretary will send neighborhood events to Clearwater Patch.

**Annual Meeting:**

Katie Baker will schedule annual meeting at Safety Harbor Library rooms A and B for Thursday, November 8, 2012 once the reservations window opens.

**Landscape:**

The Murphy’s at 3182 San Jose have been nominated for March 2012. Email Cathy Breen at [smokey6123@aol.com](http://mail.live.com/?rru=compose%3faction%3dcompose%26to%3dsmokey6123%40aol.com&ru=https%3a%2f%2fprofile.live.com%2fcid-66955f7749cd24fa%2fdetails%2f%3fcontactId%3de33a3813-0000-0000-0000-000000000000%26ru%3dhttp%253A%252F%252Fby170w.bay170.mail.live.com%252Fmail%252FContactMainLight.aspx%253FContactFilter%253D2%2526n%253D1914809654) with nomination ideas.

**Hospitality:**

Britt Schwartz delivered scones to three more households. She invited new residents to the picnic.

**Directory:**

No new updates.

**Helping Hands:**

No new updates.

**Volunteer Force:**

Discussion about notifying high school students about volunteer hours that are available to them. Maybe create and post signs to solicit volunteers. Need to designate specific volunteer opportunities and create a Volunteer Sign-up Form. Incentives could be Volunteer of the Month, Quarter, or Year. Ask Vickie Santullo to see if she can have a Volunteer Table at the picnic. Also discussion about creating a form letter from Del Oro Groves Estates to send to schools. John Breen made a motion to request $200 to create Volunteer signs for the purpose of promotion of social media and Volunteer Force. Motion approved.

**Community Service:**

Clarification made on the purpose of this committee. RCS food drives twice a year and Del Oro’s commitment to the Adopt-A-Mile on McMullen-Booth Road between Drew and SR-590. Lucile Casey will coordinate with …. and set a date for the next Adopt-A-Mile program. We need a chairperson for this committee. Michael Ciaramello has volunteered to mow lawns in Del Oro Groves. Discussion about a home on San Domingo that needs the lawn mowed.

**Block Parties/Phone Tree:**

San Bernadino will have a block party on April 21st for homes on San Bernadino between Bayshore and Alameda. Party location is at The Rowe’s, 3325 San Bernadino.

**Bunko:**

Meets 1st Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm. Beth Marshall is hosting for April. Dates and hostesses are scheduled for all of 2012. Men of Del Oro Groves are invited to attend trivia night at The Grind House on the 1st Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.

**CNC:**

No new updates.

**Old Business**

Boats are still parked in front of two homes. The City of Clearwater should be contacted for code violations. Board should send friendly reminder if City cannot enforce.

**New Business**

-Airport Schedule: Peak season right now. FYI will be published in the next newsletter to inform residents why the airport noise has increased.

-Cooper’s Bayou: Robert Booth brought forth a concern about the trimming of the reeds and bushes as well as the alligator over 3 feet in length. Christine Knighton made a motion to send a letter from the Board to the City of Clearwater. Lucile Casey seconded.

-Suggestion made to establish events for Seniors (morning walks/coffee, Bingo, etc.) as well as highlight them in future newsletters. Juniors and Seniors in high school to be highlighted, too. Invite a Senior citizen to each Board meeting and then feature them in the newsletter.

**Future Board Meetings:**

May 17th Del & Jasper Scott 7:00 p.m.

July 19th Jerry and Katie Baker 7:00 p.m.

Sept. 27th Beth Marshall 7:00 p.m.

Dec. 13th John & Cathy Breen 6:00 p.m.

Del Scott made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Sharon Mills.

Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kelly Myer, Secretary.