

**Del Oro Groves Estates  
Homeowners' Association Board Meeting  
May 16, 2013**

**Attendees:** John Breen, Chip Tieder, Kelly Myer, Michael Ciaramello, Alissa Ciaramello, Becky DeCroteau, Sharon Mills, Carolyn Pascual, Rusty Pascual, Christine Knighton, Lucille Jensen, Britt Schwartz, and Robert Schwartz, Karyn Reames, Kristin Langley, Vickie Santullo, Lucile Casey, and Del Scott.

Meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

**Minutes** from March 20, 2013 board meeting were reviewed. Christine Knighton made a motion to accept minutes. Robert Schwartz seconded. Approved unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report**

Robert Schwartz assisted John Breen with auditing 2012 financials and updated the current financials through April 30, 2013. For 2012, we started with a \$12,619.78 balance and finished with a \$10,520.73 ending balance. The grant funds were exhausted in 2012. For 2013, the association is estimated to take in \$5,000 in membership dues.

Christine Knighton made a motion to approve the 2012 financial statements as presented. Chip Tieder seconded.

A line item for the band expense under the Picnic budget for 2013 should be \$300 as that was what was paid to the band for the 2012 picnic. CORRECTION: Also, a 2013 Budget line item should be added for Directory/Advertising with anticipated revenues of \$1,000 and expenses of \$1,000.

**Committee Reports**

**Annual Meeting:**

Board is planning to hold the 2013 annual meeting in October 2013. The Safety Harbor Library is scheduling through September as of now.

**Garage Sales:**

Next Garage Sale is October 5th. New garage sale signs will be needed in the future. Discussion about purchasing three portable, reusable A-Frame signs instead of wire signs in the future.

**Airport:**

Karyn Reames attended the St. Petersburg-Clearwater International Airport's quarterly meeting on April 17, 2013. The airport's new slogan is "Tampa Bay the Easy Way." Allegiant is retrofitting their MD80 aircrafts. The airport's voluntary quiet period is between 11pm and 6am. UPS has a new flight schedule with airplanes arriving at 4:58am and 5:40am. Safety Harbor opposes this new schedule and is threatening to boycott UPS. The airport has a webpage to sign-up for updates and the link was posted on the Del Oro Groves website. Kelly Myer will investigate whether the Del Oro website can receive live feeds.

**Landscape:**

Email Cathy Breen at smokey6123@aol.com with nomination ideas. Winners are being posted on the Del Oro Groves website each month. A few nominations were received through the Google email account.

**Neighborhood Crime Watch:**

One suspicious activity reported.

**Hospitality:**

Britt Schwartz has delivered scones to 10 households from February through end of April 2013. She may have 3 more households to greet. Mark & Brenda Getka at 3215 San Jose need scones. Lucile Casey will provide Britt with an updated list of new residents.

**Volunteer Force:**

No new updates.

**Directory:**

Directory advertising is \$25 for a business card size, \$50 for half page, and \$100 for a whole page. Directory ads are due by the next board meeting on July 18, 2013. Vickie Santullo has emailed all of the current Directory advertisers to solicit their participation in the new Directory.

John Breen will email a flyer to the Board that can be used when soliciting ads.

**Picnic:**

Christine Knighton will assume the picnic Chairperson role. Approximately 70 people attended in 2013. Picnic hours will be 11:00am-1:00pm. The City of Clearwater will be invited in 2014 and the date will coincide with the Celebrate Clearwater Neighborhoods Day. The Mayor attended and brought a free ice cream truck. The bounce house will be positioned in the shade next time, may hire a balloon artist, and the committee will solicit sponsorship from local businesses to offset the costs. Christine Knighton recommends a \$1,000 budget for 2014 along with a \$1,000 sponsorship goal. There was discussion to incorporate a charity aspect. Also, the bounce house may need to be rented for at least 30 minutes after the picnic time ends.

**Community Service/Helping Hands:**

No new updates.

**Block Parties/Phone Tree:**

Used monthly at a cost of \$75/month for up to 300 phone numbers. Reaches 286 telephone numbers right now. San Bernadino will plan a block party in October 2013.

**Bunko:**

Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:30pm, except for July & August. Lucile Casey is hosting on June 6<sup>th</sup>.

**CNC:**

Michael Ciaramello attends every other month. Sharon Mills attended two months ago. Hot topics at the CNC meetings are Crescent Lake Park restrooms and redesign. Next meeting is June 3, 2013.

**Newsletter:**

Next newsletter will be published in June.

**Website/Facebook:**

No new updates.

**Old Business**

- Dues Drive

Still have approximately 130 households that have not paid their annual dues. John Breen will provide a list of unpaid members including addresses in order to begin contacting households. Kelly Myer will email the sorted list to the Calling Campaign Volunteers who will then contact the unpaid households via telephone and/or email to solicit for dues prior to July 1, 2013. Beginning in July, invoices will be mailed to the remaining unpaid households.

*Calling Campaign Assignments (Calls to be made before July 1, 2013)*

- o Maximo – Becky DeCroteau
- o San Domingo Street and Court – Alissa Ciaramello
- o San Gabriel – Rusty & Carolyn Pascual
- o San Jose – Marsha Hahn
- o San Mateo – The Baker’s
- o San Pedro – The Breen’s
- o San Bernadino – Christine Knighton
- o San Carlos – Kristin Langley
- o Alameda – Lucile Casey & Del Scott
- o Monterey & Madera – John & Carole Deerin

- Directory

Vickie Santullo provided suggestions to create an electronic Directory in order to decrease the printing costs. Discussion about renewing current advertisers at existing pricing, but increasing ad pricing for new advertisers and/or charging double for color ads.

Current rates are: ¼ page \$25, ½ page \$50, whole page \$100.

Vickie Santullo has emailed existing advertisers. Ads are due by the next board meeting on July 18, 2013. New Directory will be completed by Annual Meeting for distribution.

Tabled discussion on whether to publish the Directory annually or once every two years as well as whether to increase rates.

Vickie solicits in Publix Plaza, Main Street in Safety Harbor, and strip mall across from Sam Ash Music. Michael Ciaramello will walk Main Street in Safety Harbor.

**New Business**

- Open Officer Position: Christine Knighton has volunteered to assume interim-Treasurer duties beginning in July as appointed by the Board. While John Breen is out of town, a P.O. Box key will be provided for Chip Tieder and Christine Knighton. Official voting slate will be published in the newsletter prior to the annual meeting.

- Security: The Board had previously agreed upon a \$500 budget to purchase additional IP cameras. We need additional cameras near 1101 Maximo and 3330 San Domingo in the future once revenues increase.
- **Nextdoor.com:** John Breen explored the website, but does not recommend using it at this time.

**Future Board Meetings at 7:00 p.m.**

July 18<sup>th</sup> Jerry & Katie Baker  
September 19<sup>th</sup> John & Cathy Breen  
November 6<sup>th</sup> Tentative at Safety Harbor Library  
December ? **TBD**-Volunteer Holiday Party

Thank you to The Scott's for hosting the meeting!

Robert Schwartz made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Becky DeCroteau. Motion carried.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Myer, Secretary