**Del Oro Groves Estates**

**Homeowners’ Association Board Meeting**

**December 14, 2012**

**Attendees:** John Breen, JoAnne Roby, Kelly Myer, Beth Marshall, Chip Tieder, Michael Ciaramello, Alyssa Ciaramello, Robert Schwartz, Sharon Mills, Marsha Hahn, Del Scott, Jerry Baker, Katie Baker, and Lucile Casey.

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

**Minutes** from September 27, 2012 board meeting were reviewed. Beth Marshall made a motion to accept minutes. JoAnne Roby seconded.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Reviewed September 2012 report. George Compton will email updated report when he returns from New York and it will be reviewed and approved at the January 2013 board meeting.

$10,999.78 balance as of September 2012. Historical signs were $1146, another $100 for supplies, and payment for installer will be approximately $500. Call-em-All needs to be reimbursed since May 2012. Del Oro had approximately $1200 in the grant budget which has now been exhausted. A portion of the general fund was used for the remaining historical sign costs.

Board discussed a “dues drive” for the beginning 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.

**Committee Reports**

**Annual Meeting:**

Board will consider holding the 2013 annual meeting in October 2013.

**Garage Sales:**

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

**Signs:**

Historical signs are installed. Contractor needs final approval/review from City of Clearwater. Entrance monument signs are having difficulty with solar lights remaining lit. John Breen spoke with neighbors at monument signs and they have agreed to allow the HOA to tap into their power supply. HOA can return $25 annual membership dues to two addresses near monument signs. Harmel’s asked for capital outlay for DC system and they will have benefit of power cost reimbursement from HOA.

John Breen purchased two DC systems for $500 initial investment to properly electrify signage at both monument signs. John’s neighbor is an electrician to install. Progress Energy option would be more expensive than pulling power from residents’ homes. We can re-deploy solar signs along Bayshore Blvd.

A motion was made and approved that the specific addresses at 3345 San Bernadino and 3150 San Bernadino will receive “free” annual HOA membership as long as those specified addresses provide access to their power supply to illuminate the monument signs. John Breen made a motion. Michael Ciaramello seconded.

Thank you to John Breen and Gail Hubbard for cleaning up the monument signs!

**Landscape:**

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.

**Neighborhood Crime Watch:**

John and Cathy Breen will published the December crime watch report via the email distribution list.

**Hospitality:**

No updates.

**Volunteer Force:**

No new updates.

**Directory:**

No new updates.

**Picnic:**

April 13, 2013 is the Clearwater Neighborhoods’ Day.

**Community Service/Helping Hands:**

No new updates.

**Block Parties/Phone Tree:**

San Bernadino block party scheduled for December 21, 2012.

**Bunko:**

Meets 1st Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm.

**CNC:**

No new updates.

**Newsletter:**

Include notice that benefits, such as the Holiday bows, will only be provided to dues paying households.

**Website/Facebook:**

No new updates.

**Old Business**

* San Mateo at Bayshore is a dangerous intersection. Foliage has been cut back. The Arnold’s have not had to cut their bushes as of yet.
* Owner at San Pedro and Bayshore refused to cut bushes shorter for safety. City could be contacted to remedy this.

**New Business**

-San Mateo and Madera renter has reported suspicious activity near curb. Neighborhood Liaison Police Officer will install additional sign near curb and more patrols. Camera will be installed as well.

-John Breen will have a demanding schedule as his job is transferring to Dallas, TX.

-Revenue ideas for 2013. See Treasurer’s Report section.

A motion was made and approved to include an article in the January newsletter stating that if you are not a paid member in 2013 the following services will be discontinued for your home: a Holiday bow on your mailbox, no invitation to picnic & annual meeting, and no Directory. Robert Schwartz made a motion. Michael Ciaramello seconded.

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

January 31st Beth Marshall

March 21st Robert Schwartz

May 16th John Breen

July 18th Jerry & Katie Baker

September 19th Del Scott

November 6th Tentative at Safety Harbor Library

December **? TBD-**Volunteer Holiday Party

Thank you to John and Cathy Breen for hosting the meeting!

Robert Schwartz made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Sharon Mills.

Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kelly Myer, Secretary.