

MINUTES

THE SPRINGS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

Clubhouse - 400 Woodbridge Road, Longwood, FL

Wednesday, August 16, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Board members present were: Jerry Alexandrowicz, President; Jerry Crews, Vice President; Austin Beeghly, Secretary; and directors James Cornell, and Rosie Sterling. Community Association Manager, David Forthuber, was present. Six home owners also attended.

CALL TO ORDER

Noting that the meeting had been properly posted and a quorum was present, Board President Jerry Alexandrowicz called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Jerry Alexandrowicz noted that treasurer Robert Johnston returns from physical rehabilitation on 8/19 and will resume attending at the September board meeting.

SECRETARY'S REPORT – Austin Beeghly advised that the July 19, 2017 minutes have been reviewed and are accurate. *He moved to approve them. Jerry Crews seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

TREASURER'S REPORT – David Forthuber reviewed the monthly financial summary he provides. Receipt of assessments is \$3590 below the estimate for this point in the year. Expenditures are also below estimates, but the manager reminded those in attendance that the final quarter of the year was often most costly since seasonal landscape and grounds expenditures are greater then. The SCA had \$1,121,892 in its operating fund on 7/30/17. Monthly expenditures have averaged \$126,360 year-to-date. There were 3 home sales over the past 30 days, and one foreclosure.

MANAGEMENT REPORT – None of the directors had questions for the manager about the August report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – None of the directors had questions about the committee reports.

MEMBERS OPEN FORUM: Agata Fowler, 121 Wisteria, inquired whether there were any plans to improve the interior of the clubhouse. The manager advised that paint would be refreshed and that he recently ordered new furnishings, with the approval of the board president, because many residents had complained there was nowhere comfortable to sit.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Mr. Alexandrowicz noted that the Board had no old business to address tonight.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mr. Alexandrowicz advised that the ACC had asked the Board to make a decision on whether a sign board for official messages, recently erected in Glenwood Village, was permissible. He noted that the Covenants & Restrictions permitted signage only if the purpose fulfilled a legal requirement and was no larger than 24" by 24". The new sign board is 36" by 36." The consensus of the board members was that a change in the sign size restrictions required a vote by the SCA members, an option which could be undertaken if there was considerable support for it, but for now the sign board must come down.
- Mr. Alexandrowicz advised that a member of the community had approached him about the possibility of having a Springs' *residents only* fall festival on November 4th. The vision for the festival includes an antique car show, a fashion show, a Dress Up Your Dog competition, and a musical performance by Elvis Wade, who is a personal friend of resident Claire Schwartz. The directors asked several questions about crowd control, event planning participants, and financial responsibility. *Jerry Alexandrowicz moved to allow Ms. Schwartz to come up with a more detailed plan that addressed these concerns and the Board could approve or deny it at the 9/20/17board meeting. Jamie Cornell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

- Mr. Alexandrowicz noted that Security Chief Clive Wagner and the Security Committee had advised the Board several months ago that a principal cause of resident lane gate malfunction appears to be the increasingly poor quality of barcode decals. The misreads prevent the gate arm from lifting. Austin Beeghly, a member of the Security Committee, also advised that cell phone images of a barcode decal could be flashed at the card reader and the gate arm would lift. The Board asked the manager to look into RFID technology, similar to what is used on toll highways, as an alternative way to trigger the gate arm. Images of RFID tags will not trigger gate opening. The manager obtained bids for RFID technology from three reputable bidders and the Board is now being asked to select one of the bidders. RSS Security bid \$33,081, Lane Electronics bid \$28,285, and Accurate Electronics bid \$36,321. Each bid includes installation of hardware, labor, provision of 3000 RFID windshield tags and taxes. Citing the fact that Lane Electronics has been highly praised by the security chief and the manager for rapid and capable repair response, and noting that they are the lowest bidder, *Jerry Alexandrowicz moved to accept the Lane Electronics RFID bid. Austin Beeghly seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*
- **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Austin Beeghly, Secretary

Date