

Property Owners Association General Meeting

Tuesday, November 20, 2012

The meeting was called to order by the President, Elaine Dreidame, at 7:00 PM.

Present: Elaine Dreidame, Bill Garner, Jerry Ferlisi, Carolyn Reichel, Jerry Vicenti, Ray Banks, Paul Fusco, Mary Paulsboe, Myron Henry, Frank Carr, Ron Husted, Excused: Sal Torname, Ken Copp.

Elaine announced that effective January, the POA looks forward to having a camera feed available in the overflow room with audio to accommodate a larger group.

The minutes of the October meeting were approved as read.

Jerry Ferlisi presented the Treasurer's report noting that our net operating cash flow was \$5418; ad revenue \$11673; expenses \$5419 with the Bulletin being the largest portion. The report was approved as presented.

Jerry Vicenti presented the Membership report stating that the first Email request for 2013 dues was sent out 11/5. Unfortunately, there were some problems and it was not received by everyone, therefore it will be repeated. He asked residents to be understanding. Our first mailed request will be the first week of January. He also noted that there is an application in the monthly Bulletin on page 3 for the membership's convenience. He thanked all for their interest and dedication to the principles and goals of the POA.

Bob Follas, representing SHINE, reminded attendees that Medicare's Open Enrollment period ends December 7, 2012. It is advisable to check your coverage to assure it fits your needs. That can be done on your computer at [www.Medicare.gov](http://www.Medicare.gov), or by attending one of SHINE's counseling sessions as noted in the newspaper.

Bill Garner Jr. (son of our VP Bill Garner) representing Edward Jones was given the floor to discuss the services he offers as a Financial Advisor. He stated that his approach is to establish financial goals with his clients, develop a plan, and review the plan with the resident every six months. Bill was available at the back of the room for individual questions.

POA elections for 2013: Elaine announced that Frank Carr, after 12 years of faithful service to the POA was retiring. In his place, Ed Highland will be joining the group. Len Hathaway conducted the elections for the 2013 officers: President, Elaine Dreidame; Vice President, Bill Garner; Treasurer, Jerry Ferlisi; Secretary, Carolyn Reichel, Directors: Ray Banks, Ken Copp, Paul Fusco, Jerry Vicenti, Myron Henry; Sal Torname; Ron Husted; Ed Highland, ;Mary Paulsboe.

Open Forum: Questions were taken from the audience. Rich Lambrecht, ACC member, was available to assist the POA.

Parades: Multiple residents requested the POA become actively involved in the recent decision by the Entertainment Dept. along with the Developer, that parades in the town squares will no longer be

allowed effective January 2013. Elaine announced that at this time the POA will not be taking a leadership position in the matter, as the VHA, to her knowledge will be investigating the circumstances involved in this sudden and disappointing decision. If, in the future, the POA can provide assistance, we will. Residents wishing to express their positions may contact the POA at poa4us@hotmail.com. Meanwhile, John Rohan, Director of Recreation, being in attendance as our speaker for the evening, was asked for his input and he agreed with Elaine that we need more information before jumping to conclusions on the future of parades in the Villages. The POA will keep residents informed as information becomes available.

A resident reiterated interest in the Villages providing a covered pool for those who enjoy the water, but are unable to be in the sun. The cost of such an improvement would be prohibitive, therefore there are no plans at this time.

Mention was made of the number of young people on the squares after 9pm. Residents need to remember that the squares are public property. As long as those involved are behaving appropriately, there isn't much that can be done. To keep things in perspective, Community Watch has been increased as well as law enforcement. All residents need to be willing to access assistance in the event they witness behavior that is not appropriate. Complaining does no good. Elaine reminded attendees that the squares are owned by the Developer and leased from him for activities from 3pm until 10 pm daily.

**Speaker: John Rohan, Director of Recreation, spoke on: Gearing up for the Fun Season.** John provided an informative and interesting talk about recreation in the Villages. Statistics include: currently there are 28 recreation centers; all activities are run by volunteers; with staff coordinating equipment for activities; we now have seasonal based scheduling to accommodate the fluctuations in numbers of participants. John was proud to announce that the Villages has been accredited for their activity program, the first CDD to ever receive that accolade. John was available for individual questions after the meeting. Elaine thanked John for all his hard work and dedication to making the Villages a favorite for retirees.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM.

Coffee, donuts, conversations with new and old friends were available after the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn Reichel, Secretary