## **POA Membership Meeting**

## Tuesday, July 18, 2017

The meeting was called to order by the President, Cliff Weiner, at 7:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence to remember our troops.

Roll call showed all members present with the exception of Bill Yelverton, excused.

<u>Treasurer's report</u> showed June 2017 income \$8685; expenses \$12,671; leaving us with a net operating cash flow of negative \$3986; and operating cash of \$179,290.

The <u>Membership report</u> thanked new members for joining us. Numbers are important to us as the larger the Villages grows, our costs of managing and delivering the Bulletin also increase.

At the <u>back tables</u> are representatives from Seniors v. Crime, Lightning experts, and District Gov representatives for your convenience and individual questions.

Cash raffle made three lucky ticket holders each \$30 richer.

<u>Open Forum</u>: is the time we listen to attendees and their individual questions and concerns. Responses may appear in future Bulletin articles.

Can anybody explain what a red alert is?

One resident was concerned about the status of his lawn in a new neighborhood.

What is the latest with the water surcharge?

Another resident expressed concerns about the Villages continuing to grow and expand.

Speaker: Janet Tutt. District Manager of the Villages was available to discuss "What's new in the Villages". Her first comment was to thank the POA for the accurate and up to date information available in the Bulletin. She credited it as being a great vehicle for decimating information in an orderly and timely manner.

Janet wants residents to understand that she is responsible to the VCCDD and is not personally responsible for setting policy – that is managed by elected officials. She does value input from residents and encourages them to stay up-to-date on Village policies and positions, by visiting Distrctgov.org. where one can now access the Welcome Wednesday News, a new newsletter that is being published in addition to the Welcome Wednesday meeting which is held at the District Office in Sumter Landing each Wednesday morning.

She described an updated E billing system recently implemented for resident's convenience and available on Districtgov.org.

She spoke of many other issues including: the new committee of the PWAC that will manage districts 5 – 11's amenity fees; "The Enrichment Academy" which is the new name for the LLC, which will have its kick-off session 8 – 11am on August 3rd at Lake Sumter Landing with the course catalog being available in The Villages Daily SUN on Monday August 7<sup>th</sup> as well as on line at the District gov site.; July 28<sup>th</sup> Saddlebrook will re-open; the recreation dept. is now known as "Recreation and Parks"; an update of the water surcharge; and public safety as it concerns fire stations and the status of the firefighters wage negotiations.

It was a fact-filled time we hope everyone benefited from. These and many other issues will appear in the Bulletin or in Welcome Wednesday News for further explanation. She was available to answer many questions during and after the meeting were answered.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Reichel, Secretary