

Scottsmoor Community Association *Amended* Minutes for November 16th, 2009

The meeting was preceded by a Spaghetti Dinner from 4:30 – 6:30.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President, Marieanne Syverson. Other officers present were Arnie Benson, vice president, Kate Perez, secretary and Glenda VanGilder, treasurer. 21 members present.

Introduction of Guests – Travis Tindal was introduced as a guest.

The minutes from the previous meeting were handed out. Arnie Benson moved that the minutes be approved as distributed, Lee Bird seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report was made by Glenda VanGilder. The current total of our bank account is \$4864.68. Lee Bird moved that we approve the treasurer's report as read. Arnie Benson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Meeting Hall – We received our 1st electric bill for the Meeting Hall as well as our 1st rental for December 12th, and 2nd rental for Jan 9th. The Meeting Hall will become the new polling place for precinct 24. Kathy Allen will be our new precinct captain.

Website – Kate Perez briefly discussed our website statistics, noting that use of the website hit a high of 4,650 hits for the month of September but declined to 3,432 in October. Many of the hits were on photo slideshows of the various activities of the association, but we did receive Google search hits from people looking for eggs, citrus fruit, Jazzercise and Tai Chi (thus providing business for our advertisers.) We continue to offer free advertising on the Scottsmoor.org website until the beginning of 2010 so please take advantage of that. For those members who have their own websites or blogs, please link back to the Scottsmoor.org website.

Float Committee – Bryan Kyle reported that the Scottsmoor float is coming along well; committee has been working hard on paint, lighting and decorative candy canes. Ed & Cookie Rost donated paint for the float. Anyone wanting to help in float construction can join the work crew on Mon, Wed & Fridays at 6:30 pm.

Mail - Mail Officer in Charge of Post Office is currently Cynthia Taylor, who was present at the Spaghetti Dinner. She will be temporary because she is a supervisor.

Marieanne commented that mail marked "Scottsmoor, 32754" will no longer be delivered here; we will have to use "Mims, 32754.

Other – Thanks were offered to the spaghetti dinner crew: Bryan Kyle, Shirley Schuchman, Arnie Benson, Nicholas, Rosemarie Ruiz and Cathy Goff.

Pastor Salter & his wife, Tanya, reported that they had 12 families so far who had been chosen to receive Thanksgiving food. They requested that residents please let them know of any others in need.

Also, 1st Baptist Church will have a meal on Thanksgiving Day at 1pm. and everyone is invited.

Old Business:

Mims Parade will be on December 5th. Arnie Benson showed us the application for the parade. They are asking participating groups to donate candy and a stuffed animal and suggest, but do not require, a donation of \$10 - \$15. Meet at Meeting Hall at 9:00 or at Mims Firehouse at 10:30.

Scottsmoor Christmas Parade, please drop off stuffed animals and candy no later than Friday Dec 4th from 5-7 p.m. Lee Bird made a motion that we begin the parade at dusk. Robbie Robbins 2nd. By a show of hands, members voted to hold the parade on the evening of Saturday the 19th of December. If it rains we will move it to the 20th. Meet at Meeting Hall at 4pm. We will start at 5pm. Tanya Salter asked, "Will other people be asked to join with 4-wheelers, golf carts, etc?" Group answered, "Yes."

Lee bird made a motion to hold our Christmas House Decorating Contest again this year. Cookie Rost seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Classes – Kate Perez reported that they may be discontinued if attendance does not improve. The Jazzercise teacher plans to end her classes at end of November if her attendance does not improve. Last dance class will be tomorrow evening. Tai Chi class will continue through December. If members have ideas for other activities, please come forward and share them. Please note that these classes raise money to help pay the costs of the Meeting Hall.

Parks & Rec Meeting – Arnie Benson reported that the North Brevard Parks & Rec. commission met and announced that the Salib property did not appraise at asking price, so Parks & Rec. will go with 2nd choice - the Whitten Property - for the Mims/Scottsmoor Community Center. There is a wetlands issue about 2nd property, but commission plans to review that and go forward with purchase if possible.

I-95 exit update - Arnie Benson read an e-mail from member Scott Kruger stating that he had looked into the situation and found out that Transfield Services are in charge of maintaining the exit. They said that they will take care of the grass growing along the curbs but not the worn down shoulders of the 5A exit because that is caused by illegal activity ie: trucks parking along the exits, ATVs riding along the side of the road, etc. They remarked that it costs the taxpayers \$6,000 - \$7,000 every time the exits are fixed. He was told that "beautification" of the exit is an issue that is usually handled by the community or town. There may be government stimulus money for that.

Scott urged members to send letters stating their concerns about the 5A Exit to the Sherriff and Rep. Steve Crisafulli expressing our concerns over the lack of law enforcement and the cost of repairs. He provided the following contact information:

Transfield Services	FL Dept. of Transportation
Jesse Swords	Jim Connelly
751 North Drive, Suite 8	Field Operations Manager
Melbourne, FL 32934	555 Camp Rd.
T: 321-752-9680	Cocoa, FL
C: 321-508-9315	321-690-3250

Ed Rost mentioned that the sign before the exit says it is 5 miles to Scottsmoor but is inaccurate.

New Business:

Bill from Parks & Rec. for Meeting Hall - Arnie presented a bill for electricity from 9/30 – 10/29 for \$134.55, and made a motion that our treasurer pay it. Lee Bird seconded it, and the motion carried.

Marieanne mentioned that she was distressed to hear that Scottsmoor citizens had complained about the fundraising efforts for money to be used to pay for the Meeting Hall bills. She reminded us that the building can be used as a shelter after a hurricane, as a place for the red cross to distribute water, as a polling place and a place for the community to meet among other things.

Sock Hop – Members discussed a dance on January 9th or 16th at Meeting Hall. Entrance fee would be \$3 for singles and \$5 per couple.

Community Yard Sale at the Meeting Hall – We would like to do this in February, but we need more volunteers to make this work

Finance Committee- this was set up with Glenda Van Gilder as chairperson and Lee Bird, Arnie Benson, Tom Perez and Bryan Kyle as members.

Arnie Benson suggested that new Finance Committee bring a budget to the January meeting.

No December meeting - Lee Bird made a motion that we skip the December meeting, Arnie Benson seconded and the motion carried.

Christmas Party / Dinner. Arnie Benson suggested that he and Bryan make a main dish for this, and members can bring covered dish. We will also have a gift exchange for those who wish to participate. Lee Bird made a motion that we hold this on Monday the 21st at 6pm. Arnie Benson seconded and the motion carried. This will be for Members and guests only. Please RSVP to Arnie by Friday the 18th by phone or e-mail. Kate Perez will e-mail the invitation. Glenda Ceballos agreed to be the photographer in case Kate cannot make it.

Spaghetti Dinner – Arnie reported that we cleared around \$250 at tonight's dinner, but attendance was down. Arnie moved that we have spaghetti dinner before January meeting. Lee Bird 2nded. The motion carried.

Doug Chamberlain mentioned that we need more signs advertising the dinners.

Marieanne suggested that we invest in a sign or signs to advertise our events.

Other Considerations:

Ann Foster suggested that we should get Gibbs Family or other country music group to play at the Meeting Hall.

Kate Perez suggested that we try a Karaoke night.

Tanya Salter remarked that the 1st Baptist Church is still handing out bread and other foodstuffs.

50/50 - \$17 was won by Doug Chamberlain, and \$17 was raised for the association.

Adjournment – motion to adjourn was made by Lee Bird.