

Scottsmoor Community Association Minutes April 27th, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by vice president, Arnie Benson.

Officers present were Arnie Benson, vice president, Kate Perez, secretary and Glenda VanGilder, treasurer. Twenty-six persons were present in all.

The minutes from the previous meeting were handout out. A motion to approve the printed minutes was made by Perry Salter and seconded by Cookie Rost. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report was read by Glenda VanGilder. The Current balance in our account is \$6, 277.35. We gave Doug Chamberlain \$12 for greeting cards and reimbursed Kate Perez the \$69 she paid for one year of domain registration and hosting for our new, website, www.Scottsmoor.org. \$51 was deposited on 3-25-09. Doug Chamberlain made a motion to approve treasurer's report and it was seconded by Grady Wright. The motion carried.

VISITORS – Frazier Brinley was visiting.

Community Affair Reports:

Parks & Recreation Update Meeting Hall Update – Lee Bird was in Virginia and not expected back until the 6th of May, so Arnie Benson reported on the new Meeting Hall. It has been approved by all but the county commission and that meeting is slated for 5th of May. We the building to be on the assent agenda on that date and encourage all of our members to go to the meeting in Viera at 9 am. Also, according to our agreement with them, the county must be responsible for potable water in the Meeting Hall, and the water did not pass the test for water quality in public buildings. This is being worked on it now. We may get in by June 1.

Scottsmoor/Mims Community Center

Mims community meeting last Tuesday was attended by Arnie Benson. The next Mims Community monthly meeting will be held on the 2nd Thursday of the month in the Brevard Room of the Titusville Govt. Center

Public Relations Committee Doug Chamberlain reported that tickets for the 4th of July Raffle had been passed out but there are more if any members need some to sell.

Old Business :

4th of July Picnic

Ed Rost reported that the dunking tank is now at American Legion in Titusville. Arnie Benson offered to get further details. Arnie Benson asked volunteers to please go out and get prizes for the raffle so that we can have a list of prizes to advertise. We talked about getting gas blower and grill and also a laptop or netbook computer.

Scottsmoor.org Website

Kate Perez reported that she spent \$59 on website domain registration & hosting. The website is now live at <http://www.Scottsmoor.org>. We would like to get some advertising from local businesses as well as any news, community informational links and other input. Kate asked members to consider a membership directory with names, addresses, e-mail addresses and phone numbers of those member who opt to participate.

Tanya Salter asked if it would be possible for the website to exchange links with the website of the First Baptist Church of Scottsmoor and members agreed to this.

Proposed Change to By-Laws

Doug Chamberlain temporarily took Arnie Benson's seat as acting president so that Arnie could move (not as sitting president) for a change of by-laws.

The proposed change was as follows:

- ❖ Old: The terms of office for all officers of this association shall be for two years. All officers shall be elected by nomination in general assembly, by the members of this association every year. All officers shall hold office for not more than two consecutive terms. President and Secretary being elected on odd years and Vice President and Treasurer on even years.
- ❖ New (proposed): Terms of office for all officers of this association shall be for two years. All officers shall be elected by nomination in general assembly, by the members of this association at the **Annual Meeting** every year. President and Vice President shall hold office for not more than two (2) consecutive terms. **There is no term limit for Secretary and Treasurer.** President and Secretary are to be elected on odd years, and Vice President and Treasurer on even years.

Arnie further moved to table this issue until our next meeting so that members could think it over, Perry Salter seconded and the motion was carried.

Changes in Postal Service to Scottsmoor

Arnie Benson brought up the notice received by many residents from the post office, the main point of which is that, within the next two weeks, we will have to pay for postal boxes, arrange for home delivery from the Mims post office, or have box AND delivery from Mims. The cost for the smallest size postal box will be \$42 per year. He also voiced the concern that, if too many people get rid of their post office box, the Scottsmoor post office may close.

Ed Rost added that he had already begun the process of applying for the postal box and he had been asked to fill out a new application with a great deal of information, some personal, such as documents to verify ownership of a local home. He also was told that, after May 15th, all mail sent to a box that had not been paid for will be sent back. Ed expressed concern that the 2 weeks of notice was not a sufficient amount of time to ensure the forwarding of mail.

Penny Weeks said that she had moved here about 30 years ago and that Scottsmoor had had a Post Office since 1925. She mentioned a concern, owing to the confusing status of our physical addresses (Scottsmoor) versus our postal addresses (Mims,) about whether residents were able to vote legally. She also mentioned trouble having things delivered. She added that we should fight to keep our zip code and our community and recommended 2 ways to fight, individual letters to post office in Orlando, or letters to politicians such as congresswoman Suzanne Kosmas. Penny felt that the decision to truck mail from Mims to Scottsmoor, when the mail comes to us from Orlando, was not financially sound.

Arnie added, We've been spoiled by Steve Banks (our former postmaster) because he knew all of us and knew where our mail should go, even when it was misaddressed. The new post office worker has to send back mail that is misaddressed or addressed to a street with no mail delivery set up. Arnie then asked if there were any other questions.

Steve Xnitas stood and said that, in 1990, Brevard County asked to buy two acres from him for the Scottsmoor boat landing. He sold them one and gave them one on the condition that they put in a dock and paved the road all the way to Old Dixie. Then the county asked to use his canals on either side of the Railroad tracks but county use of his canals mucked up his ponds. He asked the county to clean out the canals they mucked up and they replied that they do not work on private property. He uses his property to offer recreation opportunities to children's groups like the Boy Scouts. He wants to continue to use his property for good of community.

He asked, do we want to pave the road from the Scottsmoor Landing to Old Dixie? Do we want a dock at end of park? If he has to take property back, the county would have to pay a great deal of money.

Arnie Benson asked if there were any objections if the association pays for their postal box for the next year? Doug Chamberlain made a motion that association pays for its mailbox and it was seconded by Tom Perez. The motion carried. Our box # is 657.

New Business

Perry Salter, pastor of First Baptist Church of Scottsmoor mentioned that all mothers are invited to the church at 8:45 on Sunday May 10, Mother's Day, for breakfast. The men

from the congregation are going to cook. Please RSVP by 4th of May to make sure there is enough food. E-mail pastor@fbcscottsmoor.org or call: 321-514-7906.

Penny Weeks reported that the Miami Corp. will be building on the Farmington section of Scottsmoor , near State Road 5A to develop a new community.

Arnie Benson reported that the next meeting is supposed to be May 25th, Memorial Day, and many people will be out of town. He asked if we should change our meeting to the Monday before (18th) Ed Rost made the motion to do so and it was seconded by Perry Salter. The motion carried.

50/50 - The total was \$38 dollars, \$19 of which was won by Grady Wright. \$19 was given to the Association.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Secretary, Kate Perez.

Our next meeting will be held on Monday, May 18th.