

## Minutes of the Quarterly meeting of the Harbor Oaks Homeowners Association

February 15, 2017

After the Pledge of Allegiance the president, Chet Trotto, welcomed everyone to the meeting and a quorum was established. Chet explained that the meeting would be brief so that the visiting candidates for the Safety Harbor Commissioner seats #1 and #4 would have the opportunity to address the meeting.

**The Treasurer** reported an opening balance from the last meeting of \$14,712.74. After deposits and expenses the new balance as at 02/15/2017 was \$16,314.47. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was proposed and carried.

**HOHA Membership:** Chet stated that to date he had received 71 maintenance fees representing 55% of the community and he had email addresses for all except five homes.

### **New Business**

Harbor Oaks Community Garage Sale is scheduled for Saturday March 25<sup>th</sup>, with a rain date of Sunday March 26<sup>th</sup>.

It was decided that we must have at least 12 homes participating or the sale will not be advertised in the Tampa Bay Times or any other publication where a fee is charged. The cost of advertising in the Tampa Bay Times is about \$50.

The meeting was adjourned and the audience turned over to the candidates.

Respectfully submitted –

Barry Tosdevine.

### **Discussion with Mayor Andy Steingold.**

After being introduced the first concern was from the floor concerning drug activity associated with the Middle School. A resident stated that school kids are using drugs after school at the back of the school, behind the Cumberland Farms gas station and in Philippe Park. The consensus was that initially the community patrol officers should be informed and they should investigate further.

Q: Are there any plans to provide city-wide wi-fi?

A: A limited number of hot spots in and around the city will be established. At this point in time it is not expected that the whole city will have coverage.

Mayor Steingold:

Philippe Park is a County Park. The county wants to give the park to the city but the cost of the upkeep is prohibitive. The new Waterfront Park will belong to the city and contrary to earlier statements the city will start to develop the park in the coming year and then continue to develop it year over year.

The city is working on a property exchange with Harborside Christian Church so that the church can build (at their expense) a connecting road to Marshall Street. The exchange favors the city.

Q: Trash pickup has recently been reduced to one day a week – do you not see this being an issue during the summer months when food is left to bake in the trash containers?

A: It is unlikely that trash collection will revert to the twice-weekly pick up. There may be a reduction in the monthly fees. Note that there has been a 23% reduction in street lighting fees.

Q: Yard waste will only be collected if it is in 30-gallon containers – why not allow biodegradable bags?

A: Duly noted – will follow up.