Holiday Park Neighborhood Association (HPNA) Meeting Minutes July 20, 2023

Meeting called to order @ 7:00 PM by Amy Possidente, President.

Attendance

Amy Possidente, Pres.	Al Michetti	Bill & Becky Jolley	Guests:
Donna Brickman, Treas.	Andy Spenick		CSO Ozzie Sicairos
Mary & Bob Sinibaldi	Steve & Debbie		Capt. Michael R. Lewis & C Team
	McCann		
Warren Knapp	Crystal Pollitt		Amber Boulding
	Hawthorne and Emily		
Kathy Hendrixson	Drew		
Loann Walters	Buck and Sunny		
	Roberts		

Guest Speakers:

- **Councilmember Copley Gerdes**: Amy announced that he was invited to report, but due to City Council meeting currently in session, he couldn't attend.
- **CSO Ozzie Sicairos:** In looking at the stats from June-July, we live in a safe neighborhood with below average number of reports.
 - o Reminder that if you have a Hyundai or Kia, you need a steering wheel lock. SPD is giving them away.
 - Don't leave valuables in locked cars, as thieves will break windows.
 - SPD is adding two traffic-specific Community Safety Officer positions to our district. They will strictly be out in the district patrolling for traffic issues.
- Capt. Michael R. Lewis: Introductions were made of the "C" team of Engine #2.
 - Flashing yellow light is broken; it is FDOT equipment and is being worked on. Residents voiced multiple concerns about it. 66th Street drivers misinterpret it and speed up through the 30th Ave intersection.
 Drew (resident) provided his daughter's personal experience with accident last week. Residents are encouraged to reach out to Councilman Gerdes to request expediting the repair.
 - New Fire Station at 66th and 26th will have the driveway exit onto 26th Avenue. There will be no extra light there but they will control the intersection light. Hope to be completed in 2 years as architect was just selected.
 - Engine #2 averages 8 calls a day with an average 4m20sec response time. The residents present all voiced their appreciation for their services.
- Amber Boulding Emergency Manager, City of St Pete: Provided some personal experiences with Hurricane Ian in her assisting the emergency management teams in Charlotte and Lee Counties last year.
 - o Her team completes the disaster planning and drills for the city's residents
 - o Residents need to be empowered to prepare
 - o Watch defined Within 48 hours conditions are favorable for: hurricane, tornado, storm surge
 - Warning defined Within 36 hours conditions are expected for the event
 - o The Cone is deceitful the impact of a storm can happen well outside the cone and is sometimes worse
 - North of the Cone is usually the "clean" side and the south is "dirty"
 - Her lesson with lan is the wind damage is at least repairable but storm surge is a total rebuild it was eye opening

- Each family must make the hurricane plan that best suits your individual needs regardless of your evacuation zone. If you have an older roof and the winds are expected to be high, you should evacuate.
 If you need continuous power for medical equipment, you should evacuate.
- Evacuation from possible storm surge should be the closest area with higher ground, not hundreds of miles away.
- Sometimes it's best to evacuate 10 miles, not 100 miles (Irma: so many stuck in traffic).

Capt. Lewis insights:

- Once winds hit 40 mph, emergency teams will not respond due to high risk for their safety and equipment
- o If need 24-hour power, evacuate to family, friends, hotel; special needs shelters should not be Plan A
- Turn off main breaker if evacuating
- Do not touch downed power lines or tree limbs.
- Most post-storm fires are a result of people not turning off the power

Announcements from Amy:

- HPNA has filed a claim with the insurance company of the driver who hit our median at 70 mph. Repairs include sign stucco, painting, sprinklers and landscaping.
- Speed bumps on 64th Street and 65th Way are in the process of being installed. Should be done within the next week
- September 21st: Final HPNA General Meeting for 2023. Speakers will include the Code Dept and a CONA Leadership Class representative.
- September 23rd: West St. Pete CommUNITY Picnic at Azalea Park. HPNA, among other neighborhoods, is sponsoring this fun, family event with Food Trucks and entertainment. See our HPNA website for more information.
- September 30-October 1: Food Drive. This drive include personal hygiene items and supports the St. Pete. Free Clinic.
- Seasonal Golf Cart Parades: We need volunteers to help organize both the Halloween and Holiday parades. These events cannot be run by one person and take a team. Please email Amy if interested.
- Check in at our website www.hpna33710.org and our Facebook @HPNA33710 for updated events and news.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Treasurer's Report:

Holiday Park Neighborhood Association July 20, 2023 Report

revenues.		202	s year to Date
Memberships		\$	1,480.00
Unrestricted Donations			135.00
Tota	l Revenues	\$	1,615.00
Expenses:			
CONA Membership			45.00
HPNA Events			323.68
Median Maintenance			225.00
Signs			171.20
Welcome Baskets			83.38
Tota	l Expenses	\$	848.26
Net Revenues		\$	766.74
Cash Balance, January 1, 2023		\$	2,256.80
	Deposits		1,615.00
	Expenses		(848.26)
Cash Balance, July 20, 2023		\$	3,023.54