

GOLF HAMMOCK HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION
Meeting Minutes
March 5, 2014

Members present: Sandy Todd, Barb Akus, Judy Trier, Hardric McMillon, John McAngus, Shirley Kuznarik, Millie Grime, Tom Senior, Connie Wilhite.

Absent: None.

Meeting called to order at 7 pm by President, Sandy Todd.

Minutes, Millie Grime, 471-9979, cnmgrime@embarqmail.com

- The minutes were approved.

Entrance and Landscaping, Sandy Todd, 385-4774, clb1919@embarqmail.com

- Nothing new to report.

Treasurers Report, Tom Senior, 314-0644, tomseniorjr@aol.com

- The total income for February was \$10,421 which included annual assessments of \$10,050, late fees of \$360, bankruptcy distribution of \$1 and interest of \$10. Total expenditures were \$4,480 which covered common grounds maintenance of \$847, electricity of \$766, assessment reminder mailing costs of \$123, clubhouse rent and our share of utilities of \$471, legal of \$45, Federal Income taxes of \$20, newsletter distribution costs of \$450, our accountant's charges for preparation of the financial statement for 2013, as well as our federal income tax filing of \$1,380, website maintenance costs of \$375 and administrative costs of \$3.
- The total cash (including savings) at the beginning of February was \$230,177 and increased to \$236,118 at the end of February since income exceeded expenses by \$5,941.
- As mentioned above, our accountant completed both the annual financial statement and federal income tax filing for 2013. Our tax liability for 2013 was \$20. Copies of the annual statement and our tax return will be posted here at the Clubhouse and made available upon written request.
- Lastly, we sent out 772 annual assessment notices for 2014, and have thus far received 736 back. That leaves 36 remaining unpaid as of the end of February. Last year at this time there were 43 owners in arrears. We have mailed out our assessment reminder letters and have seen some positive response to the effort. We will continue to pursue payment for another two months in the hopes that we can get the number of owners that we ask

our lawyer to pursue by way of a collection demand letter down to a very small number. We will keep you posted.

Common Grounds, John McAngus, 440-935-4708, JohnMcAngus@yahoo.com

- This past month I have called Griffin Fence many times and left messages. To date, I have not heard back from the company. I also placed numerous calls to electrical contractors about updating the lighting at the main entrance. Several appointments were made to look at the site and all were cancelled. Hardric McMillon left me a message about the fence being down at 3608 Duffer Road. This has been looked at and is in the process of being resolved. Judy Trier told me about three trees on Mulligan Court East that required trimming. I called Cutting Edge today to have this done. I also contacted Heartland Electric, Inc. and Mark Palmer Electric for estimates for new lighting at the main entrance. I am meeting with representatives from these two companies, this Friday, March 7, 2014.
- I am submitting a cost estimate bid for any perimeter fence work to be done in Golf Hammock from M&E Precision Construction in Wauchula, Florida. I have also obtained a letter from Kim Reid, who owns the property west of the main entrance, giving us permission to trim any trees for better visibility of the Golf Hammock Entrance, at our cost.

Architecture, Shirley Kuznarik, 382-3656, kuzfla@yahoo.com

- Extend the existing garage 16 feet, relocate existing window, add door. Remove foliage and relocate as needed. The roof line to follow existing pitch/architecture.

Lakes, Barb Akus, 314-0255, akusba@centurylink.net

- I have been in touch with Aquatic Weed Control a couple of times over the last month since we have had a “blooming” of some sort of aquatic weed on several lakes. Les (the general manager) assured me that they are treating these problems and some of the chemicals they use will take up to 3 months to show results. They are on top of it and I feel confident in their treatment.

Clubhouse, Barb Akus, 314-0255, akusba@centurylink.net

- This year’s dues have been collected by Pauline Price and we owe her a BIG “Thank You” for doing such a great job.
- I have several people show an interest in having a game night and in having a scrapbooking session.

- I have set aside the evening of March 20th for a gaming night. We will have several games available—cards (enough for hand and foot players), Sequence, Cribbage and more. If you have a card group, please join us. If you don't we will put people together for whatever they'd like to play. Please bring your spouse, friends, neighbors and make this evening a success. We will provide lemonade, iced tea, and cookies for participants, or bring your own beverage of choice. THIS IS LIMITED TO RESIDENTS OF GOLF HAMMOCK. Call me with any questions—314-0255.
- **SCRAPBOOKING** —We will try on MONDAY, MARCH 24th at 7:00 P.M. I will try and get a couple of our residents that are REALLY good at it to help us out. Bring your pictures, any scrapbooking materials you have and we will muddle through.
- IF THESE EVENINGS ARE SUCCESSFUL, WE WILL TRY TO KEEP IT GOING, PLUS ADD OTHER ACTIVITIES.

Violations and Complaints, Judy Trier, 260-242-0612, jrtrier@gmail.com

Eleven violation letters were written during the month of February:

1. 1 non approved fence
 2. 1 fence repair request
 3. 3 non approved signs in yards
 4. 2 garbage cans in view
 5. 1 garbage can and golf cart parked in driveway
 6. 1 parking on lawn
 7. 2 landscaping
- When calling or writing me about a complaint, please give me the street name and house number. The more information you can give me the quicker I can get to the offenders. Thank you all for your cooperation. Please send all future complaints or suggestions to Judy Trier at jrtrier@gmail.com or call 260-242-0612.

Secretary, Millie Grime, 471-9979, cnmgrime@embarqmail.com

- Procured a \$50 gift certificate for Pauline Price as a thank you for her hard work collecting and verifying proxies.
- Received six signs from Artistic Frames and Images. Two that say, Annual Meeting Sat. at 2:00, two that say Please turn in your proxies and two that say, Assessments are due now.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO SELL, SEND A PICTURE OF THE ITEM TO RUTHIE, OUR WEBMASTER, ALONG WITH THE PRICE YOU WANT FOR IT. ALSO, PROVIDE A PHONE NUMBER YOU CAN BE REACHED AT SO THAT PEOPLE CAN CONTACT YOU.

CHECK OUT OUR GHOABAY ON OUR WEBSITE. LOTS OF NEW ITEMS.

Data Base/Directory, Connie Wilhite, 863-658-1854, wilhite1530@comcast.net

- A new committee, ***Street Captains***, has been created by the Board. These volunteer Street Captains represent their street or area. They will meet their new neighbors and ask for information that will be given to our Welcome Committee and the Community Directory/ Newsletter Database coordinator. There will be a meeting with the volunteer street captains on Saturday, March 8 at 10:00 A.M. at the clubhouse.
- Thank you for all corrections or additions to the Database.

Roads, Hardric McMillon, 382-9579, hrmcmillon@embarqmail.com

- I had reflectors on Dogleg removed as many were in disrepair and they were not effective.

Remember:

1. Duke Energy will install a street light in front of your for a monthly fee.
2. Report street light outages to Duke Energy by calling 1-800-228-8485.

Visitations, Ellyn Scholl-Losse 385-6294 mizles226@yahoo.com and Trish Broksch, 471-3737, tbroksch@embarqmail.com

- No new residents were visited this month.

Neighborhood Watch Russ Danser 382-9957 phoenenu@aol.com

Russ Danser has sent in his resignation as Neighborhood Watch Captain. The Board wishes to thank him for his years of service to the Golf Hammock community.

Old Business:

- None.

New Business:

- Tom Senior reported that taxes were paid on interest income.
- Hardric McMillon reported on the outcome of the “Speeding Committee” meeting. When Board members were asked to list their top priorities for the coming year, the issue of speeding in the community was number one on the list.
- President Todd appointed a committee of Hardric McMillon, Tom Senior, Judy Trier, Shirley Kuznarik and John McAngus.
- Although there was no formal study as to the number of speeders, committee members agreed that there have been many complaints about speeding from the community. The committee also agreed that community involvement is the most important aspect as recommendations are considered.
- The committee decided that there should be a survey put out to the residents of GH to determine how people feel about various solutions to the speeding problem.
- Hardric and Tom met with Captain Barfield of the Sheriff’s Department. He discussed the cost of hiring off-duty policemen. They must be hired in three hour blocks at \$40.00 per hour. They may or may not have radar or laser guns at any given time.
- Excavation Point Contractors were contacted to see how much speed tables would cost. 1-5 speed tables would cost \$2295 each. More than five speed tables would cost \$1925 each.
- Tom Senior contacted EMS to get their feelings about speed tables. EMS feels they are a nuisance, but said that if GH feels speed tables are necessary for safety reasons EMS will have to put up with them.
- Hardric got in touch with West Sebring Fire Department to get its feelings about speed tables. The Chief said that the trucks would have to slow down to 5-7 mph but wouldn’t take a position on how he felt about them. Hardric also asked about a report from a GH resident during last year’s fire along the perimeter who said that the tanker truck lost half of its water going over the speed tables. The chief remarked that any loss of water was due to loose gaskets. Tanker trucks do not have open tanks of water.
- The upside to speed tables is that they are more effective than sheriff’s patrols. The downside is that there is too much signage and speed tables cause divisiveness in the community.

- Tom and Hardric also took a field trip to Sun ‘n Lake where there are many speed tables. They discovered that there seemed to be neither rhyme nor reason to placement and that the tables there are further apart.

Neighbors attending:

Cindy Bowser, Wendy Hardy, Joyce Rowe, Jim and Rose Cookman, Pat Burns.

Neighbors’ Comments:

- One neighbor asked if GH residents would be held liable if an ambulance is slowed down by speed tables and was unable to respond to an emergency quickly.
- Another resident asked what happens if someone is hit by a speeder. Who is liable?
- Someone spoke about living on Par Road and how speeders race down the straight-a-way and the fact that there are children playing near the road and riding their bikes. The person also pointed out that there are speed tables in hospital parking lots and ambulances have to go over them.
- Another resident asked if people couldn’t take down license numbers or in some way identify speeders and then send them a warning.
- The problems with Halloween in Golf Hammock were discussed at length. Someone spoke about problems with flat-bed trailers and how a child could fall out and be run over. The person wanted to know if any policemen were being hired this coming year. (The Board plans on hiring several police officers who will be posted at both entrances and perhaps inside of GH.) She was also concerned with people lining up on Hammock Road in preparation for entering on flat beds and golf carts.

Barb Akus moved that the meeting be adjourned. Judy Trier seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Millie Grime, Secretary

Workshop: Tuesday, April 1 at 4 pm — Clubhouse

General Meeting: Wednesday, April 2 at 7 pm — Clubhouse