

Gulf Meadows General Meeting Minutes 1-27-2015

The meeting was opened by Robert Simmons, Jr., President at 7:40 p.m., with a call to order and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

1st time attending: Robert asked anyone attending for the 1st time to stand and give their name.

Mary Catherine Elizondo, 8211 Garden Park - lived here for over 40 years and this is her 1st time attending, she was very appreciative of her neighbor and of the Civic Club's help during her recent dog attack.

Andrea Martin, 8203 Gulf Tree - problem neighbor.

Speaker: Reda Dixon, Nursing Counselor & Marketing

Ms. Dixon called Robert she had the flu [sounded terrible] and would be unable to attend. All agreed they did not want her to share her flu and to take care of herself.

Secretary: Ruth Scotton

Minutes of the November 2014 were read. Robert asked if there were any corrections or additions, none were given. Michael G. motioned they be approved and Dovie G. 2nd.

Treasurer: Daryl Schultz

Absent

Committee Reports:

Citizens' Patrol, Mark Schultz, 2nd VP

Mary Catherine Elizondo, 8211 Garden Park - attacked by big dog (pit-bull) while walking her small dog near her home. Her dog was badly injured and the vet bills ran over \$5,000. Mary Catherine was also bitten, but thanks to a neighbor who came to her rescue not badly.

Andrea Martin, 8203 Gulf Tree - Neighbor to a group home at **10934 Gulf Valley** that are abusing the 12-17 year old girls, both physically, and verbally; bricks have been thrown, the girls locked outside, fights, outside in underclothes, a few paramedic visits have been seen, etcetera;. Pat Lee has worked with this type of housing in the past and stated it is a fraudulent enterprise, she give Andrea a number to call as this is not acceptable behavior. Betty Earl of our deed restrictions committee tried repeatedly to stop this home being brought into our area as they had been run out of the South Park area. The general consensus was that they are able to move into an area due to loop holes in the governing of our city.

Maria Garcia, 8311 Gulfwood - has an abusive neighbor at 8312 Gulfwood that has dogs that run free. It started over dog poop in her yard that she mows. When she tried to talk to the neighbor regarding this they became abusive and it has escalated to her being threatened with a gun.

Michael & Dovie Gonzales, 7903 Peekskill - new neighbors moved in across the street outside our Civic Club area. They welcomed them to the neighborhood. The neighbors then had a house warming party that was very loud and lasted till after 3:00 am. The wife of the elderly couple next door tried to talk to them during the night and was abusively treated by party members. Michael and Dovie went over for a second visit with the young couple, with their two dogs on leashes to introduce the dogs [perhaps to mate the dogs later]. The pregnant wife opened the yard gate and let their dogs out to run, resulting in a dog fight. Michael and Dovie struggled to pull their dogs away, resulting in Dovie falling to the ground. She was bitten a few times, before they were able to leave. The new couple stood and watched and were not a help, they have shown no concern during or since. Officer Lewis advised them to report the incident to protect themselves and other neighbors. **Follow up:** the dogs have been seen out of the yard with no supervision.

Deed Restrictions, Betty Earl

Absent

Flood Control

Nothing reported

Historian, Dorothy Vance

Nothing reported

Membership, Michael Gonzales

Welcomed new members and everyone in general. He reminded everyone dues were to be paid as of January 2nd of \$35 and would increase to \$40 at the end of March. Donations over the amount of the dues will be greatly appreciated.

Publicity and Programs, Lorenzo Williams, 1st VP

Has a speaker in mind but no positive commitment.

Walter Jones Park, Steve Bonham

Lights in the park have been a problem. He reminded everyone of the Park Ranger and Parks and Recreation Department phone numbers included with his newsletter article. Robert asked if there was standing water from a recent heavy rain. Steve said yes but it is evaporating or sinking.

Welcome, Deahann Grant

New residents are being emailed to her. She reported a mix-up with the newsletters for her to distribute as being insufficient. She usually receives 3 bags to deliver and had missed the one at her front door delivered separately by Ruth.

Old business:

Christmas decoration winners:

1. 8214 Coastway - Bruce & Lelia Daniels
2. 8455 Misty Vale -
3. 7726 Wayfarer - William and Susan Boyd

Honorable mention:

1. 8213 Springtime - Mike and Irma Cruz

New business:

1. David Waddleton - gave a reminder from the PIP meeting earlier this month that a sweep for problem dogs could be requested for our area.

Officer Trenesia Harris spoke to all the issues that came up and will be following up. Her obvious concern and help are greatly appreciated.

Other problems presented:

1. **Sandra Baldon** reported **fresh** black marks on Ballantine are happening repeatedly. Robert agreed that he had smelled burnt rubber at the Fuqua Bridge near Ballantine and smoke in the Ballantine area, he had also noticed a vehicle driving on the Methodist Church grounds.
2. **Lorenzo Williams** reported lumber stacked against a residence for some time. **David Waddleton** verified it was at **10806 Ballantine**.
3. A small blue car is parked on the yard at **8311 Gulfwood**.
4. **Ruth Scotton** reported a $\frac{3}{4}$ ton white truck has been parked either on the street or in the driveway at **10227 Gulf Meadows** for several months with out of date stickers and paper license plate.

Door prize drawing:

1. **Charles Halliman** - Tire gauge
2. **Andrea Martin** - Cedar bird house

Adjourned: 8:52 pm

Submitted by:

Ruth Scotton, Secretary