

Gulf Meadows General Meeting Minutes 2-24-2015

The meeting was opened by Robert Simmons, Jr., President at 7:38 p.m., with a call to order and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Robert Simmons, Pres. asked for a motion to suspend our meeting until after the speakers: So motioned by Michael Gonzales and Daryl Schultz

Speaker: HPD Officer Trenesia Harris

March on Crime has been an ongoing event for several years with a Bowling event at Armadillo Bowling. Many groups in the area take part and a good time is always had whether you bowl or are a part of the support group. A flier will be made available for the next newsletter.

Sgt. Bonds

He is located at the Court House, 225 S. Richie, Pasadena, TX 713-477-2766. They are shorthanded but are out patrolling, delivering court papers and doing criminal investigations.

Karina Garcia - Texas Department of Family and Protective Services

Rachel Portnoy was unable to attend and Karina her very able replacement came with a friend for support. Karina is an Adult protective Services Specialist. They distributed pamphlets with a reviewed of the information: **Chapter 48** of the Texas Human Resources Code that authorizes investigations. **24 hour Abuse hotline** 1-800-252-5400 or their secure website www.txbusehotline.org. We were assured these reports are anonymous.

Investigations include: social interaction/support, finances, physical/medical, living conditions and mental. They collect photos, diagrams, and medical information. If criminal activity is suspected law enforcement is notified. A service plan is developed depending on unmet needs. If a client has decision making capacity they have the right to refuse service.

In-home investigations are at private residences, room and board homes (not licensed) and/or foster care home with 3 or fewer residents. Financial exploitation by care giver of funds for other than the clients care without their consent or ability to understand, such as: unusual bank activity, name added to bank account, unpaid bills, purchase on credit cards, and loans. **Neglect:** physical, medical or mental health by the client or a caregiver. Indicators of neglect: hoarding, home in disrepair, malnourished, dehydrated, over mediated, no water, heat or electricity, poor hygiene and lack of health treatment. **In-home abuse:** sexual, physical and emotional/verbal; indicators are cuts, punctures, burns, bruises, welts, sexual transmitted disease, fear of perpetrator, low self-esteem, depression and caretaker cursing, yelling and screaming.

Scams: IRS does not call, Ruth had a call about a payment that was past due and they wanted to be on the phone with her to the bank to verify their right to debit the account. Instead she got their name, company and phone number and said she would call them back. The bank informed her it was a scam to get an account number or social security number. It was agreed there are many scams and to be very careful.

Secretary: Ruth Scotton

Minutes of the January 2015 were accepted as reported on the website or by delivery, so motioned by Daryl S. and 2nd by Michael G.

Treasurer: Daryl Schultz

Gave a review of the accounts and membership dues received.

Last year's membership was over 100+ we are now only 70+.

Committee Reports:

Citizens' Patrol, Mark Schultz, 2nd VP - Quiet

Sandra Baldon stated, we still have an ongoing problem with black skid marks on Ballantine. It is hard to document with pictures without being seen. Anyone seeing this at least get a vehicle description and if possible a license plate number.

Deed Restrictions, Betty Earl

1. Residence operating a weekend garage, involving several vehicles and doing a lot of repair work, that impedes traffic and probably should be operating with city license.
2. Residence with 3 young men/boys racing vehicles.
3. Woman appeared to be soliciting near C.J.s at the strip center.

Flood Control

Nothing reported

Historian, Dorothy Vance

Nothing reported

Membership, Michael Gonzales

Welcome to everyone and reminder the Membership drive is coming up.

Publicity and Programs, Lorenzo Williams, 1st VP

Child protection.

Walter Jones Park, Steve Bonham

Soccer field on Hall Road is an ongoing problem as the sound system can be heard clear over to Peekskill in Section one (at least $\frac{3}{4}$ mile away) Officer Harris said there is a sound decibel limit that is obviously not being adhered to, a meter check is needed. Other problems are a residence on Lettie has soccer balls in his yard on a regular basis and the soccer organization have unlicensed food sales.

Welcome, Deahann Grant

New residents are being emailed to her. She needs Welcome booklets to deliver.

Old business:

Sweep of the area for dogs running loose.

Officer Harris said to contact the storefront for Mr. Parelis number as he could assist with the sweep.

New business:

None

Door prize drawing:

1. **Dorothy Vance** - Target Card
2. **Rosalyn Waddleton** - Tire gauge

Attendance: 27

Adjourned: 8:50 pm

Submitted by:

Ruth Scotton, Secretary