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Monthly Membership Meeting Minutes
January 17, 2023
7:00 PM – Virtual Zoom

Board Members

Present:

Jennifer Fain (Acting President)
Donna McCormack (President)
Garry Kravit
Michael Roth
Jesse Varnell
Mark Cameron
Seth Follansbee
Adam Fractenberg

Heather Seaman (Volunteer Scribe)

Absent:

Edward (Doc) Szerlip
Richard Gendler

Total in Attendance – 23

Welcome/ Meeting Call to Order - 7:06 PM Jenn Fain

Pledge of Allegiance – Michael Roth

Approval of November 15 Meeting Minutes

- Motion to approve – Jenn Fain. Seconded by Donna McCormack.
- No objections – Unanimous approval.

Opening Comments: - Jenn Fain

- Recognized the Plantation Acres Homeowners Association (PAHA) Board for their hard work as volunteers:
 - handling many committees
 - making sure residents are informed about issues
 - attending city meetings, making telephone calls and emails to City Council when needed
 - attending Wednesday Food trucks at Volunteer Park
 - sending emails to residents via social media, posted signs

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- acting as a major liaison to the Mayor, City Council and the Police
- Members are urged to go to the PAHA website and pay the annual yearly dues of \$45.00 per year per household. Membership is voluntary.
- A resident Jim Davis has been a pillar of the PAHA community for many years and is at Westside Regional Hospital. The family wanted to let residents know they could send flowers or visit. Contact Jenn Fain if you need more information.

Guest Speaker – Samira Shalan – Plantation City Engineer

- Ms. Shalan was unable to attend due to the city Planning and Zoning meeting being rescheduled to the same time as the PAHA meeting.
- Ms. Shalan has been helpful with many issues in the Acres and she provided the following information to Jenn Fain:
 - The City has received the PAHA application for the Traffic Calming issue. The analysis encompasses all of 118th Ave. from the South Acres through the North Acres. The City has completed their study of South and Central Acres and will be starting North Acres analysis next week.
- Ms. Shalan is scheduled to be guest speaker at the February 21st PAHA meeting to provide an update on the Traffic Calming issue plans, and to provide any available information on the Reflections project, the vacation of 2nd St, and the North Acres park progress.

Updates on Meetings in Plantation

Plantation City Council Meeting (November 30, 2023) – Jenn Fain

- No Plantation Acres related items.

PAID Meeting (December 5, 2023) – Jenn Fain

- PAID Commissioners were to vote on the issue of vacating 2nd St. All commissioners were in favor of tabling it except the President Stephen Nieset.
- The issue will be readdressed at the next PAID meeting. PAHA will be there to ask them to table it once again so the new commissioners can understand what it means to vote on vacating 2nd St.

Planning and Zoning (December 6, 2023, 2022) – Jenn Fain

- No Plantation Acres related items.

Plantation City Council Meeting (December 7, 2022) – Donna McCormack

- No Plantation Acres related items.

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- The workshop before the City Council meeting was about the short-term vacation rentals. These workshops are put on for residents to voice their opinions and to learn more about items that will be on future City Council agendas. A number of residents and Board members attended and many great suggestions brought up were later incorporated and the residents heard about them in the first reading of the ordinance changes. Participants who contributed were thanked for their involvement and were asked to keep comments coming.

Plantation City Council Meeting (January 11, 2023) – Colleen McDonald

- Residents access to City Council and other meetings via Zoom:
 - Residents expressed dissatisfaction with the lack of availability to access Plantation meetings via Zoom. There were conversations regarding technical difficulties. Jason Nunemaker (Plantation CAO) explained the technical difficulties and concerns. The understanding was that Zoom would be reinstated for the January 25th meeting.
- 4th Street Estates:
 - At the meeting four homes on four acres were approved facing NW 4th St. However, concerns were voiced about the remaining 7 acres which will be landlocked with no street access. The vacation of 2nd St. could provide the opportunity for the developers to overdevelop that area. For more information on this go to Save our Acres (<https://www.saveouracres.com>)
- Short Term Vacation Rentals:
 - There have been several conversations between Planning and Zoning, City Council and residents regarding the influx of vacation rentals in Plantation Acres.
 - There is a new short-term vacation rental report available on the City website which includes a legend to let you know if it is a current active rental property, if it is under inspection, or if it is closed.
 - Based on feedback from residents, the City and Planning and Zoning have changed several guidelines to try to push back on the number of party homes by making it stricter for the business owners of these rental properties
 - The total number of listed vacation rental homes on the report is twenty-one. All may not be active. A few are still not licensed and registered with the City and may not be on the report. Residents spoke at the meeting about the problem with speeding, loud noise, excess number of inhabitants and vehicles. Residents should continue to ask questions,

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take pictures, and report abuses by calling the Plantation police, Planning and Zoning, or contacting Colleen McDonald at MrsMcdonald429@gmail.com.

- Dan Holmes from Planning and Zoning spoke to changes that are going to be incorporated in the guidelines specific to the Airbnbs and there may be updates at the next City Council Meeting.

Updates on PAHA Committees

Neighborhood Watch – Michael Roth

- Crime and Traffic Report – (November 10, 2022- December 9, 2022)
 - There were two crime reports in Plantation Acres. One was for a burglary at a home under construction and one resident was arrested for carrying a concealed firearm.
- Crime and Traffic Report – (December 9, 2022 - January 13, 2023)
 - One vehicle was stolen and six vehicles were burglarized. There was one mail theft and a one theft of Christmas decorations.
 - Residents were reminded to make sure the police non-emergency number (954) 797-2100 is programmed into your cell phone and vehicles are locked.
- Traffic Report – (November 10, 2022 – January 13, 2023)
 - There were 31 speeding citations in the Central Acres, two in the North Acres, one on Broward Blvd, one on Sunrise Blvd, and nine in the American Heritage School Zone.
 - There were three stop sign citations throughout the area. Citations were issued to seven people with suspended licenses. There were a couple of citations for bad turns. A citation was issued for a motorcycle driving between lanes. Citations were issued for running red lights, improper left turns, two seat belt violations, and also for drivers without licenses or proof of insurance on them.

Vacation Rentals – Colleen McDonald

- See Plantation City Council Meeting: January 11, 2023

Community Service Squad – Heather Seaman

- Reminder that if students are looking for scholarship opportunities to apply for, there are two available \$500.00 scholarships.
- To be eligible for the scholarships, a student must join and participate in the PAHA Community Service Squad.

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- At this time to earn service hours members can:
 - Make donations of new or used animal related items to Saving Sage Animal Rescue.
 - Make donations of new or used clothing, toys, linens and housewares to Jay's Donation Center.
- All donations can be dropped off at Donna McCormack's garage at 1201 NW 114th Ave.

Social Committee –Kathleen Fanjul

- A new Plantation Acres social club was formed because of an interest in the Acres to get together on a social level, to have fun, and to get to know other residents in Plantation Acres. Participants are asked to pick a month and plan the event.
- The January meeting will take place on Thursday, January 19th at Colleen McDonalds' home. It is an auction with proceeds going to a charity. Currently it is too late to RSVP to this meeting. If residents are interested in participating in future events contact Jenn Fain or Kathleen Fanjul.

Relay for Life - Jenn Fain

- PAHA is setting up a new committee and a PAHA team to participate in Relay for Life, a walkathon that is being held at Central Park to raise money for cancer.
- A page will be set up on www.pahaf.org and Information will be sent out as soon as it is available via email to residents.
- Lizet Hampton is going to be co-captain with Jenn Fain. Contact Jenn Fain if you would like to help out.

Membership Update – Jesse Varnell

- To date this year 44 people have paid their 2023 dues. Two residents have already paid 2024 dues.
- PAHA is attempting to get as many members as possible on a schedule to pay at the beginning of the year, which will allow PAHA to budget expenses better for the year and to budget for projects that PAHA would like to initiate.
- Residents can pay yearly dues of \$45.00 by mail or by check by going to P.O.Box 450718, Sunrise FL 33345-0718, or by paying by PayPal or credit card on the PAHA website (www.pahaf.org).

Real Estate Corner – PJ Jacobs – Keyes Realty (954) 478-3000

- No updates. Ms. Jacobs was unable to attend the meeting.

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Business Spotlight – Holly's Pet Care (954) 540-1100 - Donna McCormack

- Owner was unable to attend. Donna McCormack gave the update.
- Holly's Pet Care provides dog sitting, cat visits, doggie overnights, meds and injections. She services all pets/ all sizes.
- There is a \$15.00 discount for the first service. Her Information will be posted on www.pahaf.org and on PAHA Facebook page.
- Donna McCormack personally highly recommended this service as Holly is always helping PAHA with collections for Saving Sage as well as looking after the animals.

Important Upcoming Dates – Jenn Fain

- Food Trucks every Wednesday at Volunteer Park from 5:00 PM. – 9:00 PM.
- Plantation City Council Meeting: Wednesday, January 25th at 6 PM.
- PAID Meeting: January 26th at 7:00 PM. Issue with the vacation of 2nd St will be on their agenda and PAHA will ask them to move it to a later date so new commissioners can understand the issue.
- Movies in the Park at Plantation Community Center: January 20th – Black Widow. Cash only to purchase snacks.
- Doggie Palooza – Happy Trails Dog Park Saturday January 28th from 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
- Crime Watch Meeting: February 1 - Information to follow.
- Rock the Park at Central Park: February 3 from 7:00 PM – 10:00 PM Bruce Springstein Tribute by B- Street Band. Bring chairs and blankets. Food Trucks are on site.

New Business – Open to All to Comment

- Michael Roth – Department of Defense is conducting training exercises in our area but are not making their location public. Low flying military aircraft, black vehicles and drones may be seen in the area.
- Michael Roth – Due to a recent law change all vote by mail requests have expired as of the November 2022 election. People can request their vote by mail ballots at <https://www.browardvotes.gov/Voter-information/Vote-By-Mail-Voting> or by calling the Superintendent of Elections to extend their requests.
- Michael Roth – On behalf of Danielle Roth girl scout cookies can be ordered now. Cookies should arrive around Valentine's day. Danielle also takes donations to give cookies to military, heroes, first responders etc. The cookies can be delivered to your home just about anywhere in Broward County. The address for

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Danielle's website cookie store is <https://bit.ly/954cookies> and the telephone number is (954) 247-1899.

- Mark Cameron – Expressed an interest in organizing a PAHA Social, possibly on July 4th .
- Jenn Fain – Asked residents to let her know if they want meetings in person or to continue on Zoom.

Meeting Adjourned (8:11 PM) – Jenn Fain

- Next PAHA Meeting is February 21, 2023 at 7:00 PM

Meeting minutes were prepared by Heather Seaman

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