

River Strand Safety, Security and Emergency Preparedness Committee
Wednesday, July 12, 2017
3:30PM - 5:30PM

MINUTES

ATTENDEES

Committee: Ray Phaneuf (Chair), Al Ambrosino, John Caracciola, Jim Washburn, Sandy Collins (via phone)

Board

Liaison: Bob Walsh

Others: Several residents of the Willowshire Way neighborhood including Kelly Case

Absent: Committee Members Eileen Felice and Bob Felice

The meeting was called to order at 3:30PM. This was the third meeting of the committee.

AGENDA

Meeting called to order, quorum established, minutes of June 7, 2017 meeting approved, agenda copies made available.

OLD BUSINESS

1. 1. Enhancement to gate cameras discussed. Presently, there are cameras at each gate, but no cameras face the entrance to the main club house. Shaun working on correcting this.
1. 2. Operation/set up of gates is per requirements/regulations of the Fire Marshall. Need for camera/monitoring of gates and playback of video to identify violators. It was noted and discussed that contractors are ignoring controlled access at the Sanctuary Gate.
1. 3. Regarding contract review, Al recommends that Board meet with Envera.
1. 4. Discussed issue of access to Willowshire Way backyards by entering through openings in the vegetation along Port Harbor Parkway. Bob Walsh is working with Shaun Fitzer to get bids on filling in the area with vegetation. Considerable discussion was held with input from the audience. Many favored an actual fence to ensure prevention of people entering their backyards. Bob Walsh suggested that community members attend the Board meeting next week to emphasize their concerns and desires for better security here.
1. 5. Jim Washburn discussed the report he prepared and sent the Board that provided information and findings concerning the inconsistent and/or lack of vegetation that allows access to the area behind the homes along Willowshire Way.

NEW BUSINESS

SAFETY

1. 1. The Committee voted to recommend stop signs at Heritage Preserve Run/Wild Lake Terr, and Heritage Preserve Run/Grand Estuary Trail. Bob requested that the Committee make that recommendation in writing to the Board.
1. 2. Signage for red pool phones is being worked on. They will all be the same, with a button to 911 operator. Bob will fix it so the physical address of each phone will be posted by the phone, so it can easily be given to the 911 operator.
1. 3. Pothole repair discussed, Bob will follow up on this and give the list of the potholes to Shaun.
1. 4. Street lights discussed, no recommendations made.

SECURITY

1. 1. Violations at Sanctuary gate. The suggestion was made that a second gate sensor be installed to establish two lanes for entry to reduce attempts to tailgate. Considerable discussion held about access IDs, used by guests, visitors, and renters, to include expiration dates.
1. 2. Main gate security checks to be tightened for a new contract.
1. 3. Need for pool guard. Discussions held, consensus was it is unnecessary, as the guard is only there 2-3 days a week. It was voted unanimously to recommend that the Board terminate the guards and apply the savings elsewhere.
1. 4. Pedestrian gate east of main gate discussed, no recommendations made. All are presently working. Jim and Ray recently checked all gates.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

1. 1. A kitchen 'plan' is not a Florida requirement. Bob has forwarded Sandy's report.
1. 2. Sandy gave updates on all items including the kitchen, bicycles, pool, ID of elderly/priority homes, posting of file of life, CPR/heat stroke, hurricane warnings, and family emergency planning. Bob welcomed the committee to submit these idea/suggestions for inclusion in the River Strand Newsletter.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. 1. Comments concerning control and expiration dates for IDs to prevent multiple people entering when they are not entitled to enter.
1. 2. Discussion on the lack of security along Port Harbor Pkwy resulted in Bob Walsh inviting all present to attend the next Board meeting to share their concerns with the rest of the Board.

1. 3. Discussion concerning the road cutout along Port Harbor Pkwy disclosed that it is a County road, and it is not LENNAR's responsibility. It was suggested that cones or posts might be installed to prevent people from parking there, making it less convenient for intruders to enter into the backyards of Sanctuary residents.
1. 4. It was also suggested that a fence similar to the one across the street in front of the apartments be installed along with enhanced trees, bushes, and shrubs as a real deterrent to entering River Strand along this western area of Port Harbor Pkwy.

Next meeting scheduled for August 2nd, (first Wednesday of the month).

Meeting adjourned at 5:30PM