

Gables Residents' Association (GRA) meeting

May 21 2017 Minutes

Welcome/Call to Order:

The Gables Residents' Association (GRA) meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m. by President Janel Jones. Janel led the audience in observing a Moment of Silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes:

Minutes of the April 23 meeting were distributed to members in attendance. Kathy DiDomenico-Bauer made a motion to accept the minutes. Lloyd Pearson seconded. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Nancy Lynch reported there is currently \$534..20 in the treasury. GRA membership is 49. Lloyd Pearson made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Michelle Moss seconded. The treasurer's report was approved.

Old Business:

At last month's GRA meeting, the Neptune Board of Education candidates were invited to speak. They were Candidates from the Moms for Neptune and Candidates from the Team with A Vision. The Moms for Neptune candidates won the election.

New Business:

- Janel requested that all GRA members see Nancy to pay their 2017 GRA dues.
- The floor was opened for nominations for GRA Secretary by President Jones. Hearing none, Janel informed the members that nominations will be sought again during the June meeting.
- GRA meeting and a cookout will be held on Sunday, June 25. President Jones asked for a few volunteers to bring a dish and they were: David Bacon, Janel Jones, Kathy DiDomenico-Bauer: dessert; Michelle Moss; Louise Pierce and Frederick Aubrey.
- Vice President Bacon mentioned that a few church members will be invited to the cookout.
- May birthdays: 31st: Kathy DiDomenico-Bauer

Lieutenant Michael Zarro, Neptune Township Police Department, welcomed:

- Lieutenant Zarro mentioned that a Police Memorial will be held on Tuesday, 5/23, to honor fallen New Jersey Police Officers.

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- Kathy DiDomenico-Bauer inquired about a large animal which she saw while she was driving. Members informed her that it might have been a possum or groundhog. There are plenty in the Gables.
- Lieutenant Zarro re emphasized to always lock cars and homes.
- An arrest was made regarding the break in of cars in the Gables. Treasurer Nancy Lynch was thanked for leading to the arrest of the person due to her home security camera.
- Vice President David Bacon mentioned that last year someone went into a car in the church garage and ransacked the glove compartment. Additionally, the Pastor's golf clubs were stolen.
- Lieutenant Zarro mentioned that there is a low rate of crime in the Gables.
- Bob Hodges mentioned that a person on a motorcycle was speeding on Mayfair Lane. Lieutenant Zarro advised that an anonymous complaint to the Police Department should be made when you witness any speeding.
- Lieutenant Zarro mentioned that someone he knows noticed speeding on Stamford Drive.
- Treasurer Nancy Lynch inquired about the shooting at the Jumping Brook Apartments. Lieutenant Zarro informed us that it was a homicide and Detectives are following leads.
- Vice President David Bacon inquired if the shooting was random.
- Lieutenant Zarro responded that they are looking into that. Possibility the people knew each other.
- Kathy DiDomenico-Bauer inquired about steps being taken regarding controlling summer traffic. Lillian Williams mentioned the heavy traffic on Route 35.
- Lieutenant Zarro informed us that there has been quite a number of accidents in front of Hackensack Meridian Health Jersey Shore University Medical Center. DOT is considering installing a turn in lane into the Hospital.
- Kathy DiDomenico-Bauer inquired if there will be a real estate impact of property values and availability in the Gables due to the construction of many hospital buildings.
- Lillian Williams inquired about any other additional properties the hospital is planning to purchase.

Adjournment:

Kathy DiDomenico-Bauer made a motion to close the meeting. Michelle Moss seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m. by President Janel Jones. The next GRA meeting will be June 25, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.

Special Guest Speaker Mr. Bruce Ficken, Vice President of the Gladstone Wealth Group welcomed:

Mr. Ficken gave an interesting and informative presentation about setting financial goals for retirement and financially preparing for the passing of a loved one through a Family Love Letter which includes the necessary tools for accomplishing this.