

# Gables Residents' Association (GRA)

Meeting Minutes

October 16, 2016

## Welcome/Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Gables Residents' Association (GRA) was called to order at 3:00pm on October 16, 2016 by President Janel Jones. She observed a moment of silence and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Secretary's Report

Minutes of the September 18th meeting were distributed to members in attendance. (Michelle Bowers moved to accept and Michael Fornino seconded).

## Treasurer's Report

Nancy Lynch reported there is currently \$458.20 and 46 members. (Sharon Davis moved to accept and Beatrice O'Neill seconded).

## Old Business

- GRA members congratulated David Bacon for being elected as GRA Vice President.

## New Business

- Janel Jones informed the members that David Bacon will be taking minutes on behalf of Secretary LaVonne Colasuonno.
- Janel Jones requested that all GRA members who have not paid their 2016 dues please do so and receive their GRA membership card.
- October birthdays acknowledged.
- Claudette Samuels volunteered to be a Block Captain for Eton Way.
- George Smith informed members that the GRA website is being completed with the assistance of Roslyn Steverson.
- There were not any committee reports given by: Preserve and Maintain, Neighborhood Watch, Fun/Activities or By Laws.
- Michael Fornino expressed that he was curious to know why the GRA, for the first time in 15 years, did not hold a Township Committee Candidate's Forum.
- Lieutenant Michael Zarro of Neptune Township Police Dept. welcomed for updates on ongoing concerns:
  - Michael Fornino mentioned that an over grown bush is blocking motorists' view at Wakefield Road and Route 33; he inquired about the sewer construction and repaving schedule for Fulham Place and other streets in the Gables.

- A slow down sign indicating the presence of an autistic child was requested for Walnut Street.
- Lynn Stolze inquired about another speed bump on Oxford Way. Lieutenant Zarro mentioned that new speed bumps will be added next Spring.
- Lloyd Pearson thanked Lieutenant Zarro for the street paving in the Gables.
- Mr. Pearson mentioned the overgrown vegetation at 1008 Fordham Road
- Beatrice O'Neill mentioned unsightly conditions and a blue tarp on the roof of the home at 902 Eton Way.
- Kathy DiDomenico-Bauer expressed concerns about election security at the polls as well as mischief night vandalism, especially on Stamford Drive, where houses were spray painted last year; Kathy also inquired about the status of the Gables Park bench. Lieutenant Zarro has not heard anything from public works regarding the installation of a bench
- Janel Jones confirmed with Lieutenant Zarro that curfew is 9:00 p.m. on Halloween.
- Lieutenant Zarro urged Gables residents to call him any time about any suspicious activity or concerns they may have
- GRA welcomed special guest Andrea Jo Rodgers, Author of "At Heaven's Edge," and EMT Volunteer with the Spring Lake First Aid Emergency Squad.
  - Mrs. Rodgers read an inspirational and positive chapter from her book. Many members purchased her signed book and she was gratefully acknowledged for sharing such an outstanding and touching presentation.

### **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm by President Janel Jones. The next GRA meeting will be at 3:00pm on November 20, 2016.

Minutes submitted by: David Bacon, Vice President

Approved by: Janel Jones, President

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