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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

May 6th, 2021

Virtual Meeting - Zoom

7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

1. Call to Order and overview of Virtual Meeting Rules

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

2. Review of Minutes from April 8th, 2021 meeting - Betty Demers

The minutes of the April 8th GM were approved as presented.

3. Crime Report -- Officer Wroblewski

The activity for the past 1 ½ months has been good in our area. There was a larceny from a motor vehicle which included theft of credit cards, etc. The keys were left in the car, but the car was not stolen. There was a hit and run on Shore Drive. Several people had asked about the recent fatal vehicle car crash on Shore Drive. According to the report, the vehicle was driving about 85 mph and side-swiped a vehicle and hit a tree. There will be roughly 8 officers working Memorial Day weekend. Most of the manpower will be focused on the oceanfront. For the summer there will be about 4 officers patrolling regularly.

4. Treasurer's Report-- Blake Norris

Blake provided an overview of the treasurer's report against budget. The report was approved as presented.

5. Old Business

a. Marlin Bay Apartment Development Update

The project has been rescaled to 197 units. One wing of the planned development showed one story removed in the revised plan. BAC does not recommend approval of the plan, but they do not have any veto power with the city. Andrea and Danny met with the city planner, Mr. Dao. He expects the project proposal to move forward and indicated it may come before planning as soon as June. Community input is looked at during the planning process. We should know as early as next week if it will be on the June planning agenda. Andrea added that we should be sending letters to Mr. Dao

prior to his report preparation. He indicated that the storm water, parking, and traffic study were all in order. He said density as it is proposed is 31.77 units per acre, which is more than any other project in Ocean Park. Louis Jones has not yet indicated how he will vote on the project. Mr. Watson of Wolcott, Rivers, Gates believes that these projects seem to be best handled by presentations from citizens based on past experiences. Mr. Ayers stated that he feels an attorney does need to be present to speak at these presentations. Andrea Lindemann asked if we could use some of the funds allocated for legal to use for advertising and flyers to get citizens involved. Blake Norris suggested that we hold some type of fund-raiser. Carly Swift suggested that we use Facebook advertising and other media to engage other neighborhoods.

Andrea Lindemann moved that we use some of the remaining legal funds for advertising to increase awareness of the project, up to the total remaining funds allocated. Carly Swift seconded the motion and the motion carried unopposed.

In response to a question, Jill Doczi indicated that there are 1500 households in Ocean Park, which includes high rises and other developments within Ocean Park.

b. Sand Replenishment Update

Danny noted that at the last meeting we had an hour presentation from the city on sand replenishment. As of today, there are not updates on the timeline. Between September 1 and November 15 there can be no sand placed on the beach because of sea turtle migration.

c. Fireworks – Jill Doczi

Jill indicated that we are optimistically planning and submitting permits as the city has recommended. The fire department has asked for their permit. The city does not want us to file a special events permit yet. If we do receive approval to proceed, we will be a bit behind in our fundraising and will need to push that fully.

d. PHP Events

There are several events scheduled for PHP and the full information is on the OPCL website.

6. New Business

A member asked if there is any chance that we will be meeting in person in the future. Danny indicated that we would try to host a meeting both in person and online when we are able. Blake Norris suggested that we continue with online meetings only until fall or late summer. Danny thanked everyone for their input for consideration.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.