West Deerfield Community Alliance Meeting Minutes Wednesday, August 31, 2011

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In Attendance: Bill Ganz - District 4 Commissioner, Ann Kennedy - Deer Run, Denise Bogner - Waterford Homes, Joan Maurice - Waterford Homes, Joe Cutroni - Starlight Cove, John Stevenson - Gates of Hillsboro, Kathy Maggi - Deer Run, Paula Bazzone - Deer Creek Improvement, Rich Kennedy - Deer Run, Steven Wagner - Harbors of Riverglen, Sandy Gordon – Deer Creek

Call To Order: Joe Cutroi called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

Minutes: A motion was made by Joan Maurice, seconded by Paula Bazzone, and approved by all to accept the minutes of the July 27, 2011 meeting into the record.

Attendance and Participation: A general discussion was held regarding the drop in attendance of WDCA Meetings. One suggestion was to keep meetings to one hour in length. Is a member would like questions answered or items discussed e-mail them to Todd and he can include them on the agenda.

General Items: Steve reported his Association has had an issue with a 3rd party buying foreclosure unit. He also warned about Bankruptcy Chapter 13 may affect HOAs loosing any liens they have placed on the property.

Pioneer Park: Steve asked Commissioner Bill Ganz to check on why exercise classes can use the regulation size ball field in the park and leaving a smaller size field for teams to use. Steve pointed out there are open areas in the park that could be soded for this type of use and leave the fields for the ball players. Kathy Maggie reported she attended the planning meeting for Pioneer Park and she stated there seems to be areas of the park that may not be used in the best way. It appears a large part of the land will be used for boat trailer parking rather than playing area. Commissioner Ganz said he will bring these issues to the other Commissioners.

Commissioner Ganz talked about the BSO/Fire Department merger and how this was agreed on in part due to cost savings relating to maintaining equipment and facilities.

The Utility Tax and budget cuts will allow property taxes to be reduced by 1mil.

Citizens must still call and report violations to the Code Enforcement Department.

Commissioner Ganz asked everyone to report abandoned and foreclosure properties to the City.

There was a discussion on areas instituting Neighborhood Watch programs.

Coconut Creek was notified about the land fill project and they did not oppose it. Deerfield will try to fight it.

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2011 WILL BE HELD AT THE BSO SUBSTATION ON POWERLINE ROAD.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Denise Bogner