

West Deerfield Community Alliance
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 29, 2013
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In Attendance: 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, Nancy Taylor – Townhomes of Deer Creek, Penny Frantello - Waterford Homes, Rich Kennedy - Deer Run, Sandy Gordon – Townhomes of Deer Creek, Todd Drosky - Starlight Cove, Desiderio Pal – Gates of Hillsboro.

Call To Order: Todd Drosky called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Crime Report: BSO Deputy Jeff Vomero reported a car theft in Deer Run and a burglary of a residence in Deer Creek. Burglars saw an elderly couple in their front lawn and caused a distraction and entered the residence. Their son was inside and called police – criminals were caught on the golf course.

Deer Run received their Crime Watch signs which were paid for by Charlie DaBrusco (City Engineer).

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by John Stevenson, seconded by Joan Maurice, and approved by all to accept the minutes of the April 24, 2013 minutes into the record.

Code Enforcement: Deputy Ron Stark and Inspector Jan Brimsly attended the meeting. Jan oversees northwest Deerfield and the mall with Pam Francis covering the west section, including the Waterford area. Residents can call 954-480-4241 and leave a message to report any code enforcement problems. Deputy Stark's e-mail address is rstark@deerfield-beach.com and direct line is 954-480-4237. Complaints called in can be left without leaving your name, but if you send an e-mail your contact information does become public record. There are 8 inspectors assigned by BSO zones. They work 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. 7 days a week. Generally on the weekend the inspectors spend time removing signs and contacting residents asking them to remove yard sale signs when the sale is done. If they are called for a general problem, the inspectors canvas the neighborhood looking for the same violation in the area.

Codes are changed by the City Commission.

When a complaint is received generally a notice is posted on the property owner's door. If the problem is not resolved, a second notice is mailed. Non-compliance at this point is brought to a hearing with the Magistrate, where fines and dates to comply can be imposed. The Magistrate meets once per month. It was noted that if the violation is corrected and happens again the procedure starts over with notices being issued.

Parking over the sidewalk in residential neighborhoods is a problem and in some neighborhoods Code Enforcement will contact BSO to issue a parking ticket rather than a notice. Deputy Stark recommends the HOA let residents know this will happen. Parking on the street is not a violation in the City if a car can drive around it. Businesses are required to have an enclosure around their dumpsters but there is no violation if they don't keep the gate closed.

Complaints on trees and hedges are referred to the City Landscaper. Not much can be done if hedges are dead – residents can be asked to remove them but cannot be required to replace them.

Next Meeting: June 24, 2013 WILL BE HELD AT THE BSO SUBSTATION ON POWERLINE ROAD.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Bogner