

# **Gables Residents' Association (GRA) meeting**

November 20, 2016 Minutes

## **Welcome/Call to Order:**

The Gables Residents' Association (GRA) meeting was called to order at 3:07 p.m. by President Janel Jones. She observed a moment of silence and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Minutes:**

Minutes of the October 16th meeting were distributed to members in attendance. Sharon Davis moved to accept the minutes and George Smith seconded the motion.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

On behalf of Nancy Lynch, LaVonne Colasuonno reported \$486.20 and 54 members. Sharon Davis moved to accept the Treasurer's report and Mario Guzman seconded the motion.

## **Old Business:**

- Janel Jones requested that all GRA members who have not paid their 2016 dues please do so and receive their GRA membership card.
- Janel thanked everyone for supporting Author Andrea Jo Rodgers at her book signing at last month's GRA meeting.

## **New Business:**

- There will not be a GRA meeting in December. Elections of Officers (President, Secretary and Treasurer) will take place at the January 2017 meeting.
- No November or December birthdays reported.
- Diane Wran-Farris volunteered to be a Block Captain for Harrow Court.
- No committee reports were given.
- Michael Fornino expressed that he felt taken back that there was not a GRA forum held for Neptune Township Committee candidates.
- Lieutenant Michael Zarro of the Neptune Township Police Department welcomed for updates on ongoing concerns:
  - Lieutenant. Zarro reported that the Gables Park bench has been ordered and will be installed after the last snowfall.
  - The house on Eton Way reported for excessive debris is on the abandoned list.
  - Code enforcement sent summons to residents for unsightly property on Fordham Road.

- Sign board will be installed on Walnut Street for speed readings.
- There have been shootings around Monroe Avenue. Both the Neptune and Asbury Police Departments have street crime officers on overtime patrolling streets and investigating criminal activity.
- All fights reported in the news at Neptune High School were from last year. All juveniles were arrested. There have been no fights at the Neptune High School this year.
- Toys for Tots is coming up soon. Toys can be donated to the Neptune Police Department and they are given out to families in need during the week of Christmas.
- Michael Fornino suggested that the Neptune Township Police Department go to pitman schedule. Lieutenant Zarro reported that the Chief of Police has said no to that.
- Sharon Davis inquired about a list or website indicating the schedule for the streets receiving new plumbing and water installation. Lieutenant Zarro reported that it can be found on the Neptune Township website and will be sent out to Janel for distribution to GRA members.
- Diane Wran-Farris inquired about the traffic pattern changes with Jersey Shore University Medical Center erecting the Hope Tower. She requested lights where both Wakefield and Davis Avenue intersect with Highway 33. Lieutenant Zarro reported that there will not be lights added to either intersection
  - Congratulations to Kathy DiDomenico-Bauer and Beatrice O'Neill who won the prettiest tree contest!
  - Neptune was accepted as a national tree city. There will be signs posted reflecting this designation.
  - Leaves pickup will be determined by public works. There is no established schedule at this time.

### **Adjournment**

Sharon Davis motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mario Guzman seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 3:55 pm by President Janel Jones. The next GRA meeting will be at 3:00 pm on January 15, 2017.

Minutes submitted by: LaVonne Colasuonno, Secretary