



BOCA WEST

MASTER ASSOCIATION

SECURITY & SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, February 15, 2021

2:30 P.M.

MINUTES

In attendance: Elaine Wittlin, Chairperson, Ronnie Pollard, Ron Roth and Steve Berlin, Alan Feldman, Nancy Fried and Shep Remis. Brad Baecht, Executive Director, and Chief Joe Lastella were also present.

Guests: Carol Goldberg, Gardens of Lakewood I, and Wally Shapiro, Cypress Walk.

Mrs. Wittlin called the meeting to order at 2:30 P.M. and established a quorum. The January meeting minutes were unanimously approved as written.

Chairperson's Comments

Mrs. Wittlin advised that this is the last meeting for this season. All of the Committee members will be receiving a Club gift card as a token of appreciation for their service. If any one is interested in volunteering again for this Committee to contact Alyssa Martinez. After the Annual Meeting and the Organizational Meeting, the new Committee members will be selected to serve from March April 2021 – March 2022.

Mrs. Wittlin commended the Committee for their service and all that has been accomplished. She also commended the Security staff as Boca West is fortunate to have their very own security staff along with PBSO, who work 24/7/365 ensuring the safety of all the residents, guests and family members in the community.

Executive Director Report

Mr. Baecht said they are in the process of ordering DOT stop signs and directional signs. It will take a few months before they are installed. This is part of the five-year plan as stated in the reserve study to change things over and increase the safety on BWMA roads. The sand blasted stop signs will be removed.

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Mr. Baecht reported on the remodel of the Glades guardhouse. It will make a nice statement when arriving at Boca West. We have contracted with all of the consultants and will go to vote with the residents. The street lights will be replaced at the Glades entrance and will continue along Boca West Dr., Golfside Dr. and Bridgewood. If other communities want to update their light-poles they will have the opportunity to contact the contractor. It will be a great transition.

Security Report

Chief Lastella reviewed the Security Report. The totals for the month for guests passing through all of the gate were as follows:

Glades: 24,900

Jog: 23,798

Yamato: 23,389

Even with the pandemic there is still a large number of people coming and going, but not as much as the pre-pandemic numbers.

Pending Business

Mr. Baecht reported on the FPL street light poles which can take months to replace.

Mr. Baecht reported on COVID19 vaccines availability. He has been tracking the vaccination sites and sharing new sites and registration information with the residents.

Mrs. Goldberg asked if we were receiving calls from residents who are not able to go online. Mr. Baecht explained that BWMA cannot legally cannot assist residents.

Other

Mr. Roth advised that a member in his community was concerned about the emergency vehicles getting through the community due to the cars parked in the street. Chief Lastella said he will have patrol remind the residents to park the cars along one side of the street to allow emergency vehicles to pass.

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Mr. Roth advised that when golf carts are parked in the garage to charge, they release hydrogen gas that is not detected by carbon monoxide detectors. Residents need to be alerted that when charging the carts, they need to leave the garage doors open. He put a timer on the charger so once the timer goes off it cannot re-charge again. The timer costs about \$40.

Mr. Shapiro reported on a troop of feral cats in Cypress Walk. Mr. Baecht advised that BWMA does not trap feral cats and recommended calling Palm Beach County TVNR Program (Trap Neuter Vaccinate Release) or have your property manager contact the pest control company that your village uses.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 3:15 P.M.

Next Meeting –TBD.

Respectfully Submitted,



Elaine Wittlin
Chair and Vice-President

Date