

Hammocks Community Association Inc.

Minutes of the Neighborhood Committee Meeting
September 20th, 2023 – 7:00PM

1. Call to Order

The meeting of the Neighborhoods Committee was called to order by Kristen Gurucharri at 7:00pm.

2. Determination of a quorum

Present:

Advisory Board Members Present:

Kristen Gurucharri

Anthony Serrone of FirstService Residential.

3. Proof of Notice of Meeting

Anthony Serrone advised that Management posted notice for the meeting on all the bulletin boards throughout the community and on the association website on Monday, September 18, 2023.

4. Neighborhoods Committee Chair Report

Kristen Gurucharri presented the Report.

- The major concerns in the neighborhoods are still drainage, lights, and painting which were all spoken about in the Advisory Board Meeting last night.
- Drainage - The drains need to be jet-cleaned after being neglected for 7 years. Sediment has built up in the drains which is why they are not draining properly. Everyone is experiencing the issue, and the problem is being worked on.
- Lighting – It is not as simple as screwing light bulbs into the posts. Some of the posts need to be worked and the colors of the lightbulbs need to match the lights that are currently installed in the neighborhood.
- Selection of committee members – I was going to randomly select the committee members for each neighborhood, but I decided to give that power to the neighborhoods to go amongst their neighbors and come up with someone that will be responsible for representing that neighborhood. There were a couple of communities that didn't have anyone show at the meeting. If this continues to persist, we will have to pick someone for that neighborhood.
- Communication – If you need to reach me you can reach out to FirstService Residential, and they can get you to me. I cannot be reached on social media. The best way to reach me is through the association website or through FirstService Residential.

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New Business

- **Owners' comments and questions-**

- **Janine Manzano - Live Oak** –People walk their dogs in Live Oak because they do not have dog waste stations in their neighborhood. I suggest that we put cameras up at the waste stations or put waste baskets in neighborhoods where there are none.
 - **Kristen Gurucharri** – We can push the issue to the advisory board. This is a courtesy that everyone just needs to do when walking their dog. Sometimes I bring extra bags and stuff them in the holder.
 - **Guillermo Roldan – Live Oak** – There are also people who let their dogs walk off the leash when walking them.
 - **Kristen Gurucharri** – If you see the dogs off the leash you can call the authorities.
 - **Guillermo Roldan – Live Oak** – Can I call FirstService Residential for that?
 - **Kristen Gurucharri** – You can call security and we can send them a notice. When calling them I would phrase it in a way that says you have a fear of dogs, and this dog does not have a leash.
 - **Guillermo Roldan – Live Oak** – Sometimes the dogs even chase people.
 - **Kristen Gurucharri** – Again, we can push the issue, but I am not sure how much can be done, although I do sympathize with everything that was mentioned.

- **Laura Chevel – Cedar Landing –**
 - I created a spreadsheet of issues of things that need to be done in cedar landing that I shared with Danilo and Jean-Carlos still waiting for answers.
 - **Kristen Gurucharri** – Please forward this over to us and include Anthony in the email.
 - **Laura Chevel** – I have done this is to share information amongst the neighborhood and share responsibility. Getting the participation is hard. Is there any curfew about loud music on the weekend?
 - **Kristen Gurucharri** – I would first ask the neighbor to be considerate in turning their music down. If they are not respectful you can always call the authorities as there is a Miami Dade Music Ordinance.
 - **Laura Chevel** - Call 911?
 - **Kristen Gurucharri** – No, call the non-emergency number.

- **Zaida Nicholson – Spicewood -**

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- **Zaida Nicholson** – I will volunteer to send out emails to the neighborhood to get more involvement. There are also iguanas eating flowers in my yard and a lot of feces from the geese on the trails.
- **Stella Syracuse – Oakwood** - There are also peacocks everywhere. There is an agency that the county advertises that will come and get the birds and take them to a sanctuary.
- **Kristen Gurucharri** – We will try to find the agency and see if there is anything we can do to have them removed.
- **Stella Syracuse** – There should be a way to escalate it up to the County.

- **Jean Nacier – Corella**
 - There are six cars lined up on the side of the road and they are doing body shop work out of their house in Corella. There is another house where the second-floor windows are boarded up with plywood and it has been like that for a while. The trees in Corella also need to be trimmed.
 - **Kristen Gurucharri** – As far as the tree trimming schedule goes, Corey from FirstService Residential stated we need arborist because some of the trees are 60-70 ft. tall. The arborist needs to tell us the best way to go about tree trimming for the whole property and how to do larger trees. Turf has been trimming smaller trees, palm trees, and picking up branches.
 - **Jean Nacier** – The trees are completely invading my back yard. They must be a certain amount of feet away from the house.
 - **Felix – Corella** – I am trying to be non-confrontation regarding the same situation that Jean mentioned. I do not understand how it got to this point with security driving around. You can see batteries on the floor, body parts, etc. on floor.
 - **Kristen Gurucharri** – We do pass this information onto the receiver to get some direction on how to deal with these situations.
 - **Andrea Hall – Sunflower** – How do we report the rules being broken?
 - **Kristen Gurucharri** – You can send the complaints to FirstService Residential.
 - **Andrea Hall** – Is anyone answering the phone?
 - **Anthony Serrone** – You can call our hotline at 1-866-261-9020 or send an email to hammocksteam@fsresidential.com

- **Andrea Hall – Sunflower** –
 - AT&T has been digging up the lines in neighborhoods and not replacing the grass.
 - **Kristen Gurucharri** – I know that Danilo Baptista was working on that.
 - **Andrea Hall** – Also there is a lack of guest parking in the neighborhood.

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- **Kristen Gurucharri** – This has been brought up for every neighborhood but there is a lot that goes into that. We can't just put parking spaces wherever we want.

- **Maria Lopez Peralta – Oakwood Estates -**
 - Have they cleaned the lakes?
 - **Kristen Gurucharri** – Frank was supposed to walk the lakes with Jean-Carlos. They have mulched and sanded the beaches. They are working to clean the lakes and the fountains. There have been proposals that have been sent to the receiver.

- **Marcoantonio Real – Heron -**
 - Called phone number, and it says FirstService Residential hotline.
 - **Anthony Serrone** – It is a hotline that is run by FirstService Residential. We do have staff reserved only for The Hammocks Community Association.

- **Janine Manzano** – What was the purpose of the sand?
 - **Kristen Gurucharri** – To look pretty. It was a first step in trying to make the neighborhood look better. There are kids still going in the water and we wanted it to look nice.

- **Laura Chevel –**
 - At the edge of the lake the weeds started growing again. I am going to send photos to FSR about weeds along the lakes. FirstService should have killed these weeds.
 - **Kristen Gurucharri** – Cannot treat the weeds because it will kill the animals in the lake.
 - **Laura Chevel – They** should have pull them by hand.
 - **Kristen Gurucharri** – Weeds are coming through because the beaches weren't done for a long time but they are now being attended to.

- **Andrea Hall –**
 - Have the potholes been fixed?
 - **Kristen Gurucharri** – Ask Anthony
 - **Anthony Serrone-** To my knowledge some have been fixed but not all of them our maintenance team has been cold patching some.

Kristen Gurucharri – Are there any other questions?

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Kristen Gurucharri.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12pm