

Minutes of Meeting of Whiskey Creek Board – January 11, 2016

President Bernie opened the meeting at 7:01 P.M. Present besides him were Dennis, Karen, Paul, Ron, our speaker and one guest. Dean, Kate and Jeanne were absent and excused. Bernie introduced our speaker, Peggy Lince, whose topic was “Residential Safety.” Three factors relating to a burglary are target, desire and opportunity. The only one we can control as residents is opportunity, and that by making homes as secure as possible – close and lock garages, lock doors and cars, and use alarms at night. She said most burglars know the victim or become acquainted with the house through visits or providing services. Most burglars are white males under 25 and they operate in warm weather in the day time. They go to the master bedroom first and take small things. Dogs are the number one deterrent. Call 911 immediately if you see or hear suspicious activity. Learn to be specific in descriptions of vehicles and individuals. On the latter, use the pneumonic device “HALT” to aid in remembering features around the head (e.g. hat), abs (e.g. color of clothes), legs (e.g. clothes again) and toes (e.g. shoes). She is willing do residential surveys and will do a presentation on a neighborhood watch program. Her phone number is 239-258-3284.

Officers’ reports. Bernie asked that we approve the minutes previously sent by the secretary, and Dennis so moved. Ron seconded, and motion passed unanimously. Karen read her treasurer’s report showing for December 16, 2016 to January 10, 2017, income of \$100 and expenses of \$284.39. Bernie accepted the report for audit.

Committee reports. Yard beautification – no report. Deed restrictions – Dennis said the letters he sent last month produced compliance regarding a motor home and two boats and trailers, and that he sent out 24 letters regarding outside light post violations in Karen’s neighborhood. A discussion ensued regarding the overall viability of trying to enforce that particular restriction. Membership – Karen reported that as of December 31, 2016, we had 726 family members, 126 new in 2016, with income of \$18,290 plus \$140 for license plates.

Old business. Ron said he will be holding a meeting of the nominating committee, will contact prospective board members, and will report at the February meeting. Dennis reported on preparations for the Legislative Delegation meeting on January 19, regarding our proposed MRTA amendments. He handed out a memo we prepared and sent to the delegation with a copy of the bill prepared by our attorney. He said Bernie is on the list to make a short presentation at that meeting.

New Business. Bernie said a replacement is needed on the MSTBU board for Wayne Robbins who resigned. His focus has been irrigation, and he met monthly with the irrigation contractors. Ron said water hyacinths are becoming a problem in Lake Champagne, and he received a consensus of the board to represent us in contacting the control personnel. He said the problem is complicated by the presence of a manatee that is now living in the lake

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 P.M. on motion by Dennis, second by Ron, and unanimous approval.

Respectively submitted by Dennis Rodgers, acting secretary.