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# MIDDLE RIVER TERRACE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION INC. BOD MEETING - AGENDA MONDAY FEBRUARY 8, 2016

**BOD Meeting Called to Order: 5:32 p.m.** 

Approve Agenda: Jan Palmer – Seconded by Tony Fiori

Approve Minutes from January 11, 2016, Meeting: Charles Scheller – Seconded by Tony Fiori

# **Officers Reports:**

# Treasurer's Report

\$6,908.68
123.97
51.00
-10.50
<u>-630.25</u>
\$6,442.90

# **Police Report**

No report was given as our police officer was busy on the amber alert for a car with a missing small child.

#### **Old Business:**

#### **MRTNA Annual Party**

MRTNA annual party at Warsaw was a great success. A special "thank you" to Coleen, Steve, Jonathan, Jan, Joann, Tony and Charlie. "Thank you" especially to Coleen and Steve for their donations.

#### **Clean Up Day and Planting Day**

A motion was made by Laura Croscenco and seconded by Steve Stahl for a planting and cleanup day to be scheduled for March 1<sup>st</sup> at 3:00 p.m. We will meet with the school for planting of the coco plum shrubs along the back fence at the high school to fill in the ones

missing. We will also trim the bushes and clean up the area at the former entry way sign across the street from Ft. Lauderdale High School.

# **Playground Equipment**

A request has been made to the City for playground equipment for the MRT Park. We have been advised that \$200,000 has been planned for the 2020 budget. Steve Stahl made a motion that this request be moved forward to a more current date and post pone the funds requested for replacement of the deck at the dock for a future time. This motion was seconded by Charlie Scheller. It was decided the playground equipment was more urgent and would attract more people to our park and be a community center.

# **Dock Replacement**

Steve Stahl has received prices from two contractors for replacing the decking with sustainable products for the dock and a price from a contractor for lighting. This will be presented to the City for consideration depending on the request for the playground equipment being moved up.

#### **Dredging of River**

Steve has also been in contact with Lee Feldman for over a year in regard to the dredging of the river at the dock and we are still waiting.

# "No Smoking Signs"

Two "no smoking" signs at the MRT Park has been approved and erected. A request has been made for a third sign at the pavilion.

# Entry Ways at N, E. 16th Street, N. E. 17th Court, and N. E. 12th Terrace

Laura Croscenco has submitted requests to Dean Trantalis for beautification and safety concerns at the entrances of N. E Fourth Avenue and N. E. 16<sup>th</sup> Street, N. E. 17<sup>th</sup> Court by the railroad tracks, and N. E. 12<sup>th</sup> Terrace in the industrial area where children will be attending school, church, etc. that is being proposed.

#### **Meeting Time Change Proposal**

Consideration is being given to changing our start time for our meetings from 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. We will do a test to start the meetings at 6:00 p.m. and allow people to attend at 6:15 or 6:30 p.m. to see the time best for most attendees. We will see how many come and vote for the change of time to begin at 6:00 p.m. at the general meeting on 2/11/16. The general meeting for 2/11/16 will still begin at 5:30 p.m. this Thursday.

# **Ribbon Cutting at Police Substation**

Laura Croscenco has requested a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new sign that has been erected at the police substation on 13<sup>th</sup> Street. She has requested the Chief of Police, Commissioners, and City Manager along with the mounted police, police dogs, etc. be present to make the substation presence for the area known.

#### **New Business:**

#### **Action Phone Line**

Steve Stahl requested we have an action phone line for neighbors to call in and leave messages for needs and information. He already has a phone line and will publish it on Next Door and the website.

# St. Patrick's Day Parade

There was discussion about the St. Patrick's Day Parade, however, no action was taken.

# **Broward Call Center**

There was discussion about the Broward Call Center, however, no action was taken.

# **Upcoming meetings:**

Support Night will be Thursday, February 11, 2016, in the parking lot adjacent to City Hall after our general meeting.

Next BOD Meeting: Monday March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 – 13<sup>th</sup> St. Police Substation - 5:30 p.m. (if renovation work has been completed or TBD).

Next General Meeting: Thursday February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016 – at MRT Park at 5:30 p.m. or 6.00 p.m. if more convenient.

Neighborhood Action and Safety Meeting on February 17, 2016, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Lauderdale Manors Community Center located at 1340 Chateau Park Drive in Fort Lauderdale, Fl.

Meeting is adjourned: 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jan Palmer, Secretary