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# MIDDLE RIVER TERRACE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION INC. GENERAL MEETING - AGENDA THURSDAY MARCH 17, 2016

General Meeting Called to Order: 6:00 p.m.

**Approve Agenda: Tony Fiori – Seconded by Jan Palmer** 

Approve Minutes dated February 11, 2016: Charles Scheller – Seconded by Tony Fiori

## **Officers Reports:**

Treasurer's Report

Balance end of Jan 2016	\$6,442.90
Four new members	100.00
Balance end of Feb 2016	\$6,542.90

#### **Police Report**

### February Stats

Vehicle break-ins	none
House break-ins	none
Stolen bicycles	5

Officer reported there is a trend in stolen bicycles. We need to watch where bicycles are stored. Thieves watch for them at side of houses or in open garages. This is happening in all neighborhoods.

Colleen Lockwood made a motion to move the meeting ahead of schedule and discuss the improvements on Dixie Highway, 13<sup>th</sup> Street and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Motion was seconded by Tony Fiori.

#### Dixie Highway

Diana from the City of Fort Lauderdale told us that design is 60% complete and will be 90% complete in April. When 90% complete design, it will go out to bid. Construction is due to begin in December 2016. There will be a meeting in April for input from the Association before taking it to 100% complete. Legal will be added to it and will go to market in October

with the complete construction package. At this time, we will need to see if we have enough money to complete project. In July 2016, we will have 90% design on sidewalks, lights, trees, etc. During the holidays in December 2016, we will celebrate Dixie construction. The addition of pedestrian street lights was discussed and Tony Fiori made a motion, seconded by Colleen Lockwood to accept the crystal up-light with led white bulbs. These will give more light than other design offered. Laura asked Diana if we could have the ones with two lights on each pole and we were told it would depend on the price and availability of money. The poles will be concrete and look like our turquoise poles with our street numbers. It was noted that the existing street lights will continue to exist. We were told to go to Lauder-serve to advise of any street outages.

# N. E. 13th Street

The proposed changes for 13<sup>th</sup> Street are 90% in design and moving toward 100%. Plans are that this will be in market place in June 2016 and out for bid for construction in August or September 2016. This will be brought back in April for neighbors input.

On May 18, 2016, there will be a transportation summit. You can call 954 828-5226. A meeting on street smarts will be held at the Broward Center for Performing Arts.

#### Fourth Avenue

Fourth Avenue will be changed to 1 lane of traffic each way with the addition of bike lanes, green space and sidewalks. It was noted that a lot of bicycles are being seen on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The large existing trees will be saved. The street lights will be analyzed so they will be in synch. The goal is to move more traffic but not as fast as now. The school is not using the drop off areas to their full potential. We are second in nation for bicycle usage.

#### **New Business:**

The City has given us a new sign to be posted at the dock. Steve Stahl has requested that he be allowed to hang this sign with screws that will not allow it to be removed and possibly cover with plexi-glass to save it from being defaced as before.

Laura has requested a ride-along with Code Enforcement to point out problems in neighborhood that need to be corrected. There are no news on the playground equipment for our park. A motion was made by Steve and seconded by Joann for a cleanup of 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 18<sup>th</sup> Street that is our "adopt a street". This is scheduled for March 29<sup>th</sup> from 8 a.m to 10 a.m. A cleanup for Dixie and 13<sup>th</sup> Street is scheduled for April 30<sup>th</sup>.

## **Upcoming meetings:**

Next BOD Meeting: Monday April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. - Location TBD General Meeting: Thursday April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. - Middle River Terrace Park Pavillion

Neighborhood Action & Safety Meeting – April 20th, 2016

Meeting is adjourned 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jan Palmer, Secretary