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Safety committee meeting 1/20/2021

Present: Jerry Receveur, Brian Goldbeck, Doris Seastream, Ray Barton, Jim Armstrong, Jerry Moore, Gerald Hersey

****In the future, a sign saying date, time and location of safety meeting needs to be posted by mailboxes at least two days in advance.**

Meeting start time: 4PM

Lon Sloan: Corporal Nash spoke with Lon today about park security. Meeting Feb 16th with Jack Nash. We are a perfect target to be robbed. They will keep coming back "to the grocery store" as nothing is here to prevent thefts. We need some sort of barrier because we are the easiest place to steal from. Number 2 is Big O. Big O has gates but you can go around them. Best thing to do is bolt cart to concrete. Wheel locks won't prevent theft as the cart can be lifted up and hauled away. The police believe the thieves will be back relatively soon.

Safety committee members: Brian Goldbeck Chair☺

Doris Seastream secretary

Brian spoke and gave a brief description of his past chairperson activities, etc. He would like us to come up with a plan that is as cheap as possible, etc:

Brian and Jerry R have been talking about things: a double rail fence across the front, rent/use an auger to dig the post holes, cement them in, put boards across and paint the whole thing white. Contact FPL about damaged utility poles to see if they would donate them to us for use as fence posts. Contact quarries to see if we can get big boulders donated. No one has been contacted yet. He has some contacts from his old neighborhood. We can use the existing maintenance guys as well as volunteers to put in the fence. COPS would also be great, a car could simply be dropped off here. Brian is willing to make calls and get information.

Lon: police have said any ideas we have need to be within the committee, not out to the general public. He dressed as an old "scumbag" and drove around the park looking at everything. People were nothing but nice to him and no one challenged him! He suggested that we ALL be more vigilant. We can join COPS (citizens on patrol) but it would be the south east quarter, not just us. He would bring applications if we are interested.

Jerry R: we need to contact FPL for easements, pole donation, Jerry will contact FPL about easement distances and where park properties begin, easements around the homes and near the canal (contact water management). Jerry has an estimate from 2015 for a concrete fence.....

Brian suggests we see if we can get something free first! He will contact officer Nash to see if he can come to our next meeting.

We also need to: contact the county for fences, insurance, etc.

Jerry A: Fence like the one that is down the road from us, the wooden one would be nice. He researched at Home Depot using 4x4 posts and 2x6 parallels, for 1000 feet comes out to be around \$4000 for materials. (Rough estimate)

Gates need to be monitored. Pros and cons: price (con), need to be monitored, if a code is used, people give the code out to everyone, clicker like garage door, someone wants in they could wait for the gate to open, need a person/supervisor, could also use a work camper for gate supervision. Anything we do will take time. We need something done right now. So, what can we do? Maybe remind everyone in here that they are responsible for their own lot. If they don't know what to do right now, call office and someone from this committee will come talk to them. Home Depot has dusk to dawn, motion lights with a camera but need internet. Maybe we should talk to a security company about ideas.

Jerry R: cameras are being updated. Some of the existing cameras are not working properly.

Maybe we need a security person who works for the park. Or a "posse" for night time of volunteers or hire someone. It needs to be 7 days a week. But then, summer time.

Doris will contact Ancient Oaks to see what they do.

Bev: KOA opens the gate for just about anyone.....

Discussion about gates, slowing down the people just entering the park to "case the joint", signs saying that this park is under surveillance, this park is patrolled, etc. We need volunteers to do some things, maybe we need to put a fence to start, gates need some work (cons), etc. Maybe we can contact the guy next to us that has a pile of boulders sitting in his field to see if he will donate them to us. Insurance liability if we put up a fence and someone gets hurt. Someone needs to check with Nadine for insurance info. Homeowners need to check deductible for golf cart, is it insurance?, they are responsible for their property.

We need to put a letter out to homeowners about what to do now. Doris and Brian will write something up for board approval.

Ray and Jim Armstrong will quarry "shop".

This committee will meet once a week for now to get things done quicker. Next meeting Wednesday 1/27 at 4PM
Adjourned at 4:50PM