### **MEETING MINUTES**

Shady Banks Civic Association General Membership Meeting January 20, 2016 Hortt Park Community Center

The Shady Bank's Civic Association General Membership Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm. by President Barbara Haggerty.

### **NAT (Neighborhood Action Team) Police Report**

In the past month there was one attempted home burglary and 3 car burglaries which involved 2 unlocked cars and one where a briefcase was left in plain sight. Our NAT Police Officer, Ivan Fernandez, reported that for the past year there are no records of any calls from any SW 19 Ave. residents for wall climbing complaints/trespassing.

### **Davie Blvd Wall & Security**

Speaker, Robert Lopez, FDOT Project Engineer Manager for the Davie wall project, attended our Shady Banks Civic Association General Membership meeting and explained in detail the 3 options we were asked to consider:

- 1. fencing added to top of existing "perimeter wall"
- 2. heightening the wall
- 3. a new higher wall

After numerous questions and much dialog explaining the complexities of each option, the vote to proceed with the original FDOT Davie Wall plan was unanimous, not one person at the meeting opposed. These options would delay the project for up to 2 years. The members present determined that it would be best to continue with the original plan currently in place to obtain relief now and allow for the other repairs to the wall. This original plan provides for the walls resurfacing in a stained concrete mixture that does not require painting, a rounded cap to be added to the top of the wall to make gripping more difficult, and moving the chain link fence away from the lower Davie "perimeter wall", attaching it 10 ft south on the much higher I95 "sound wall".

Public notice of this meeting was posted on Nextdoor and shadybanks.org with agenda as well as signs on the streets.

Mr. Lopez was assured that Randi Sands was personally invited by Hadny Fayyaz, former Civic Association President and current Board member, in a Nextdoor message to her. However, she was not present to explain why she feels the people she has seen in her back yard (2 doors down from the Davie wall) came from climbing the wall in her neighbor's yard. In a phone conversation with President Barbara Haggerty, the owner of the property that does abut the Davie wall said his tenants have not

seen any such activity for over a year. One SW 19<sup>th</sup> Ave. neighbor did say that she has seen young people come over the wall onto the public street but has not seen anyone going into the property against the wall.

We did ask for no trespass signs to be posted on the resurfaced wall to aid police in taking action. (It was noted that hopping a barrier from one public area to another public street was not illegal.) We discussed planting thorny plants along the wall and neighbors volunteered free plants for Randi to plant along her fence.

We asked Mr. Lopez should the original plan not correct the situation would FDOT revisit the issue. He did say that if the problem continued after the improvements are completed, that FDOT would be glad to sit down to see what other improvements may be possible.

By voting approval to continue with the original wall plan, the Board members and others present collectively agreed to reaffirm the original project parameters and encouraged Mr. Lopez to convey the Board's appreciation to FDOT management.

# **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasury Report was presented by Don Haggerty, Treasurer. As of 12/31/15 the SBCA account balance was \$15,293.65.

**Minutes** from the 12/16/15 SBCA meeting were reviewed with discussion. The Board decided to make corrections and bring the revised minutes to the February meeting for consideration.

### **Committee Reports**

### Hortt Park/ Trees Planted

The location for our new tennis court required the removal of 9 trees. The Parks Department promised to plant the same number of new trees. Per Board member Hadny Fayyaz, the final number of new trees far exceeded the number of removed trees. 15 new trees now have a home in Hortt Park. There are 4 Crape Myrtle, 6 oak, 1 Maringa, and 4 bakerianas. Thanks much to Gene Dempsey of the City's Parks Department. The Board approved a request for up to \$100 to purchase organic fertilizer & plants for the Wildlife Park section of Hortt Park.

Movies In The Park will resume at 7:30 p.m. on the 1st Saturday of the month, beginning in February, per Shelby Smith, III.

<u>Game Time</u>: Board approved a request for Barbara Haggerty to purchase a new Scrabble Board for the adult games.

#### **Old Business**

# Neighborhood Watch Signs:

Board reaffirmed the purchase of 4 new reflective signs. Neighborhood residents need to know the Broward County Dispatch Center non-emergency phone number (954) 764-4357. We will look into the cost of purchasing sufficient refrigerator magnets for all Shady Banks residents.

#### **New Business**

# Election of 2016 Board Members

At the 12/16/15 SBCA meeting, 10 nominations were received for the 10 seats open for the 2016 SBCA Board. Ballots were given out to all current Shady Banks Civic Association members in attendance. Upon motion to accept all 10 nominees, all 10 were approved by a unanimous vote. Therefore, ballots were not counted.

The 10 Board members for 2016 are:

- 1. Jeanette Carr
- 2. Hadny Fayyaz
- 3. Bette Groves
- 4. Gene Groves
- 5. Barbara Haggerty
- 6. Don Haggerty
- 7. Phoenix Marks
- 8. Jacob Newman
- 9. Bill Purswell
- 10. Shelby Smith, III

| Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.                               |               |
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| Barbara J. Haggerty, President Shady Banks Civic Association | Date          |