

Meadow Wood Farms Property Owners Association

Executive Board Meeting Minutes October 14, 2025

Friendship Park 73 Lake View Drive East Ocala FL.

Present: President Gena De Camella, Vice President Mark Cooper, Secretary Karen Reade, Treasurer Merry Lee Bain.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

The meeting minutes from August was approved. The Board meeting in September was cancelled due to lack of quorum available.

President's Report: President De Camella discussed the meeting of board members to form a budget. Treasurer Bain explained that ultimately, we have been breaking even each year. Since membership has been decreasing, and costs have been going up, we do not have much left for improvements. President De Camella suggested that we try to increase membership. She said that we have been experiencing a 20% drop in membership, but due to the dues increase, we have not lost that much in income. Discussion on cutting costs focused on lighting costs, and the Waste Pro expense, but both were seen as necessary to the members.

Committee Reports:

Control: Robert Zachery reported that, after his reporting it, the dumpster issue was resolved by the county. The dumpster was moved to private land instead of the swale.

Decorations: No report.

Website: No report.

Membership: Patricia Wagner reported that we have 178 members, which is declining from previous years. She and her team are calling people to encourage membership. She also suggested that she send an invitation E-card from the Jacquie Lawson website to encourage members to come back. That was approved by the Board. She said that she wanted to enter email addresses to also send birthday or anniversary cards, to promote membership.

She also volunteered to do a talk on holiday stress relief for the General Association Meeting. This was approved by the Board.

Refreshment: Chris Banks reported that they will provide water for the Birthday Bash this weekend. They need some input for the needs for the coming activities.

Newsletter: Dale Kennedy asked if the newsletter could be printed on colorful paper, so as to stand out in the tubes, and Gena De Camella said she would check on that.

Activities: Vacant

Sunshine: No report.

Welcome: Dale Kennedy reported that she had no new residents.

Maintenance: Ian Reade reported that he has done signs for the events, and picked up litter. He reported that the lights at the front entrance are having issues again, and it would be expensive to invest in more repairs. President De Camella said she would investigate other lighting available, and Vice President Cooper said he would look into a cheaper electrician to use.

Vice President's Report: Vice President Cooper reported he will organize a park clean up before the coming activities. Sunday October 26, 8:00 a.m. was decided.

Secretary's Report: Secretary Reade reported that she has done the minutes, and that she reported the street light at the Meadow Wood Drive entrance to SECO for repair, and attended the budget meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Bain reported working on the membership, and the budget. We need to clear out the old Truist account, so President De Camella and Former Treasurer Reade will join her to go the Truist. We have \$29,900.00 in the bank accounts. President De Camella suggested that we save about \$5000 in a CD at the 4% rate offered by the Credit Union, and save the rest for general expenses. The Board voted to do that. Treasurer Bain said she would post the Balance Sheet and P & L on the website.

Old Business: President De Camella will be asking the General Membership at the meeting for direction for the future.

Next Meetings:

Executive Board Meeting: November 4

General Association: November 12

Events: October 17 Trivia October 18 Birthday Bash October 30 Bingo

October 23 Equestrian Club October 31 Trunk & Treat November 1 Car Show

November 8 Veterans Day Bar-B-Que

President Gena De Camella

Secretary Karen Reade