

Needles from the PINES

April / May 2022

Newsletter of the Winter Park Pines Community Association, Inc.

Celebrating 60 Years



WINTER PARK PINES ASSOCIATION!

The next meetings will be on April 13, 2022 and May 11, 2022.

Winter Park Pines Association meetings are held monthly on the 2nd Wednesday at 7:30 PM. All residents are invited to attend.

Due to Covid-19 all meetings are held via Zoom until further notice. If you would like to attend, please send an email with your name and address for the Zoom link to wppcapresident@gmail.com

You can get all your WP Pines news and information in FULL COLOR on Nextdoor, the Winter Park Pines Facebook page and at www.winterparkpines.com.

MISSION STATEMENT

THE WINTER PARK PINES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC. (WPPCA) is a not-for-profit corporation organized in 1962 for the residents of the Winter Park PINES subdivision in northeast Orange County. It is a totally volunteer association established to inform the residents of the 901 homes and enhance the value of living in the PINES.

WPPCA has as its mission the support of its residents through ongoing enhancement programs. These programs are accomplished through active interaction with Orange County officials, agencies and information via its newsletter, Needles from the PINES.

WPPCA's purpose is to foster effective neighborhood relations and to forge a spirit of harmony throughout the PINES. The association accomplishes this purpose with the highest standards and professionalism and integrity.

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**SERVING THE
PINES COMMUNITY...**

Condolences: The Board would like to send sympathy cards to members who have lost someone dear. It is our hope that remembrance can offer comfort during difficult times. If you know of a deceased resident you would like us to remember, contact Denise Ertler by phone at 407-671-1823 or via email at deniseertler@gmail.com.

Friends and Neighbors: Do you need emergency help with odd jobs around the house and yard? Your WPPCA Board may be able to help you. We have the resources and contacts to make things happen. All requests for assistance will be considered on an individual basis. We cannot guarantee anything, we will give it a try! If you are interested in what can be done, please contact one of your Board members.

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Calling all writers.... We are always looking for articles to be published in the Needles. If you would like to write an article that would be of interest to your fellow residents please submit it to us. It could be on any topic of public interest or useful tips to share. Please send by the 10th of the month to the Needles Editor at deniseertler@gmail.com. If you have a suggestion of what you would like to see in the Needles also let us know.



**FROM ONE NEIGHBOR TO ANOTHER
A PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**



Peter H. Mason
WPPCA President

By now Spring has officially started! The leaves have almost stopped dropping off the trees, the temperatures are starting to rise and our weekly attention now changes to the grass which is starting to grow faster as we move into a new season in the Pines. It's the time to enjoy those walks on Cady Way, spruce up our yards and just take pleasure in the weather as it's not going to last forever!

We are lucky to live in such a well-established community close to many services and nature.

Just think...in 1962

- John Glenn becomes the first American to orbit the Earth in February of 1962.
- Cuban Missile Crisis when USSR plans to deploy Missiles in Cuba brings the world to the brink of world war.
- James Meredith becomes the first African-American student to enroll at the University of Mississippi.
- Marilyn Monroe serenades President Kennedy on his birthday.
- Marvel's Spider-Man superhero makes his first appearance in a comic.
- The first Wal-Mart discount store and the first K-mart stores are opened.
- The US Navy SEALs are created.
- Albert Sabin develops the Oral Polio Vaccine.

Over the past 60 years a lot has also happened in our community. The early days consisted of the planning and developing of the Pines. The WPPCA was formed in 1962 and folks stepped up to form an association. Over the years hundreds of residents have served as officers, committee members and just helped out. We continue to rely on our residents to keep the Pines vibrant and engaged by giving of their time and talent. In 1962 our voluntary association membership only cost \$6.00. Sixty years later membership still costs only \$50.00, although we have many residents that contribute at much higher levels. It is the commitment of our residents that pay their membership each year that keeps the WPPCA going.

On page seven (7) of this newsletter you will see an article about our 60th anniversary of the WPPCA organization. It is amazing to think our community has been around for that many years. For those early residents you will remember the early days of the Pines. For the younger residents, the community has been around before many of you were born! We have 2nd generation families (people whose parents lived here prior; some in the same homes) who still make the Pines their home! I hope that the younger and future residents will continue to step up and continue to keep the association going for another 60 years.

Thank you for being a part of our energetic community. I look forward to continuing to serve the Pines and look forward to your contribution of time & talent. Winter Park Pines is truly a special community with our 901 homes. Thank you to all who have made the Pines a wonderful place to live.

Winter Park Pines Flag Salutes



One of the many reasons Winter Park Pines is an exceptional place to live is because of the contributions our residents continuously make to assure the Pines is a beautiful and inviting place to live. We are recognized as a civic minded community; not only to our residents but to those who visit. With this in mind, the Winter Park Pines Community Association would like to thank two (2) people who have made such a difference.

Jennifer Weader and Leon Goodman, who live on S Ranger Blvd, heard of our need to replace the flagpole rope in our mall entrance. They stepped up on a weekend in February as volunteers to help. They took the initiative and creativity to come up with a solution to replace the association's flagpoles rope. With perseverance of trying several solutions which included renting a lift from Home Depot, that was fraught with obstacles of a flat tire and a dead battery, they prevailed in replacing the flagpole rope. This was all at no cost to the association.

It is good to see the new rope and the flags flying proudly in the wind once again. We thank them for their time and support of our Pines community.



The best way to give back to your community is by volunteering. Please consider volunteering your time and knowledge in helping to maintain a solid and caring Winter Park Pines Association.

Open positions we need to fill in 2022

- 1st Vice President: Cover when the president is unavailable and work on special projects.
- Secretary: Must be able to attend monthly meetings and take minutes, working with the President.
- Facebook Chair: Post WPPCA information on Facebook and monitor postings.
- Nextdoor Chair: Post WPPCA information on Nextdoor and monitor postings.
- Website Chair: Oversee updates to the association website
- Director positions: Be a general director on the board working on committees of interest.
- Committee members: Work on a committee without being a director on the board.
- Ad hoc project volunteers: Assist in one-off projects from time to time

If you have any questions or interest in volunteering please contact Peter Mason at: wppcapresident@gmail.com or call at 407-671-0785.

Safety in the Pines

Since 2018 the Pines had been fortunate enough to become involved with the Orange County Sheriff's department to implement the Citizens on Patrol program to benefit our community. Prior to COP, the association was paying to have an officer patrol our streets eventually costing the association \$50 per hour. Until April 2019, the off-duty OCSO was paid to patrol 16 hours per month, costing the WPPCA \$9,600 per year in expenses. Thanks to the volunteer efforts of David and Janell Ray, Fran Frataccia and Jack Lokken, for a time the program worked. The COP was a beneficial program to the Pines. The key word being "was." Unfortunately, the program has come to an end.

With no Citizen on Patrol program and not having an off-duty OCSO to patrol at this time it is now more important for each resident to be extra vigilant as to what is happening in your neighborhood.

- Make a point of know your neighbors. Put together a contact list of each resident on your street. This is a great way start you own "Neighborhood Watch."
- Be aware of the crimes that are happening in the Pines. www.spotcrime.com will you keep you updated as what is happening in our area. Make a point of knowing
- If you see what you believe to be a code violation call 311.

Thanks go to the volunteers that made the Citizens on Patrol work. If we all do our part in being observant and conscientious the Pines will continue to be a great place to live.

If You Wish to Donate...

Our hearts go out to the people in Ukraine as they face the destruction of their homeland. The tensions and fighting continue to rise between Ukraine and Russia with more than 2 million refugees traveling into surrounding countries.

People from all over the world are making donations, matching donations and donating supplies to provide comfort, humanitarian emergency supplies and hope to many.

If you wish to donate, ensure you're donating to a legitimate organization. Make sure that the organizations and charities to which you wish to donate are doing work directly in or around Ukraine or are working with reputable organizations on the ground.

Here are a couple suggestions to make sure the organization you may be donating to are on the up and up...

- Do research first. Make sure the charity you have in mind has no charges or complaints against them.
- Go directly to the charity's website and donate there.
- Cross-check the organization with lists from watchdog groups, such as [CharityWatch](#), [CharityNavigator](#), and [Wise Giving Alliance](#). Charities that receive "A" ratings are safe.
- Don't make the mistake of donating with debit cards. Credit cards should be the only way to donate, as they provide a paper trail.
- The Federal Trade Commission [recommends](#) consumers check the organization with an on-line search using words such as "review", "compliant" or "scam" in addition to the name of the nonprofit or organization.
- Donation requests from charities you don't recognize that claim you are a past contributing member should raise red flags.

Below are verified charity websites:

www.news.yahoo.com/5-verified-charities-working-help-185109710.html

www.mission823.com/

www.globalempowermentmission.org/mission/ukraine-crisis/

www.wck.org/

www.americares.org/

www.ukraine.who.foundation/

www.unrefugees.org/

www.savethechildren.org/us/where-we-work/ukraine

reference website:

www.fortune.com/2022/03/07/how-to-donate-avoid-scams-charities-ukraine-crisis/

Mall Wall & Sign Update (April 2022)

By Ben Taylor

Update Recap: In the February/March Needles I published and update on the status of our mall wall & sign. As reported in each of the monthly board meeting minutes, I have been giving updates on the progress monthly. I wanted to publish another update for the Needles which is below.

Timeline of Events:

- **February 2022** – Creative Signs has started the permitting process. Since the last time we replaced the sign the county has changed the permitting procedures and we need a Right of Way Use Permit due to the location of the wall. According to Orange County to get that permit we also may need a Maintenance of Traffic Permit. We have provided Creative signs some old site surveys that they are using in the permitting process.

Summary: We have navigated a lot of hoops so far including settling the insurance claim with the help of an attorney and chasing & selecting a vendor. We selected Matt DiSalvatore with Creative Signs, Inc. and they have been very responsive with us. Now we move to the governmental stage of permitting. I wanted to thank all residents for your patience as the WPPCA undertakes this long and complicated process. We hope the permitting process moves along quickly and we don't get bogged down in red tape but we are still in the early stages of that.



Are You A WPPCA Member?

Your contribution helps in every way to make Winter Park Pines one of the finest communities to live in. Below are some of the services and privileges we can continue providing when you pay your membership!

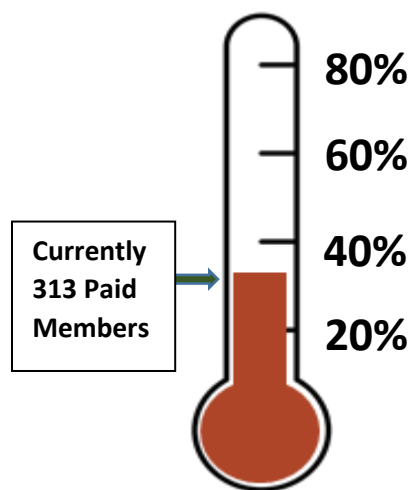
Service and Benefits

- Landscaping costs for the main PINES entrance on Aloma Avenue (the Mall).
- Maintenance of our neighborhood entry markers on Banchory, Cady Way, Scarlet and South Ranger.
- Publication of the “Needles from the PINES” newsletter for communication and information.
- Recognize deserving Yard of the Month and Holiday Decorations Awards.
- Management and hosting of association website.
- Special events & gatherings to promote the PINES spirit of community.
- Application for grants from Orange County and other agencies to enhance the Pines.
- Voting privileges at the membership meeting to elect officers & directors, approve budgets and other community actions.
- Ensure the association has emergency funds for unplanned expenses.

The 2022 Membership Drive has Begun!

Support your Winter Park Pines Community Today!

Goal: 901 Homes



As of 3/09/2022

Winter Park Pines Community Association, Inc. 2022 Membership Form

Member(s) Name(s): _____ Email: _____

Street Address: _____ Phone # _____

Year Moved to the Pines: _____ Veteran? Y/N _____ Would you like to volunteer? Y/N _____

Membership Level: (Circle one): Standard: \$50 Bronze: \$60 Silver: \$80 Gold: \$100 Platinum: \$250+

Payment Methods

Pay on our website: www.winterparkpines.com

Mail check to : WPPCA – P.O. Box 5357 Winter Park, F 32793

Use the square option of your choice (below), then please email wppcamembership@gmail.com to confirm credit.



Standard \$50



Bronze \$60



Silver \$80



Gold \$100



Platinum \$250

Happy 60th Birthday WPPCA!

By Peter H. Mason, President

The WPPCA has reached a new milestone and birthday. The WPPCA turns 60 years old on May 16, 2022. Wow we have grown since 1962! In 1962, our “not-for-profit corporation”, organized & incorporated under the laws of the State of FL and the FL Secretary of State signed the charter officially establishing the Winter Park Pines Community Association, Inc.

The Winter Pines Golf Club didn't open until 1968. In the 1970's the Needles was published ten (10) times a year. The board met ten (10) times a year, on the 2nd Monday each month. Board Committees in the early 70's included the Budget, Membership, Publications, Beautification (Lawn of the Month), Landscape, Spring Dance, PR, County Contacts, By-Laws & Parliamentarian and Christmas Decorations. In 1974 there was a Bicycle Committee working on the new Cady Way bike path. There was a Hawaiian Dance Night at the Maitland Civic Center in 1975 at \$7.50 per person. In 1975 there was a Bi-Centennial Essay Contest. In 1981 the Orange County Homeowners Association was formed. In 2002 we had 604 paid members, our highest membership year ever! It would be great to get back to those participation levels!

But what hasn't changed over the past sixty (60) years is the dedication of so many Pines residents. A dedicated group in 1962 organized our association to insure we were a planned community to thrive for many decades to come. Since then, hundreds have volunteered their time and talent to keep us a preferred place to live in Central Florida.

I wanted to thank those that served before me and kept this organization going strong. Listed below are the presidents who have led the organization and served our community, some of which still live in the Pines and continue to be involved.

WPPCA Presidents					
President #	Names	Years Served	President #	Names	Years Served
1	Robert Carlson	1962			
2		1963	22	Joe Kaiser	1979/1980, 1980/1981
3		1964	23 & 24	Oran V. Fisher & Tommy L. Cullens	1981/1982
4		1965	24	Tommy L. Cullens	1982/1983
5		1966	25	Marcus R. Michles	1983/1984, 1984/1985
6	Charles Richards	1967	26	Robert "Bob" H. Eicher	1985/1986, 1986/1987, 1987/1988
7	Edward DeGarmo	1968	27	Sivia Holt Thorton	1988/1989, 1989/1990, 1990/1991
8	Robert Rouch	1969	28	Thomas D. Marks	1991/1992, 1992/1993, 1993/1994
9	Warren Opitz	1970	29	David Talbert	1994/1995, 1995/1996, 1996/1997, 1997/1998, 1998/1999, 1999/2000, 2000/2001, 2001/2002
10 & 11	Robert Tomcavage & Tom Aglio	1971	30	Tamatha Anthony	2002/2003, 2003/2004
12	Edward Griffin	1972	31	David Talbert	2004/2005
13	Russell Thiesen	1973	32	Dr. Ricardo C. Carrasco	2005/2006, 2006/2007
14	David Myers	1973/1974	33	Phil Keller	2007/2008
15	Jim Houtenville	1974/1975	34	Dr. David R. Ray	2008/2009, 2009/2010, 2010/2011, 2011/2012
16	Tom Utegaard	1975/1976	35	Cliff Booth	2012/2013, 2013/2014, 2014/2015
17	Art Kelly	1976/1977	36	Janell Ray	2015/2016, 2016/2017, 2017/2018
18 & 19	Diana Monaghan & Malcom Bell	1977/1978	37	William "Ben" Taylor	2018/2019, 2019/2020
20 & 21	Jim Buchanan & Joe Ray	1978/1979	38	Peter H. Mason	2020/2021, 2021/2022

Whether you are a newer resident or “old timer” you will recognize names on this list. We are missing the president's names from the mid-sixties, so for you “old timers” let me know who they were! We look forward to the next 60 years!

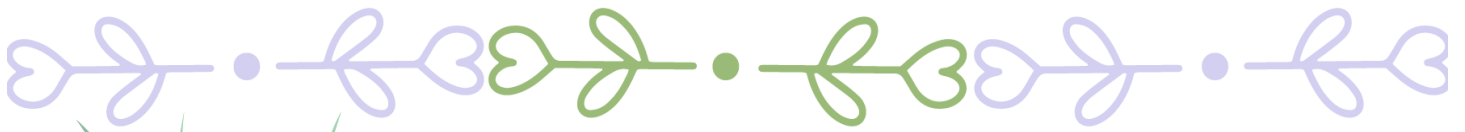
Yard of the Month Is Back!

It's that time of year! As our temperatures rise and the oaks shed their leaves our yards will demand our attention once again. April is when the Yard of the Month program emerges from hibernation. Paid WPPCA members have an opportunity to not only show off their beautiful yards but also be recognized and earn a prize. There are three winners, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. With their permission, each winner will have a Yard of the Month sign placed in their yard and picture published in the Needles. This will allow the rest of our great neighbors to know what it takes to win every month. Winners will receive a letter from the WPPCA along with a monetary prize.

The following criteria is required to be recognized as a winner:

1. Must be current paid WPPCA member
2. Must not have won in the past two years
3. Property must be maintained free of weeds
4. Lawn full, mowed, and a nice shade of green
5. Curb line and sidewalk edged
6. Plants and shrubs maintained
7. A level of uniqueness that catches the eye
8. Trash cans are not visible with the exception of the day before and day of pickup

Please encourage your neighbors to be a paid WPPCA member. Yard of the Month is just one of many benefits to paying modest annual dues. If anyone would like to nominate a Yard of the Month candidate please email wwpca.yard@gmail.com.



LOCAL EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

April and May



April 1st
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Leu Gardens is hosting a movie night featuring "How To Train Your Dragon"! This is an outdoor event, so be sure to pack a picnic and some blankets and chairs for a fun evening. Tickets are \$7 per adult, \$5 per child (ages 4-17) and free for children 3 years old and under. Tickets will go on sale on March 28th on www.leugardens.org.

April 2nd
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

The iconic "Dinner on the Avenue" is back after having been postponed for 2 years! This event is hosted by the City of Winter Park. Park Avenue shuts down to set up tables for this fun dinner party. Tables can be purchased by individuals, group, companies - whoever! Invite those you wish to dine with, select a theme and decide whether you want to dine with a caterer or potluck style. There will be awards given out to winners in various categories including most elegant, most original, most colorful and more! For more information call 407-599-3342 or visit www.cityofwinterpark.org.

April 2nd - April 3rd
10:00 am - 5:00 pm

The Spring "Fiesta in the Park" is celebrating its 33rd year! This tradition showcases the beauty of springtime at Lake Eola. Come to the heart of downtown to experience a weekends filled with amazing arts and crafts, delicious food and live entertainment!

April 23rd
10:00 am - 3:00 pm

The Central Florida Zoo is celebrating Earth Day with interactive activities, games, and crafts for the whole family! Come on by for a fun day with the diverse wildlife at the zoo. More information can be found at www.centralfloridazoo.org/event/partyfortheplanet/.

May 8th
9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Leu Gardens is celebrating Mother's Day with free admission for Moms! Stroll the gardens and enjoy a relaxing day Moms - you deserve it!

May 12th
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

The City of Winter Park is hosting a Popcorn Flick in the Park that will feature a classic film for the whole family. This is a FREE outdoor so be sure to bring a picnic, blanket or chairs and enjoy a fun evening. The movie title for this event has not yet been released, but you can learn more under the "events" tab at www.cityofwinterpark.org.

Month of April -
Month of May

Disney's EPCOT is hosting their annual "International Flower & Garden Festival" throughout April and May. This festival features spectacular topiary displays of beloved Disney characters curated by Disney horticulturists. There will also be new food and drink spots with special items during the festival and Global Gardens that display popular plants from around the world like the Japanese bonsai tree and more! Visit www.disneyworld.disney.go for more information and to purchase tickets.

2022 Needles Sponsors

Melissa Johnson - Florida Living



Florida living is just different. It may seem like everywhere says that, but there is something about Florida that is just unique. One of our Needles sponsors can help introduce Florida living to us all, and even if you've been here a while you may discover some new or hidden gems. Melissa Johnson operates *Florida Living with Melissa*. She runs this local lifestyle brand on top of her work as a real estate agent. She has lived in the Pines for almost 25 years and tells about the great sense of belonging found here in our neighborhood. People "genuinely care about our neighborhood and the wellbeing of the residents who live within it." (We totally agree.)

"Florida Living with Melissa", is about sharing all that Central Florida has to offer from local events and restaurants to outdoor activities and places to shop. Melissa tells about the joy that is found in helping someone grow their business, engage with their community or finding a place to call home. Melissa is a former teacher and tells how, in the same way she wanted her students to find their gifts; she wants all of us to find the gifts within our communities. She wants people to find all the great things that Central Florida has to offer.

If you'd like more information about Florida Living with Melissa, feel free to visit her website www.floridalivingwithmelissa.com. You can also find her Facebook and Instagram at [FloridaLivingwithMelissa](#). (Some of the food pics on her Instagram look so good. Seriously, go check them out and give her a follow.)

Michelle Deleon – Zen Living Realty

I was born in NYC, moved to California as an infant and spent most of my childhood in the San Luis Obispo area. I received a bachelor's degree in Communications from CSU Monterey Bay and my corporate career included roles in Human Resources and Management for Fortune 500 companies. These positions have led me to relocate 3 times; to Portland, Oregon, a 2-year assignment in Berlin, Germany, and to Orlando. In 2016, I met my husband, Art. Early in our courtship, he was looking to sell his home and purchase a new house, so of course I went with him to "approve" his purchase in Winter Park Pines, which is the perfect neighborhood for us! We got married in 2017 and in October of 2019, we welcomed our son Raymond (we call him Ray) to the world. I left the corporate world and am now a full-time Realtor for Zen Living Realty, a boutique real estate firm. Investing in real estate personally and helping friends buy and sell homes has always been a passion of mine. I feel fortunate to have been able to turn my hobby into my career! I've been on the WPPCA board for about a year now and I chair both the Welcome Committee and Membership Committee. I really enjoy meeting my neighbors and being active in our neighborhood. I love traveling, cooking, entertaining, wine tasting, and craft brews (especially sours) and yoga. You will likely see me riding my bike on Cady Way Trail down and around Baldwin Lake, walking the Golfside loop, or at Cady Way Playground or Ward Park with Ray.

WPPCA – Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

February 9, 2022 @ 7:30pm via zoom

Note: These are a condensed version of the meeting minutes. For full minutes please go to www.winterparkpines.com

Directors in attendance: Peter Mason (President), Denise Ertler (2nd VP), Michelle Deleon, Fran Frataccia, Ben Taylor, Amy Turner;

Directors absent: Chris Hyma (Treasurer), Brent Ludlow; **WPPCA Committee Members in attendance:** None; **WPPCA Members in attendance:** None;

WPPCA Non-Members in attendance: None; **Guests in attendance:** None

Meeting called to order by WPPCA President, Peter Mason at 7:36 pm. A quorum was present. The president welcomed everyone and thanked them for taking the time out of their busy schedules to attend the Board of Directors Regular Monthly Meeting.

Officer Reports: President: Peter Mason thanked everyone for all the volunteer work everyone does on behalf of the organization. Peter continues to follow up on 13 members that have indicated that they wanted to volunteer, but most have not responded. Peter said to send him any volunteer leads. Peter sent letters to 40 Gold & 3 Platinum Members thanking them. Peter had no residents contact him this past month. Regarding the OC Sustainable Communities Grant to replace entrance lights, Peter sent an email to all directors, committee members and ad hoc project volunteers plus we have a solicitation in the February/March Needles looking for volunteers. So far Steven D'Amico, Denise Ertler, Russell Trahan and Amy Turner have signed up. We need more people to be able to apply for the grant. If anyone else wants to join the grant team please let Peter know. **Motion:** Denise Ertler moved to submit an Orange County Sustainable Communities Grant application to replace the lights on our 4 entrance columns and replace missing and burned out lights at our mall entrance. Fran Frataccia seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with no abstentions. **Secretary:** As interim secretary, Peter Mason reported that the motion to approve WPPCA Board of Directors Regular Monthly Meeting minutes of 1/12/22 were unanimously approved via email vote with abstentions from Amy Turner, Ben Taylor and Chris Hyma. Peter said we are still looking for a secretary and to send him any leads.

Treasurer: Chris Hyma was not able to make the meeting so Peter reported. January 2022 total budgeted income is \$18,945. The mall wall reconstruction cost of \$8,174 may be capitalized and hit the balance sheet. Net ordinary income was \$10,442. **Motion:** Ben Taylor moved to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Amy Turner seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with no abstentions. Peter also reported the deposit for Creative Signs deposit for \$8,174 was sent and the check was cashed. 5 total Needles Sponsors have paid. Our checking account balance is \$14k and our savings account balance is \$39k as of January 31st. Peter further reported we are still looking for a laptop for association use.

1st Vice President: There was no report since the position is open. **2nd**

Vice President: Denise Ertler did not have anything to report as the 2nd VP.

Committee Reports: Citizens on Patrol: Jack Lokken did not attend the meeting nor send anything to report. Peter said he has reached out to Jack multiple times on the COP status, but has not heard back from him. Much discussion ensued with the consensus that the program is no longer active.

Code Enforcement: Fran Frataccia reported 3 incident including a trailer in the street and 2 burglaries. **Events:** Amy Turner reported that the Community Garage Sale is coming up on Saturday March 26th from 9 am - 1 pm. Amy also talked about the need for more signs with the cost for 25 new signs of \$390.55 for which we have \$300

budgeted. The board did not have any objection for Amy to buy the new signs.

Facebook: Jessica Hazzard did not attend the meeting nor send anything to report. Peter said we are still looking for a full time Facebook Chair Lead as Jessica is only temporarily doing it. Peter said if anyone has any Facebook leads to pass them on to Peter for follow-up. **Mall Maintenance:** Fran Frataccia reported that the dead plants due to the freeze were removed. Chris Rudolph with Power Factor replaced the 30 amp single pole breaker that was bad in island #3. Fran said that the sprinkler heads will be checked for \$200. Peter said that Daniel the electrician can't drill out the screws in the burned out lights and recommends we replace the fixtures so we will include this in the grant to replace entrance lights. Ben said that Tom would be taking down his sign frame once construction commences.

Membership: Michelle Deleon reported that Membership dollars are \$17,395, # of members are 288 and % of homes paid are 32.0%. Michelle said that 500 postcards were mailed to homes that had not paid yet and are arriving this week. There were another 142 addresses that did not work with VistaPrint that Michelle will resolve and maybe we will just hand write in those addresses. Michelle will have Melissa Johnson help compose the next campaign that is scheduled for March. Peter said we have 76 more members or 36% more than same time last year.

Needles: Denise Ertler reported that the February/March Needles was at the new printer, Aloma Printing. The printing schedule is much longer than the old printer. The Needles has been posted on the website and Nextdoor already. He now have a 6th sponsor. Peter said we need more sponsors.

New Neighbor Welcome: Michelle Deleon reported that she gave Denise the names of new neighbors for the February/March Needles. She said Laurie Davis came up with cards to leave at houses if no one is home and has been awesome about following up with homes multiple times. **Nextdoor:** Ben Taylor said he had nothing to report. Peter said we are still looking for a full time Nextdoor Chair Lead as Ben is only temporarily doing it. Peter said if anyone has any Nextdoor leads to pass them on to Peter for follow-up.

Website: Peter Mason reported that Kim Ludlow was not able to attend the meeting but continues to work on the website updates.

Yard of the Month: Peter Mason reported that Brent Ludlow was not able to attend the meeting and Brent said he did not have anything to report.

Old Business: Mall Wall & Sign Update: Ben Taylor reported that an update article was put in the February/March Needles that Peter helped to create. Ben said he received a call on February 9th from Matt DiSalvatore with Creative Signs regarding the permitting process which has changed and gotten much more complicated. Peter pulled some old site plans and layouts from the archives that Matt can use in the permitting process.

New Business: Next Meeting: Peter said that the next meeting is a Board of Directors Regular Monthly Meeting that will be held on Wednesday, March 9th at 7:30 PM @ via Zoom. If any Pines residents want to join any meeting they can, they simply need to send Peter an email with their address and he will send them the zoom link.

Closing: Peter thanked everyone for taking the time to attend and contributing to the Board of Directors Regular Monthly Meeting.

Motion: Ben Taylor moved to adjourn the meeting. Amy Turner seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with no abstentions. Peter Mason adjourned the meeting at 8:35 pm.

WPPCA – Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

March 8, 2022 @ 7:30pm via zoom

Note: These are a condensed version of the meeting minutes. For full minutes please go to www.winterparkpines.com

Directors in attendance: Peter Mason (President), Denise Ertler (2nd VP), Chris Hyma (Treasurer), Michelle Deleon, Fran Frataccia, Brent Ludlow, Amy Turner; **Directors absent:** Ben Taylor; **WPPCA Committee Members in attendance:** Kim Ludlow, Laurie Davis; **WPPCA Members in attendance:** None; **WPPCA Non-Members in attendance:** None; **Guests in attendance:** None

Meeting called to order by WPPCA President, Peter Mason at 7:34 pm. A quorum was present. The president welcomed everyone and thanked them for taking the time out of their busy schedules to attend the Board of Directors Regular Monthly Meeting.

Officer Reports: President: Peter Mason thanked everyone for all the volunteer work everyone does on behalf of the organization. Peter has not received any new volunteers from the initial responses of 13 that raised their hands. Out of those 13 only 3 have responded to his inquiries and Peter won't pursue the others anymore. Peter did have one new person reach out from our Needles ad that had interest in the Facebook chair so Peter is waiting for them to respond to him. Peter said to send him any volunteer leads. Peter has sent letters to 46 Gold Members and 3 Platinum Members thanking them. Peter had no residents contact him this past month. Regarding the OC Sustainable Communities Grant to replace entrance lights so far Steven D'Amico, Denise Ertler, Russell Trahan, Amy Turner, Jessica Hazzard, Bob Reed and Wes Hodge have volunteered.

Secretary: As the interim secretary, Peter Mason reported that the motion to approve WPPCA Board of Directors Regular Monthly Meeting minutes of February 9, 2022 were unanimously approved via email vote with abstentions from Brent Ludlow and Chris Hyma. Peter said we are still looking for a secretary and to send him any leads.

Treasurer: Chris Hyma reported on the February 2022 P&L. Needles sponsorships YTD is \$1,800. Memberships YTD is \$19,225. Miscellaneous income is for estoppels at \$50 each. Expenses were very standard including mall electrical, a flag and Needles costs. Total expenses for February were \$1,930. Chris said that the previous expense of \$8k for the wall deposit has been moved from the P&L to the Balance Sheet and will be a depreciated expense for a 10 year period of time. **Motion:** Denise Ertler moved to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Amy Turner seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with no abstentions. Chris said that he will be working on reconciling the membership list for Michelle's next flyer. Chris bought a personal computer himself so he will now be able to get QuickBooks up and running. Chris also reported the bank balances ending February 28th with the checking account at \$7,844.01 and the savings account at \$39,174.04.

1st Vice President: There was no report since the position is open.

2nd Vice President: Denise Ertler did not have anything to report as the 2nd VP.

Committee Reports: Code Enforcement: Fran Frataccia reported 7 incidents including petit theft, theft/fraud, 2 stolen vehicles, flood lights shining in neighbor's backyards, trailer in the street and potholes reported. **Events:** Amy Turner reported that the Community Garage Sale is coming up on Saturday, March 26th from 9 am - 1 pm. She has 13 homes registered. She will continue to promote the event. Amy also said Goodwill and a shredder truck will

be at the Winter Park Golf Course during and after the event for residents. Amy has picked up the new yard sale signs.

Facebook: Jessica Hazzard did not attend the meeting nor send anything to report. Peter said we are still looking for a full time Facebook Chair Lead as Jessica is only temporarily doing it. Peter said if anyone has any Facebook leads to pass them on to him.

Mall Maintenance: Fran Frataccia reported that we had the flagpole rope problems and she got a quote for \$1,500 to fix it. Paul Oleson looked at it and Jennifer Weader and Leon Goodman ended up fixing it and supplying the new rope. Peter added that Jennifer and Leon really stepped up as volunteers by fixing the rope.

Membership: Michelle Deleon reported that the Membership dollars are \$19,225, # of members are 313 and % of homes paid are 34.7%. Michelle said that Melissa Johnson is drafting the next print campaign which may be a door hanger for unpaid residents.

Needles: Denise Ertler reported that the last issue was good, she liked the new printer, the quality of the paper was good, the ink was sharp and pictures were good. Discussion ensued about listing community police incidents even though they are listed in the minutes. Peter said we need more sponsorships for the 2022 Needles.

New Neighbor Welcome: Michelle Deleon reported Laurie Davis has been out knocking on doors. **Nextdoor:** Ben Taylor was not able to join the meeting nor did he have any Nextdoor updates. Peter said we are still looking for a full time Nextdoor Chair Lead as Ben is only temporarily doing it. Peter said if anyone has any Nextdoor leads to pass them on to Peter for follow-up.

Website: Kim Ludlow reported that she has been doing updates to the website, loading newsletters and she is also exploring the implementation of an APP which is in the design stage through our website editor Wix.

Yard of the Month: Brent Ludlow reported that he will be making rounds in the next few weeks for the program re-start in April. Brent has also been working on gift cards. Denise will be working with Brent on door hangers for non-members with good yards.

Old Business: Mall Wall & Sign Update: Ben Taylor was not able to attend the meeting but reported that he has delivered a survey to Creative Signs for them to submit to Orange County but it was unclear what was needed for permitting. They are still working through that permit process.

New Business: Next Meeting: Peter said that the next meeting is a Board of Directors Regular Monthly Meeting that will be held on Wednesday, April 13th at 7:30 PM @ via Zoom. If any Pines residents want to join any meeting they can, they simply need to send Peter an email with their address and he will send them the zoom link.

Closing: Peter thanked everyone for taking the time to attend and contributing to the Board of Directors Regular Monthly Meeting. **Motion:** Michelle Deleon moved to adjourn the meeting. Denise Ertler seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with no abstentions. Peter Mason adjourned the meeting at 8:27 pm.



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