

The May 18, 2023, meeting of the Rainbow Lakes Advisory Committee was called to order by Chairman Dallas Seveland. Other committee members present were Paula Gawlik, Gary Levit, Allen McKay, George Shaver. Katherine Bryant and Dan Wilshusen were absent. Guests present were Matthew Leibfried, MSTU Director and Lt. Osbourne. There were 8 people in attendance. The meeting was opened with invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item Public Comment (1):

Approval of Minutes (2A) April 21, 2022:

Motion made by McKay, seconded by Levit to accept minutes April 20, 2023 (2A). Motion carried.

Committee Reports (3):

Building & Grounds: Levit asked if the mowing season has started? White responded yes mowing has started. Levit asked how do you determine which roads are done? White responded we have a set pattern starting with RLE Blvd and Beach Blvd. Then mow north and south roads.

Code: Shaver stated that there is nothing at this time.

Levy County: Nothing to report

Public Safety: McKay stated he is on citizen crime watch and encourage others to apply. You can apply through the website. Its free, volunteer. McKay asked where are the speed limits in RLE? LT. Osbourne responded 30mph if not posted. McKay stated for traffic complaints go to the website, its free but they ask for name and address. McKay asking for more speed limit signs around RLE.

Recreation: Gawlik stated domino club meet on Friday at 7:00pm in the clubhouse. Fiber craft club meet second and fourth Saturday of each month at the creative art center from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. Women's community club not sure on dates. Garden club meeting on 6/15/2023 at 1:30pm. Poker club needed more players for Monday. Pickleball club meets on Monday and Thursday's at 8:00am and have 8 to 10 players meet at Seacliff Park. Kickboxing to be determined. Fishing Club has three (3) people come to the tournament not a lot are showing up. Fishing club members concerned for paying \$10.00 for every tournament fee, if they already paid club fees. Spicuzza stated that fishing club fees in one-time fee to the club. If new member they must pay the one-time fee. Discussion followed. Gawlik stated Youth Center starts May 29 thru August 4. Plant swap June 20th at 6:00pm at the community center.

Roads: Nothing to report

Committees/Guests (4):

Lt. Osbourne MCSO – Reported things look good in RLE. March/April/ May look good. Lowest crime rate in the county. April had two (2) car burglaries. No theft reports. Report traffic or crime go to Marion County MSCO website. Anthony Harding offered his driveway at 22276 Beach Blvd for patrol to sit at. Levit questioned about the Dunnellon Police department. Lt. Osbourne response 8 resigned from Dunnellon. Dunnellon is hiring. Marion County hired seven (7) in May and they will be released for solo patrol soon. It takes time for training.

Matthew Leibfried MTSU Director – Follow up on how large RLE area is. Marion county has ten thousand nine hundred and eighty, (10,980) parcels; one thousand five hundred and eighty- eight (1,588) parcels in Levy county area. There is a total of twelve thousand five hundred and sixty-eight (12,568) parcels. Sixty thousand (60,000) residents in the city of Ocala. RLE is a small city.

Consent (5): None

Old Business (6):

Levy County Ordinance 2022-21 (6A) – Wilshusen absent.

New Business/Board Items (7):

Seveland reported that Sanctuary to the Maxx had been operating under the radar for the longest time. They have been reported in the past. The animals are receiving minimum care according to Animal Control. They are a non- profit and accept donations. Discussion followed. Leibfried to discuss with Animal Control and Code Enforcement.

Seveland stated that he wanted to discuss the names of RLE Parks. It will be on the next meeting agenda. Would like to name the ballfield at Sea Cliff Park after George Pugliese who was on the Board for years. Discussion followed. Motion made by McKay, seconded by Shaver to name the ballfield George Pugliese Field at Sea Cliff Community Park. Motion carried.

General Public Comment (8):

Debbie Little – Grandview Ave. – Stated that Sanctuary to the Maxx had only cats that were well taken care of. Now at last count there were 10 cages with dogs in them. Their website states that they have a hook worm problem. Doesn't know where to turn. Leibfried responded that he will get clear direction from the Dept. that works with that. Little stated that hook worm is dangerous to humans. Discussion followed.

Marci McKay – Bluegill – Questioned if Fiber Craft Club could use a cabinet. Spicuzza responded that the cabinets were to be removed but they could use a shelf. Discussion followed.

Barbara Ellison – Marine Blvd. – Stated that speeders are bad on that street. Discussion followed.

Seveland stated that there needed to be a tour of the buildings for the Advisory Board. Discussion followed.

Announcement (9):

Seveland announced the next meetings June 22, 2023 at 2:00pm in the Community Center; July 20, 2023 6:30pm in the Community Center. The August 17, 2023 meeting has been cancelled.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.