

Crescent Lake Neighborhood Watch Meeting Minutes

September 12, 2011

Rebecca Cook, president – called meeting to order at 6:02 PM

Sarah Pius, secretary – read last month's meeting minutes

Guest Speaker – Wilson Robertson, County Commissioner District 1

He will come as often as needed, please invite, especially if county issues aren't being resolved.

- Discussed Clean Sweep – coordinate through county commissioner office: 595-4910
- Discussed Burrow Pits (?) – new ordinance to regulate them to help prevent contaminates from spreading into Crescent Lake
- 7,000 calls per year through Code Enforcement Office – they write citations but it takes years for a cease and desist to occur
- Road Issues – he will drive through neighborhood to look for pot holes and drainage issues (L.O.S.T. – extra penny tax to county pays for these items)
- Vacant houses – can take time but will clean them up or tear them down
- ECUA will do one free bulk pick up per month
- Easement that is owned by Gulf Power is constantly over grown – Call and report it
- If you don't want to give you name when you call Code Enforcement call the commissioner's office and they will turn in the report.
- Per David Craig the county noise ordinance is from 10:00 pm to 7:00 am

Sarah Pius, Treasurer – read Treasury Report

- David Craig made motion to accept the report
- David Davis 2nd the motion

Old Business – Rebecca Cook, President

- Speed Bumps – will contact Traffic Division
- Code Enforcement – will contact about coming to talk at future meeting
- Home Invasion
- Narcotics Division – Jackie emailed lieutenant at Sheriff's office to line up speaker
 - David Craig recommended Heath Jackson for Narcotics Speaker

New Business – Rebecca Cook, President

- Discussed Phone # flyer – handed out to members
- Need to update phone and email list – passed out sign in sheet
- Talked about starting an email newsletter
- David Craig will request Narcotics Speaker for November meeting

- Need one person per street to report burnt out street lights to Gulf Power or Rebecca (group sign up sheet at front table)

Guest Speaker – David Craig, ECSO

- Growing Neighborhood Watch Groups
- Filling out form to join group in order to vote
- Discussed academy programs through ECSO
- Anonymous Reporting
- Noise Ordinance/Disorderly Conduct
- Speed Bumps not effective → contact traffic unit to send Radar Unit out
- Go to ECSO website to view Crime Maps
- Go to FDLE website to view Sexual Predators (can sign up for email notifications when a predator moves in)
- Home Invasions – only hear about 20% of them
- New program coming within 2 months – The WIN (Watch Information Now) Plan
- At each meeting we should discuss problems and crimes that are happening and send detailed email to David Craig with info: GCraig@escambiaco.com
- Reporting – people afraid to call in a report → Neighborhood Watch starting calling on suspicious activity – emergency calls to 911, non-emergency to ECSO Dispatch 436-9620 ***Give AS MUCH INFO AS POSSIBLE***Tell them you're with the Crescent Lake Neighborhood Watch Group***Ask for contact by phone*** **If you're thinking “should I call this in?” You should have already called!**
- Trespass Warning forms and signs available through the ECSO, see Rebecca or Jackie for more info

Announcements

- Next meeting Monday, October 10th

Rebecca Cook, president – closed meeting at 7:32 PM

11 people filled out new membership forms

26 people signed in on the sign in sheet (14 were new names)

\$162.00 collected in donations