**Sky Lake – Highland Lakes Area Homeowners Association**

To serve as the collective voice for the Sky Lake – Highland Lakes area neighborhoods and to promote

an exceptional quality of life for our community through advocacy and involvement

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**Board Meeting Agenda**

November 30, 2016, 7 PM

Highland Oaks Park

Call to Order – 7:00 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes
2. Reports
   1. Finance/Treasury (Lynn)
   2. Membership & Outreach (Freddi)
      1. Sub-Committee on membership structure (Eli)
      2. Welcome Committee (Madeline/Brenda)
   3. Nominating Committee (Trudy/Sid/Jacky/Brenda)
   4. Newsletter (Stephanie/Freddi)
   5. Infrastructure/Traffic/Parks/Fish & Wildlife (David/Bill)
   6. Security (Jacky/Jacci)
      1. Security/Health Expo (Don)
   7. Zoning Committee (Don)
   8. Beautification (Trudy)
   9. Education/Schools (Stephanie)
   10. Incorporation Update (Bob)
3. New Business
4. Upcoming Meetings/Events
   1. Wednesday, January 11, 7pm: Board Meeting
   2. Wednesday, February 1, 7pm: General Members Meeting/Elections
   3. Wednesday, March 1, 7pm, Board Meeting

Adjournment

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**Board Meeting Minutes**

**October 26, 2016**

**Highland Oaks Park Recreation Building**

President Marc Hurwitz called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Board members in attendance were: Bill Clayton, Freyda Hyman, David Miller, Don Shannon, Brenda Auerbach, Reyna Behar, Isaac Bendrao, Eli Gorin, Jose Klahr, Madeline Langbaum, Jacky Needelman, Sid Rabin, Andy Rodman, Jacci Seskin, Ron Silver, Rhoda Stein, and Bob Weisblum. Also attending as guests were Leigh Needelman and Ken Friedman. Marc announced that Howard Weiner has resigned from the Board and was thanked for his service. The funeral for Lenny Feldman's father will take place on October 27. Reyna collected donations from the attendees.

Minutes: A motion was made by Brenda to accept the minutes of the September 7, 2016 meeting seconded by Madeline. The motion was passed.

FDOT: Marc reported for Lenny that the plans for the flyover are going forward but with some adjustments: some of the businesses will be saved; access to NE 26 Ave. will be retained; one of the dead end streets will be opened for better access to West Dixie.

Membership/Outreach: Freyda reported that we have 196 members paid for 2016 with 92 of the 2015 members not renewed. She suggested another letter to the 2015 members from Marc. Madeline reported that she will begin to distribute the "welcome baskets" to new residents on November 1. Marc reported for Stephanie Ruiz that we have received 3 memberships with designations for a donation to a school. She would like this to be an all year promotion. A discussion of the pros and cons followed. This lead to a discussion on various membership suggestions such as membership year to be when dues are paid instead of the calendar year and having "members only" meetings. Eli will start an email committee on membership. David made a motion, seconded by Bob that anyone joining on or after Nov. 1 get 14 months of membership. The motion was withdrawn after discussion.

Incorporation: Bob reported that there has been no progress since our last meeting. The planning committee meeting has not been scheduled yet. When it is held it will be similar to the MAC meetings and attendees will be able to speak. A discussion followed on the proposed County amendment related to Special Taxing Districts.

Infrastructure & Traffic: David and Bill reported that the construction on the north side of the park is scheduled to be finished by November 5. Shrubs in the park will also be trimmed. Jose is still working on the dog park and would like to see 2 small parks (one for big dogs and one for small dogs) within whatever is created. Various possible sites were discussed.

Beautification: Bill reported that the wooden poles on NE 18 Ave. are slowly being replaced - 4 are done so far.

Zoning: Don spoke about NE 26 Ave. being torn up by the developers. It is unknown if they will repave it. There is nothing we can do if the County approves a project. He will try to talk with construction companies as projects arise to assure consideration for our residents. David suggested submitting a "public records request" to be informed when plans are being filed. Marc suggested that a committee be formed to follow up. Negotiations are in the works to move some of the freight trains to other tracks to the west. All Aboard has approval for stations from Miami to WPB including one at 195 St. with an overpass to Aventura Mall.

Security: Marc reported that although approved by the County the use of tablets at the guard gates north of IDR cannot go forward because they need a hot spot to be able to transmit. It would cost $50-$60 per month. Who will absorb this cost? Perhaps the neighbors would pay and Jacky suggested an email campaign or asking the County to change the land line in the booths to data lines.

New Business: Marc appointed Trudy Lechner, Sid, Jacky and Brenda to the nominating committee for the 2017 Board. A 2016 attendance list will be emailed. Marc announced that we need to start working on the newsletter. Stephanie has agreed to chair the project. Articles and ads are needed. Jose would like to write an article in Spanish. Bob reported that the people who tried to get approval for the synagogue at NE 193 St. are going back into the house and daring the community to fight. He made a motion that $10 of regular dues go into a zoning fund. The motion died for lack of a second. There may be another synagogue in a residential structure on NE 24 Ave. David has had conversations with the park manager about having Fish & Wildlife bring kayaks to the park and hosting an educational event for children. We would need to assure that children showed up to participate. More info is needed. David and Bill will report back. Bob reported that the crosswalk at NE 18 Ave. and MGD has been automated for Shabbat. Eli complained that kids have been going into private yards and fishing in the lake. There was some discussion on how best to handle this. Bill will look into fence improvements. The area is covered under a separate STD.

Upcoming Meetings: Board meetings = Nov. 30 & Jan. 11; General Membership Meeting = Feb. 1.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Submitted by Freyda Hyman.