Minutes

Meeting of Brierwood Neighborhood Association July 20, 2006 at Baymeadows Community Church

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Vice Chairman Mike Hartell. Officers present were Yadon and Heesch. Board members present were Barcia, Carter, Balaguer, Ringley and Henderson. Approximately 45 residents attended.

JSO representative, Officer Ladoo(?) immediately gave a report on the recent home invasion in Deer Park, not Brierwood as the Florida Times-Union reported. This group had committed robberies all over town-deeper in Mandarin, Arlington and the Westside. Police had caught up with them early but did not pursue to avoid a dangerous chase situation. They abandoned the car hey were in and were on foot when they entered the home in Deer Park. They took or had one shotgun and 2 other weapons and a Lexus. The gentleman got loose and called JSO. At this point they had committed a felony and were considered armed and dangerous. Police found them on Beach Blvd and began pursuit. They used stop sticks on Southside. The men displayed weapons. IN the following gunfire one of the young men was killed. JSO recommends basic safety precautions to avoid becoming a victim-keep garage doors down, light around outside of house, motion censors. The homicide on 7/4 at Deermeadows apartments was discussed. This was purely a domestic disturbance and could happen anywhere. There was also a question about solicitors. We can put up signs as a neighborhood assoc. Most of the door to solicitors are bad people and are just casing your home. If you see suspicious cars call nonemergency number, not 911.

Kenny Mueller gave a report of the SHADCO meeting. Most crime has been teenage mischief. Ed Schaffer reported for the traffic committee that traffic on Rathbone appears to be tamed and down by about 50%. Shadco will sponsor a safety fair at the Avenues Mall on 8/1.

Information about the association's website was given. The website is www.brierwoodassoc.org. Alton Allen maintains this site and is now posting advertisements for Brierwood homeowners with businesses. This is a free service to residents. The website has a complete rundown of traffic calming issues, minutes of past meetings, agendas for upcoming meetings, and list of block captains. Hartell complimented website info about flood zones, fire hydrant placement and hurricane animal shelters.

Several cookouts are planned for National Night Out on 8/2. The Jagmobile is scheduled to come from 6-8.

A quick discussion of a rapid response network to report suspicious persons, cars, behaviors, etc was held. It was noted that Adam's Walk residents now have some cell phones for neighborhood watch patrol.

A complaint about dumpster emptying At Beauclerc Elementary school in the wee hours of the morning was made. It was suggested that a call be made to 630-city and the principal at Beauclerc.

Meeting was closed at 8:00 pm. The next meeting will be held on August 17, 2006 at 7:00 pm at Baymeadows Community Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Yadon, Secretary