## **Brierwood Neighborhood Association**

Regular Meeting

9/20/18

Board members present: Frack, Barry, Lewis, Yadon, Spickelmier, Allen

Meeting was opened at 7:05 pm by Steve Spickelmier

Pledge recited.

Prayer led by Thelma Merritt.

Minutes: There were no minutes from the May meeting.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> We have a bank balance of \$19.32. We currently owe a homeowner \$25.00 for sign landscaping. Donations will be taken at each meeting; we received \$117.00 tonight. All sign expenses have been paid and we have no other invoices payable at this time.

<u>Neighborhood Watch</u>: Lora Lewis reported that *NextDoor* app now has 178 members in the 32217 zip code and 192 members in the 32257 zip code. She is coordinating the 'original' Brierwood group and the 'new' Brierwood group. Please encourage your neighbors to join, it is an easy way to communicate about safety issues and concerns.

Ms. Lewis also mentioned a COJ training for landlords - How to observe criminal activity (heavy traffic on weekends and nights, gang tattoos, people leaving empty handed, cars parking around the corner, money in pockets changing hands)

Check out the COJ (City of Jacksonville) website for other offerings.

## **New Business:**

Public thinks BNA is a HOA (Home Owners Association) and send legal liens inquiry letters to Ansbaucher law firm.

<u>BNA Website:</u> Alton Allen has developed and maintained site. He renews the domain name fee as a donation to BNA yearly. A new resident, Ryan White, is interested in creating a new site with Mr. Allen in a more of a 'newsletter' format. He will use the more up-to-date *Square Space* platform. He will show us an example at next meeting. He is a realtor and would like to place an advertisement in the newsletter similar to what was done by Kathy Wright and Ellen Pritchard in the past when they provided a monthly newsletter for the community. We are grateful for all of Alton's hard work over the years.

Glenda Spickelmier will find out if an elderly resident would appreciate a BNA 'work day' to help out with yard work.

Steve is increasingly busy with Veteran's organizations and would like for group to find a new Chairman.

Benediction.

Dave and Thelma Merritt provided refreshments. Donations were taken.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm

Next meeting is Thursday, October 18, 2018 at Baymeadows Baptist Church. Lora Lewis will be speaking on Fall/Winter gardening in our area.