

Men's Coffee Group Minutes – November 12, 2013

The meeting commenced at 9:00 am

Vince Marchesani (Safety Committee) briefly spoke on the placement of the new mail box (parking area by pool) and confirmed that both boxes (pool and post office) will remain where they are. It was suggested that a "drop off" box for both Federal Express and UPS should be looked into.

The meeting continued with a question and answer format. The first question asked involved alligator removal from our retention ponds. There is a toll free number (866-392-4286) for the Wildlife Conservancy listed in the "Talk of the Town" Newsletter.

Mike Vober (Safety Committee) spoke briefly on the bear situation in Village Walk. Mike mentioned that the Florida Black Bear is usually not aggressive, but can be dangerous when startled. He stressed the importance of placing garbage out only on the morning of pick up. He also mentioned that alligators are usually very timid and fearful of people. They lose this fear when fed by people. Please do not feed the alligators!

Manny from Mainscape was present to answer questions. The first question asked involved the "hard cut" of our Hibiscus, and what type of growth should we be seeing. Manny stated that new growth should be starting now. If no growth is seen, contact Mainscape. A member complained that shortly after his lawn was cut, he noticed that his side door (window) was cracked. He believes that this might have been caused by a stone during the cuttings. Manny stated that he would look into it, and asked for the receipt. Another member mentioned that the lemons on his tree disappeared after the Mainscape crew came through. Manny said he would talk to the crews. A member then suggested that somebody should inspect work performed when crews are finished. Manny mentioned that 150 – 300 homes are serviced everyday. They do inspect the work, but it is impossible to inspect each and every property. Another question involved yard waste and where it should be placed. The answer is on the curb in front of your house. The members thanked Manny for his time and the Dunkin Donuts.

A member asked who is responsible for the cleaning of sidewalks. It was suggested that Homeowners are responsible for sidewalks in front of their properties. The HOA is responsible for sidewalks in common areas.

The meeting concluded with a lively discussion on Comcast, Century Link, Direct T.V., etc. It was explained that we are legally under contract with Comcast for 10 years (2/2005 – 2/2015). This contract states that we cannot negotiate with another provider until 6 months before the contract is due to expire. There is an automatic 5 year extension of this contract, if we (HOA) do not take any actions during this 6 month period.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.