OVIS minutes of the February 27, 2017 meeting

Those in attendance: Brian Smith, Jim Wiesner, Connie Rieben, Bill and Elaine Schilp, Tim Coates, Jerry Edmonds, Donna Greene, Dennis Green, Dave Ennis, Beau Plessner, Julie Longen, Todd Guarino, T. Carl Jackson, and Mary Gynn.

Brian called the meeting to order at 7 o'clock at the Village Hall. He referred to the minutes that have been sent out following the last meeting. The minutes were approved.

Jim provided the Treasurer's Report noting the deposits and expenditures with a balance resulting of \$11,234.32. He noted this included 170 paid memberships with 16 memberships in process. He noted that there were 16 paid sponsors. The report was received.

Under the Village Hall item, Donna reported there would be two rentals this month. One of them was the Boy Scouts on April 15. This would be the Eagle ceremony for Luke Longen. Under this item Brian reported that he went to the Open House Reception for the Palm Harbor Museum on February 17 . OVIS is now a sponsor for that program. He said the event was very well attended and well done.

Dennis reported that he made contact with O'Neill's for tree removal (the dead tree in the driveway) and they would be meeting with him tomorrow morning on-site. OVIS has earlier agreed to authorize the removal of the tree with a tree service.

Brian recognized Jerry Edmonds for a report on the golf cart event at the Ozona Community Church. The event is scheduled for March 18 and will include golf cart races through an obstacle course on the church property. The theme would be to get a better time than the pastor! It was agreed this would make a good article in the newsletter following the event. Brian agreed to attend and take pictures.

Under the membership report Jim indicated that the information was covered under the financial report earlier in the meeting.

Under calendar of events Brian brought up the OVIS annual meeting. He indicated it was earlier decided there would be a special program of interest to the general public included in addition to the normal business and election of officers. Following Dennis's recommendation Brian had made contact with Terry about a bird program. Brian contacted Terry about suggestions for such a presenter. He then sent an email to Dan Larrenmore for this. The annual meeting is set for April 24. Brian noted it would be good to have as a social event and Connie agreed to organize refreshments (wine, beer, etc.). Later in the meeting it was agreed to add a presentation to Linda at the post office concerning her Sheriff's award.

Brian reported that it made sense to have the newsletter out by mid April to promote the annual meeting and its content.

Brian noted there would also be a regular meeting March 27 to review the details of the annual meeting and other items.

Brian reported that Linda will be recognized by the Sheriff 's Office for a Neighborhood Watch award on Saturday March 11 (8:30 AM) along with other people being recognized. Brian said that she was recommended for this by Dolly Swallow, the Ozona Neighborhood Watch representative. Brian said he would be in attendance and that he would provide the meeting location and time to others to attend. (the Carillon Hilton in St Petersburg at 8:30am)

Brian noted that he had reviewed the OVIS website and that it needed to be updated with more current information. He said he would get with Jim on this.

Brian noted that recently the Village Hall had been designated as a historic building officially by the County and that a plaque recognizing that designation was to be installed at hall. He said this plaque would be officially approved by the State and will be placed in front of the hall in the next few months. He noted that the text had to be approved by a State committee. The County is actually paying for this plaque which is the first one to be done in the unincorporated County.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.