

**HILTON HEAD PLANTATION  
PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION  
SECURITY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
May 13,2021 at 9:00 Am**

**OPENING:**

The Chairperson Betsy Weppner called the meeting to order at 0900 hours on May 13, 2021 at the Plantation House. Since this is the first meeting of the newly constituted committee, she asked each member to briefly volunteer for two hours in the Dispatch Office and to complete a maximum of four hours or less on patrol ride-along program please contact [vgreen@hhppoa.org](mailto:vgreen@hhppoa.org) with dates and times.

**ATTENDENCE:**

- Betsy Weppner (Chairperson)
- James Copper
- Mike Dreuth
- Dean Morrison
- Lester Taylor
- Maury Tepper
  - Alternate-1: Paul Underwood
  - Alternate-2: Tim Henderson

**Ex Officio Member:**

- Warren Gaither (Security Major)
- Vanessa Green (Security Captain)
- Peter Kristian (General Manager)

**ABSENT WITH NOTICE:** Scott Croye (by email)

**MINUTES:**

The official minutes of March and April were unanimously approved as written (Jim Copper motion / Lester Taylor second).

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRPERSON: Betsy Weppner**

Welcome and introduction of committee members for 2021-2022. Members must keep in mind the confidential nature of much of the Committee's work and not discuss confidential matters outside of the Committee. The Committee meets on the second Thursday of each month at 0900 at the Plantation House or POA Service building. Betsy explained the function the responsibilities of the Security Committee as established by the Board of Directors and how all committee members are to review and sign the document. Betsy stressed the need for confidentiality of our proceedings. Betsy reviewed several upcoming actions involving the committee and how she wants members to be more involved with certain parts of the Subcommittee Reports like (*Traffic Safety, Entry Control, Annual analysis of accident types and causes, and File of Life/ Updates emergency contacts - before hurricane season starts*)

**REVIEW OF MONTHLY ACTIVITIES REPORT: Maj. Warren Gaither, Director of Security**

Gaither explained the content of the Activities report for new members and how we are looking at modifying the activity report, so it is more up to date with newer information that committee feels is more pertinent to review and discuss. Gaither reviewed the statistics for the month of March and April. Overall,

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crime remains low. Gaither reported briefly on the accident that occurred Tuesday on Whooping Crane Way adjacent to Headlands Drive North. The driver lost control of her vehicle while choking a bagel with peanut butter who was transported to the hospital for evaluation unknown at the time if injuries were substantiated. BCSO worked the accident while HHP Security provided traffic control.

### OLD BUSINESS:

- Resident Concerns - Bike/pedestrian safety: Raymond Nevin a resident on Headlands Drive emailed the Peter and Warren in reference expressing his disappointment regarding about the speed limit not being dropped down to 25MPH. This is a significant issue to those living on Headlands Drive. The Security Department has run speed surveys launched the traffic meter counter for weeks and determined that speeding is not prevalent in the area Nevin suggested. The information collected from the traffic meter counter also confirmed that most of the vehicles in the area during the weeks were traveling around 30mph which is the posted limit on the street at the time. Security will continue to monitor the area for potential speeders and take appropriate actions against violators.

#### Update on Uniforms:

- Gate officers - will wear Gray Polo Shirt/ Gray Trousers
- Sgt.'s – will wear Navy Blue Polo Shirt/ Gray Trousers
- Lt.'s – will option of wearing three different color polo shirts / Black trousers

Update on External Vest – Because of the gas shortage, Cormac Arms and Outfitters (Doug) though it would be best to wait to travel until the pipeline is back up. Doug was scheduled to obtain all officers vest measurements on 5/13/2021 to implement the new transition in new uniforms.

### NEW BUSINESS:

- Paul Underwood (Alternate) made inquiry about October 15, 2021 schedule meeting date that falls on Friday. **The correct and new revised date is October 14, 2021 which falls on Thursday.**
- Mike Dreuth made inquiry about the speeders, vehicles passing him on double line and how frequently it occurs on property.
- Peter and Warren advised that due to covid the courthouse was closed for several months and since July 17, all Beaufort County buildings were closed to the public until further notice to minimize opportunities to spread COVID-19 in our community. Which contributed to less traffic stops and state tickets being issued by the Security Department and BCSO.

### Peter Kristian, GM commented on several items of interest:

- POA Staff has begun working on the 2022 budget. The Dolphin Head project continues to move along.
- The POA Service Center returned to normal office hours in April. The mask ordinance for Hilton Head Island will expire on Sunday, May 16. **Sea Pines has banned e-bikes.**
- The Maintenance Department is working on receiving bids for striping Whooping Crane Way.
- Kids Kamp starts in June. There are a record number of children attending Kamp this year. The Activities Department has multiple summer concerts lined up for June and July. House Guest Cards are now permitted to be used at the Spring Lake Pool. Pool furniture is in the process of being cleaned and set up.
- The Town is working with POA Staff to approve another beach renourishment for Pine Island.

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- The Communications Department is working on redoing the HHPPOA Maps (if you feel something could be added that is pertinent, please contact Leah Davis at the POA office).
- The Old Fort Pub project continues to move forward – just waiting on approval from the HHPPOA ARB so a potential start date can be set.
- A new lot may be developed on Seabrook Drive for single family dwelling soon.
- Former Board President, Dick Waltz, passed away last month. In lieu of flowers his family is asking that donations be made to the Dolphin Head Renovation Project, as that was one of the first projects Mr. Waltz oversaw as President of HHPPOA Board of Directors.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1000 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Green  
Deputy Director of Security  
Recording Secretary