



**Hilton Head Plantation
Property Owners' Association, Inc.
Security and Safety Committee Meeting Minutes – October 2023**

Call to Order:

Keith Schlegel called the meeting to order at 9:00 am on October 5, 2023 in POA Offices.

Attendance:

Members Present:

Keith Schlegel, Chairperson
James Doherty
Mike Dreuth
Tim Henderson

Absent with Notice:

Dean Morrison
Paul Underwood
Betsy Weppner
Fred Brunk
Bob Clemens

Absent without Notice:

None

POA Staff:

Captain Vanessa Green

Guest:

None

Ex-Officio Member:

Major Warren Gaither

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Meeting minutes from September 2023 were reviewed and approved as presented.

Announcement from the chair:

1. Keith Schlegel welcomed committee members, thanking members for serving our community, and for meeting a week early due to other Town Committee conflicts. He noted the smaller group was also due to two last minute cancellations by member and that Peter Kristian was away at a Conference.
2. Keith noted the increasing moving vehicle citations, suggested we discuss with Communications as reflecting the desires of the HHP residents rather than a Security driven initiative as some residents on social media have complained, while 95% note as positive, making the community safer.

Old Business:

1. Committee reviewed technology with Major Gaither and Captain Green. Body cam procedures are being implemented, these assist greatly with traffic stops, to support Officer accounts of the interaction and should a citation result in a court appearance, provide clear evidence. The new patrol vehicle DVR's are having issues, two units have failed, sent back to manufacturer for repair replacement under warranty. Major Gaither confirmed this company is the go to for these devices, we have to hope this is an anomaly, but will monitor performance of these units.
2. Committee discussed members scheduling ride alongs and gatehouse visits and suggested we remind our friends in HHP to consider doing this to raise awareness of our Security officer duties, contributions, and challenges.
3. Major Gaither reviewed Security Department Activities Report for September 2023 and several HHP Incident Reports. Currently Security is down 1 officer. Noted that calls for service are increasing, the team is handling. Security has had some calls for critter management involving armadillos, we do not have cages appropriate for these. There have been increased coyote sightings, and a few deer vs auto accidents. There will be a small deer cull once the weather turns colder.

New Business:

1. Major Gaither noted that The Cypress management has requested increased patrols to limit speeding as their residents are concerned as they walk.
2. Captain Green reported Security is seeking a lighter weight movable speed board to assist in reminding residents to slow down. The two existing boards work well but are difficult to move around to other streets and neighborhoods.
3. As we've had some issues with technology, Major Gaither and Captain Green discussed tech firm utilized by other communities at the latest Chiefs meeting. ABDI which HHP utilizes continues to be the lead firm for our counterparts, so no changes contemplated.
4. Captain Green noted that the December Chiefs meeting will be hosted by HHP.

General Manager's Report:

None as Peter Kristian was away at a Conference.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn was made and accepted at 10:00 am at POA offices.