

MARION OAKS CIVIC ASSOCIATION
294 MARION OAKS LANE
OCALA, FL 34473
Website: www.Moca1973.org

Gen. M.O. Membership Meeting

Date: February 11, 2025

Establish a Quorum (52) members in Attendance plus 12 Guests,
Call to Order: Florence Charbonneau, President at 7:00 PM
Prayer by Florence Charbonneau, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Video Presentation 2024 MOCA Accomplishments – Jose Torres

We thank the residents of the community for their participation in many of our endeavors in 2024. Highlights included community trash pickup, participation in many events with MSTU, Recreation & Fitness Center, High School and Richard Dennison adult scholarships, Business Expo, Annual Train Show, support of local school music departments, local school supply drives and support to the Domestic Violence Awareness and Kimberly Center to name a few.

A motion was made by Henry Munoz to accept January 2025 minutes as presented with a 2nd by Ellen Chestnut, unanimously approved.

Guest Speakers: None

President's Report: Florence Charbonneau

- On February 10, 2025, Planning & Zoning Board approved the Diamond Publix to be built on 49th Court and 484. Next step is approval by County Commissioners. Florence encouraged residents to email our commissioners in support of the new Publix.
- McGinley property is underway for apartments and homes.
- Aldi's has decided to sell the remaining Winn Dixie stores that have liquor stores to Piggly Wiggly and IGA. This will not include the store in Marion Oaks.
- New road will be started from SW 49th to go from 484 down 49th to 66th to Sullivan Cadillac on 200.
- 49th Extension to Marion Oaks Manor down to the new high school to start next year.

Safety Report – Dave Pierce

Deputies assigned to the Marion Oaks District during month of January 2025, arrested 45 people, for 24 felony charges, 14 misdemeanor charges, served 22 warrants, conducted 128 traffic stops, conducted 43 sex offender checks, worked 27 domestic violence cases, wrote 141 long form reports, wrote 62 follow-up reports, dispatched 1,120 calls for service, and worked a total of 1,495-man hours for the month.

Parks & Rec Report: Dave Pierce

Today they have just returned from a motorcoach trip to Victory Cruise Casino. Everyone had a great time. Check the board for upcoming trips and events.

Dave introduced Eva Sanders who is their new staff member who has joined their team.

Next Wednesday they will have a pre-budget meeting to discuss the upcoming budget. Residents should be pleased with items on the budget.

MSTU: Henry Munoz

The waterfall has been down due to a clogged drain.

He has been working with the road department, and they will be taking care of roads in the community either by patching or in some cases re-paving.

Treasurer's Report: Nora Burch

As January 31, 2025:	Balance:	MOCA:	\$12,288.99
		Bingo:	\$ 4,921.82

Bingo Report: Lynn Greene

For the month of January 2025 there were 2 bingo sessions.

Bingo's deposits for the month :	\$1,771.50
Concession Stand deposits for month of January 2025:	\$303
Average Attendance ran:	87

Deed Report: Carmen Reyes

During the month of Januaryr there were:

Permits	Opened: 23	Closed: 13
Violations:	Opened: 28	Closed: 17
Pending Violations:	10	Sent to Code Enforcement: 8
Estoppels:	36	
Violation letters to resident and Owners:	33	

Membership Report: Ray Charbonneau

Members present: 52 Renewals: 16 Guests: 12

Scholarships:

Applications are now online. Go to www.MOCS1973.org for the forms. The deadline will be April 1st. There are 3 scholarships open to high school students living in Marion Oaks along with the Richard Dennison adult scholarship. For more information, please contact the Deed Office at 352-347-7297

Our Marid Gras Murder Mystery Dinner will be held March 14th @ 6:00 PM, cost will be \$30 a ticket. So, join the fun and come in costume. Tickets are now on sale until sold out.

Florence Charbonneau asked residents for items they felt should be brought to the county commissioners. Suggestions included lights, trucker parking and new street signs as many are faded.

Fiber Optics were brought up and Florence advised that it is a 2-3 year project and will look into having a guest speaker from the company that will be providing the service.

Florence stated that the commissioners are currently going through the data collected by General Services including the information from Marion Oaks.

The Marion County TPO (Transportation Planning Organization) is scheduled as our guest speaker in March and Kathy Bryant has agreed to attend in April.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 pm by Ellen Chestnut with a 2nd by Joann Coast, unanimously approved.