

MARION OAKS CIVIC ASSOCIATION
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OCALA, FL 34473
Website: [Home \(moca1973.org\)](http://moca1973.org)

Gen. M.O. Membership Meeting

Date: April 9, 2024

Establish a Quorum (75) Members in Attendance plus 13 Guests,
Call to Order: Florence Charbonneau, President at 7:05 PM
Prayer by Florence Charbonneau, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Silent reading of minutes from last meeting and we will vote at end of the meeting.

Guest Speaker: Jim Rafferty – History of Marion Oaks

Jim gave an interesting discussion on the history of Marion Oaks. We were established on April 28, 1973, by Deltona. The first section consisted of modular homes and then block homes followed.

Marion Oaks consists of 15,000 acres with designated areas for commercial businesses, hospital, and schools. Also included are specific greenway areas and two golf courses that may not be used for anything other than recreational purposes.

Safety Report – Lt Rosa

Deputies assigned to the Marion Oaks District during month of March arrested 51 people, for 17 felony charges, 31 misdemeanor charges, served 31 warrants, conducted 149 traffic stops, 9 criminal traffic charges, conducted 53 sex offender checks, worked 24 domestic violence cases, wrote 111 long form reports, wrote 103 follow-up reports, dispatched 1,132 calls for service, and worked a total of 1,650.25-man hours for the month.

Lt Rosa discussed the increase of car burglary calls. He stated that the majority of these vehicle burglaries was entry into the vehicle through an unsecured or unlocked door. In some cases, firearms were stolen and even some of the vehicles themselves due to spare keys being in the cars. He cautioned everyone to lock your doors and never leave valuables in your vehicle, especially in plain sight.

Treasurer's Report: Linda Goles

as of March 31, 2024:

Balance:	MOCA:	\$8,214.31
	Bingo:	\$7,473.57

MOCA Scholarships: Linda Goles

Linda stated that both scholarships for high school Srs along with the Rick Dennison scholarship for adults have been extended to a May 1st deadline. Scholarship applications can be found on our website: www.moca1973.org then under Documents.

Bingo Report: Lynn Greene

Bingo's deposits (2) for month of March 2024:	\$1,887
Concession Stand deposits for month of March 2024:	\$372.75
Average Attendance ran:	91.5

Next bingo - Wednesday April 17th.

Deed Report: Carmen Reyes – Office Manager
During the month of March there were:

Permits	Opened: 28	Closed: 23
Violations:	Opened: 43	Closed: 30
Estoppels:	78	

Member Report: Mary Rose
April 9th meeting:

Number in attendance:	75
Number of new members:	8
Number of renewals:	3
Number of guests:	13

MOVE -- No Report

Florence explained that MOVE is our community crime watch.

Community Trash Pick Up – Miguel Sanchez absent

Our next community trash pick-up is April 20th. We will meet at 8:00 am in front of the Community Center.

We will have our big community cleanup day on June 22nd. All trash companies as well as the county litter team with their crane will be participating. Last year 21.6 tons worth of garbage was collected.

Parks and Rec Report: Dave Pierce

Upcoming van trips and events:

4/25 Crystal River Pontoon Boat cruise - \$45

4/30 Cedar Key – Airplane fly over - \$60

5/9 Mother's Day Luncheon - \$15

4/22 Splash Pad opening from 10-6

Upcoming projects:

Dog park at the Ball park – plans are being worked up

Expanding the pickleball courts

New youth programs under Haley Morgan. Every Thursday from 10-2 Tot play dates. This is a free program and held in the Auditorium.

MSTU – Henry Munoz

Grass is being cut. They are looking for workers.

Motion to approve the minutes from March by Ellen Chestnut, 2nd by Dorothy Brown, unanimously approved.

Old Business: Florence Charbonneau

We are still gathering petition signatures for a light at the 4 way stop on the Boulevard and Lane. Please come to the deed office to sign. Deed office is open Mon – Wed and Friday from 10-1.

Road construction Update: 484 will be getting worse as they will be working on expanding and widening lanes coming into Marion Oaks. This includes signal light, sidewalks and utilities.

Units 7 & 10 are seeing construction workers for the water main extension which is funded thru the state to get residents off sewer and onto county sewer lines.

484 Food Trucks – Please use caution around this area with traffic coming out of the food truck area.

Florida Crossroads Commerce Park has Pepsico as a new tenant.

The Mystery Dinner that we advertised in the paper was sold out within 48 hours. The Deed Office will be closed on April 19th for the Mystery Dinner Show.

We are looking for two volunteers to audit the association's books. Two members stepped forward for the audit.

Winner of 50th Anniversary final month's drawing, a gift certificate for dinner for 2 – Jamie Pimentel.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 by Lee Welch, with a 2nd by Victor Rivera, unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned.