

Meeting Minutes: Three River Estates Property Owners, Fort White, FL. 32038

**Date:** June 11, 2024

1. Call to Order & Invocation

2. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call:

Board Members: Officers: Alternates: Glenn Hunter, Chairman Terri Hester, President Tom Tramel, Vice Chairman Mickey Olson, Vice President -Vonda Ackerson Vicki Sellers, Treasurer James Baker Hilda Gilchrist, Secretary Judy Brim Mike Davis Sammy Keen Tommy Matthews Park Manager Wayne Sellers Bill Brim -Charlee Thompson

- 5. Motion to approve all those absent: James/Sammy, motion passes.
- 6. Approve June Agenda; Wayne/Tom, motion passes.
- 7. Approve May meeting; Sammy/James, motion passes.
- 8. Special Guest Speaker: Columbia County Animal Enforcement Department Director, Tom Wormuth: Tom has been on the job for eight months, during that time 600 animals have been picked up. Tom provided a 10 page, double sided Columbia County Ordinance number 98–3 "Chapter 18 Animals"/Article III- Animal Control. Then provided the following summary: \*There is no national registration for a service dog; seeing eye dogs are the only ones on a national registration.
- \* Service dogs do have to be trained to do specific things; they have to be on a leash and under the Owner's control and they must be able to obey Owner's commands.
- \*Emotional support dogs are not supported.
- \*Health certifications are required for puppies.
- \*If puppies are older than four months. They have to have a rabies vaccination.
- \*Tom highly recommends micro shipping your animal it only costs \$15-\$20 and it is the safest way to make sure that when Animal Control or others pick an animal up it will get back to Owner.
- \*Animal Control office (phone number: is open from 7 AM to 5 PM and they have a 24 hour on-call service however they will only come out for the following:
- **1.** Dog bite.
- 2. Dog gets hit by car.
- **3.** Law enforcement.

Complaints made to his department can be made by calling his department. The third complaint requires a notorized form be provided to them, with documentation including:

- \*Photographs and or Video evidence.
- \*Written description of the incident,
- \*Date of incident, location.
- \*Witnesses witness names, (if any)
- \*If we can report who he owner of the Animal is, it makes their job a bit easier..
- \*The department's animal enforcement officer (Joanna Jacob's) follows up with the owner.

1st time it's a verbal conversation with the owner.

2nd time written notice

3rd time a citation is delivered to the owner.

Note: for "aggressive" dogs. It's \$150 fine per dog.

\*If three or more citations are made, then the owner will have to go to court, and the dog will be taken away.

A person has a right to kill an animal on their property if:

- 1. One feels threatened by an animal,
- 2. It's killing your livestock
- 3. Chasing your cat up a tree on your property.

\*Service dogs too are the owner's responsibility even if the dog was on a leash if it bit somebody. The service animal must be under owner control.

- 9. Secretary's Report: none
- **10.Treasurer's Report, Vicki Seller's:** Book-keeper has been OOT; Due to the actual costs of defending TREPO, due to litigation with Jesse Crane, member's fees will be impacted. The statement for May will be presented at July meeting.
- 11. President's Report, Terri Hester:
- \* July 4 is a Thursday, so gate greeters will be required four days that weekend.
- \* Terri reported that no volunteers have responded and we will need to hire a second gate greeter for Hoder those four days.
- 12. Park Managers Report, Bill Brim: please refer to separate report by Park Manager.
- **13. Maintenance Committee:** T. Mathews asks whether we need three bids for the two electrical projects? Chairman said at least 2 bids should be received.
- **14. Communications Committee:** Membership: Columbia County: 661

Suwanee County: + 244

905

Applications for the elections will be on the TREPO website by Thursday 6/13

- 15. New Business: Review of park rules is postponed till July meeting.
- 16. Old Business: none
- 17. Open meeting Property Owner's Comments:

\*Ray Gerner/He will be getting Certification for Service Dogs through 'Paws for Patriots' Chairman will work with him to address his concerns.

\*Laura Dailey: reques bt to use the A-frame to provide community centered activities such as Garden Club, Yoga, Baby showers, Bible study. Members paid for the improvements, we should be able to use at least a central space.

\*Ray Gerner complained about a 2 x 4 that was added at the gate which creates a mobility issue every time he tries to keep the door open so he can get his kayak through the gate.

Next meeting: July 9, 2024 at 7:00

Adjourn: 8:11