

Pine Hills Neighborhood Improvement District (NID) Advisory Council Minutes

Meeting: Pine Hills Neighborhood Improvement District (PHNID) Advisory Council

In Attendance

Date & Place Wednesday, 12.3.25

Pine Hills Neighborhood Improvement District (PHNID) Advisory Council:

Pine Hills Community Center, 6408 Jennings Road

In – Person: Michael Strayhorn, Chair, Pamela Seetaram

Time: 6:05 p.m.- 7:25 p.m.

Staff: Tamara Johnson

“Track by”

Date **Description**

For Record

Visitors

- Artena Greene-Orange County Chamber of Commerce
- Brian Harris-Orlo Vista Safe Neighborhood Partnership
- Daisy Townsend – Pine Hills Community Center, Community Action
- Gerald Eberly - Orlo Vista Safe Neighborhood Partnership
- Jody Mahonik-Resident
- Kenneth Dwyer – Pine Hills Safe Neighborhood
- Lt. Shawn McCook - Orange County Sheriff’s Office
- Peggy Gustave – Congressman Maxwell Frost
- Victor Rivera–Toro – Orange County Code Compliance

Welcome

Call to Order: 6:05 p.m. Quorum was not met.

Public Comment(s) - NA

Announcement(s) Pine Hills Safe Neighborhood Partnership meeting will be held Dec. 4th at Barnett Park (Ken Dwyer)

Approval of Minutes - Quorum was not met.

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Community Updates

Crime	2024	2025	Percentage
Homicides	11	5	55
Robberies	161	118	27
Person to Person	384	331	14
Sex Crimes	105	67	36
Automobile	571	544	5
Residential Burglaries	436	322	26
Commercial Burglaries	226	159	30
Automobile Burglaries	671	645	13

OCSO – Lt. McCook

- Encourages people to be vigilant about reporting things that appear to be suspicious and allow law enforcement to take it from that point
- Remember to remove valuables from your vehicles and lock your doors especially because it is the holiday season.

Questions and Comments from the floor

- D. Townsend – Does open carry law apply to a firearm being in a car? Lt. McCook - there is no change based on the new law
- T. Johnson – Does the Sheriff's department have any programs or resources to help with lighting to reduce crime? Lt. McCook believes there is an option or a resource. He will do some research and share it at the time.
- C. Strayhorn – shared that installing lights and cameras make a difference
- J. Mahonik – Shared that on Balboa there has been a large police presence and she was uncertain as to why. Lt. McCook reported there have been increased car theft by teens

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Code Compliance - Victor Rivera-Toro

- He has built a good relationship within the community, and it has proven to be helpful because residents are less leery
- Trailers and truck violations have decreased
- If permits are needed, he will post them at the locations
- Date and time are placed on his business card and shared on warnings where violations are received
- He can use the reference number attached to an existing code ticket, if there is an additional ticket needed, they will be joined
- Code is receiving less tenant calls at the apartment complexes
- Literature was provided for meeting participants

Questions and Comments from the floor

- D. Townsend – What is being done by the Hiawassee flea market man? County is aware of the ongoing issue, and it is being handled.

PHNID - Tamara Johnson

- Shared the feedback from the annual report (Maudlin Jenkins).
- The community information fair has been postponed as the Mayor is having an event on the same day, January 24th. Once a location is secured Tamara will share it with the group.
- The Pine Hills Parade is on December 6th. Parade route shared
- Commissioner Scott will host a Holiday Give- Away on December 22nd
- Septic to Sewer and the Street Scape project are scheduled to be done by January

Presentation - NA

Old Business NA

New Business NA

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Action Items

Executive Director will share the annual report with the Board.

Meeting Adjournment

Michael Strayhorn asked for a motion to adjourn. Pamela Seeteram made the motion; Peggy Gustave seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

- Next NID Meeting – January 7, 2025, at 6:00pm at the Pine Hills Community Center.

Meeting Minutes Certification

Date:

Prepared by Ilisa Patterson

Date:

Chairperson Michael Strayhorn