

**General Membership Meeting Agenda**  
**Sep 21, 2022**  
**7:30 p.m.**  
**Sydenstricker Schoolhouse**

**In Attendance-** Gary Koblitz, Julie Chesser, Patti Alf, Jody Terry, Janet Towles, Angela Blackwood, Les Terry

**Absent board members** -Gary Jensen, Pawel Kusmierak, Adair Petty, Pete Lawton, Laura Senich, Deb Milford

**Community Members Present-** Patrick Husson

- **7:30 p.m.** - Meeting called to start
  
- **Old Schoolhouse Historical Intro-** Kathleen Pablo, VP of Upper Pohick Community League and Friends of Sydenstricker Schoolhouse presented a brief history of the historic School House.
- **Meeting agenda intro: Gary Koblitz**
  - Happy 50th Birthday, OHECA, Inc- Cake served to celebrate 50 years of Orange Hunt Civic Association service
  - Start of 2023 budget discussions- Proposed to start budget and expenditures discussion in the Fall. Budget to be finalized and voted on in the March meeting.
  - Treasurer's report (below)- read by Gary K and reviewed previous years budget
  - Capital improvement project ideas- president has surveyed members for improvements ideas. Suggestions are -
    - Replacing the Bradford Pear trees on Huntsman. President is looking into estimates for replacing
    - Installing additional Orange Hunt entrance signs
    - Curb house number painting
    - Placing American flags on holidays as neighborhood decorations
  
- **Treasurer's Report: Debbie Milford**
  - Treasury report summary as of Aug 31, 2022:  
The bank balance beginning January 1, 2022 was \$103,784.02. Deposits to date are \$3,720.00. This number is always low until September when Membership Drive begins. Expenses for 2022 to date are \$13882.45. The largest expense to date was for Lawn Maintenance. In addition, \$40,000.00 was transferred to a Savings Account. There were \$212.25 in deposits in transit from Toolkit. The

bank balance in the Checking Account as of Aug 31, 2022 was \$53409.32. The Savings Account earned \$9.60 in interest. The bank balance for the Savings Account as of Aug 31, 2022 was \$40009.60.

- **2023 Budget: All board members present their 2023 budget line item projections, to include spending wish list.- Tabled**
  
- **Membership: Jody and Les Terry, Gary Koblitz (Pawel's sub)**
  - Jody and Les, 16 year residents of OHECA, took over the membership position. They began introducing themselves (via door knocking) to residents and approximately met with  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the neighborhood. Canvassing is predicted to have attracted new members.
  - We will pause discussing the membership budget until the Treasurer is present.
  - Postcards announcing membership drive have been mailed. In November another mailing will be sent.
  - Proposed purchasing 2 additional signs to advertise membership. Will be voted on at the next meeting.
  - Proposed to donate \$500 for advertising at each of 3 the local pools. Will be voted on at the next meeting.
  
- **Grounds: Gary Koblitz (Adair Petty's sub)**
  - Recent actions: Planted azaleas plantings, median tree removals.
  - Planned: Median tree plantings, Oct/Nov litter cleanup, storm drain decals
  - Fall adopt a highway
  
- **Directory Ads: Patti Alf**
  - Patti is beginning to contact previous sponsors for advertising in the Orange Hunt directory.
  
- **Contests: Angela Blackwood**
  - Halloween- Gary K will look in the storage facility to see if we have signs to announce winners  
Decided to add the dollar amount for winning to the contest announcements to encourage participation
  - Holiday lights- will be advertised in October newsletter
  
- **Newsletter: Gary Koblitz**

- Oct 6 input deadline for newsletter.
- Mid-Oct dissemination

- **Other board members-**

**Vice President** - Stacy shared the leaf removal initiative did not work due to lack of interest and cost.

Stacy addressed the complaints made against 6618 Field Master and her discussions with the county inspector responding to recent complaints. The inspector determined that he would post an "uninhabitable" sign there based on his observations.

- **Vacancies: Janet Towles(Website), Pawel Kusmierek (Membership Records)**

- Status of Janet's replacement
- Pawel requesting relief when feasible, NLT summer.

Gary thanked Janet Towles for her years of service as OHECA 's webmaster. Gary noted that her replacement would be announced in the fall newsletter soon. Another of the candidates would be approached about phasing into Pawel Kusmierek's membership records position. Pawel has expressed his desire to be relieved over a period into the new year.

- **Special budget board meeting TBD**

- **Adjournment 9 p.m.**