

DeLeon Springs Community Association, Inc.
Annual Christmas Celebration
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, December 17, 2019

1. Amy Munizzi, President welcomed everyone, and Bob Brooks offered the prayer.
2. Acceptance of November 12th meeting minutes: Amy reminded everyone that minutes are e-mailed out after each meeting but can always be found on our website. Andrea Smiley moved approval of the minutes as written; Kevin Phelps seconded, and the motion passed.
3. Pizza dinner, refreshments and cookies were enjoyed by all.
4. Announcements:
 - A. Amy thanked our Officers and Board for their dedication to the DSCA, Inc.: Vice President Jason Sampsell, Treasurer Tammy Schuler, Board members Kevin Phelps and Andrea Smiley. She also stated how grateful we were to Laurie Haas for her service as Secretary in 2019, and that we are looking forward to incoming Secretary Colleen Kurczi and back up Recording Secretary Jim Simmons taking their posts in 2020.
 - B. Amy handed out the Winter 2019 DeLeon Dispatch and asked everyone to note the “DSCA, Inc. Accomplishments” page, which is very impressive for such a small community. Jason Sampsell stated that in Orange City where he serves, they are often making multi-million dollar decisions at council meetings, and yet have few of the public attend, so we are fortunate to have so many people involved.
 - C. Tammy thanked everyone for the jackets/pullovers that were donated for Malloy Head Start and McInnis Elementary School and Amy thanked everyone that donated food for the MHS Food Pantry. Tammy stated that she received additional funds so she will shop for more clothing and deliver them to MHS and MES.
 - D. Cliff McInnis Memorial donations: Amy reported that the McInnis family has been in DeLeon Springs for over 100 years and 95 year old Cliff, (son of Louise, after whom MES was named) recently passed away. The family contacted the DSCA, Inc. to request information about our organization’s efforts to help our community, and after consideration chose to ask people that in lieu of flowers, they donate to the DSCA, Inc. Merit Scholarship. Amy created thank you/informational cards that Tammy will send to every donor, and Tammy reported that we have already received \$1,275.00 to help fund DSCA, Inc. Merit Scholarships.
5. Visitors: Amy introduced Serena Harrison, Executive Director of the new Atlantis Montessori, which is now in the previous Creative Arts Academy building on Grand Ave. Serena shared information about the school and what the Montessori system entails. Atlantis currently take 2 ½ to 6 ½ year old children and will be ELC and VPK eligible so more children can be served. We thanked Serena for the information and for attending the dinner. Amy introduced District One County Councilwoman Barb Girtman who talked about her first year on the County Council, the new Shell Harbor Boat Ramp on Lake George, and gave extensive information on the 2020 Census. She stated it’s vital that everyone fill it in so that communities receive funding for critical needs. It will be available in print, by phone and online. Barb stated more information would be given over the next few months.
6. Volunteer of the Year Presentation: Amy stated that we have been fortunate to have Janice Russak with the DSCA, Inc. She has represented us on the River of Lakes Heritage Corridor Board, attends DSCA, Inc. meetings and events regularly, and was very helpful in gathering information from two potential meeting locations for us. The Volunteer of the Year certificate was awarded to Janice along with a Sonny’s gift card, and a round of applause from the group.
7. Reminders: Amy stated we have been fortunate to meet in the Porter House these past few years and we are grateful to the Malmborg, Clayton, Bauer and Riley families, who own the building and property, for

allowing us to do so, and host events that benefit our community. This is our last meeting at this location and our next gathering will be the Annual DSCA, Inc. Visioning meeting January 14, 2020, at the Christian Church at 4481 Mills Rd. in DeLeon Springs. Mills is located on the east side of US Highway 17 just after Pit Masters, about a half mile south of the Porter House. The meeting is free and open to the public and is for everyone to provide input about what DSCA, Inc. would like to support during 2020. The February 14th meeting will be held in the new educational building at LWNWR, being finished now. It's located at 4490 Grand Ave. near the new Atlantis Montessori.

The meeting was adjourned and everyone was encouraged to take whatever items they would like, from the tables in the adjoining room, for free or a donation, to help us clear out the Porter House. Dinner continued and 'shopping' ensued, with bargains galore.