

Agenda - Seniors Working Together

Date: September 24, 2025 9:30 am Location: Card Room

Members/Attendees present:

Time Commence: ()

Opening: We have a lot to cover today. We will have opportunities throughout the meeting where we will pose to allow questions. *During a topic being discussed, please allow the speaker to finish before engaging. Questions will be answered during the open floor portion of the meeting. This will help us stay focused and ensure all items on the agenda are covered in the time allotted for this meeting.*

Opening Statement- **Ana to Speak:** Welcome committee members, guest and recognize former ORHA-Board Presidents and new attendees. Ask them to ID themselves and what neighborhood they are from.

1.	Review of SWT website (Presentation)
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Recently 9/1/2025

INFO: Marion County commissioners voted to raise fire and solid waste fees Wednesday. Their fire assessment fee will rise from \$200 to \$284 per residence. Commissioners say the price hike is necessary for funding firefighter training, as well as medical services across the county.

They were divided on a vote to raise the county's solid waste fee, splitting the dais three to two. The rate will rise from \$87 to \$215, a more than 140% increase.

2.	Ana to Speak: Joe St. Lawrence purchased a hand held sewer gas detector with digital read out. This hand held does not pickup odor outside. The need to purchase a meter that will allow for this type of collection is essential....explain MCU thoughts.
2a.	Remember, Town Hall meeting October 8, 2025, Orcid Club start time 5:30 pm November 21, 2025, community-wide fall festival fund raiser. Petition requesting assistance-initiative to start-need volunteers?

3.	Meeting agenda items for conveyance of information.
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3A. **Ana to speak:** MCU is working hard to have DEP lift the non-compliance status. They are vetting the Magnesium injections as the magic pill to solve all. This is why it is so important all residents continue to call in sewer gas odors. This will negate MCU claims and their bandage solution.



3B. Elaborate: Why is this so important? This method is used to MITIGATE THE SEWER SMELL. This does not mean they have identified the system malfunctions or have any future plans to implement upgrades to resolve what is causing the problems. This is of real concern because of the upcoming expansion of the facility, servicing area and volume of sewage coming into the collection system within Oak Run

Town hall committee....10/08/25 SETUP 4, EVENT STAT 5:30 -8.
ORCHID CLUB.

3C. **KATHY & JOANN TO SPEAK** - upcoming event status November 21, 2025, club/committee wide, community wide bake off, Chinese action, basket raffle, Triva and silent action. Event SWT

Coordinator Kathy Friebris along with several event coordinators, Joann Keen, Mary Gualding, Randy Howe and Ralph Lambert and other volunteers who are working hard to organize this event. They need our support and we need to get the word out to all residents to support this fund raiser.

- 3D. MCU has refused to sign the DEP draft order of settlement agreement. What's next?

SWT developed and submitted a in-depth 2nd DEP Complaint on 9/19/25. Covering everything we have learned since the original inspection.

- 3E. **At the Federal level....Federal EPA meeting.....**Meeting holds out promise. The EPA (Sean) was very pleasant, studious, listened, asked questions, engaging. The meeting concluded by Sean indicating he will need to speak with several other divisions in operations, WWT and engineering. We are waiting on a reply. Let's keep our fingers crossed. A big thanks Linda Walters and Richie!

- 3F. Reminder, no information goes out unless it had been reviewed and approved by Ana Ortiz and contains our committee's seal. This applies to any facebook posts, group who may be aiding our mission, i.e. NH Reps, Clubs, Committees....to ensure accurate information. We are all in this together.

- 3G. Quick thank you and recognition to Past President who made a presentation during Neighborhood Representatives meeting and provided pertinent information to residents. Great job.....thank you.

- 3H. Communications: When called or asked to respond, your reply is needed for other actions. When delayed this causes the process or someone else in need of that information to be delayed in completing their assignment. We need to work in tandem with one another.

- 3I. Meetings: The Core or Committees, time is precious and there is much info the cover. It is expected the Core convey 15-minutes prior to a scheduled committee meeting to discuss or modify presentation. All Core members are essential.
- 3J. PROPERTY VALUES AND DISCLOSURE AND HEALTH. Confirmed with Foxfire Broker, sewer system disruption throughout Oak Run must ne disclosed.
- 3k. Diana to speak about code of conduct. Rules and law.
- 3l. Ana to speak, How we make a report and why? Give out copy of incident report. When phoning in follow the order on the form. This reduces time in transferring and documenting the reports. Also, consistency, meeting the point of the law. The verbiage is important, it means different things within the description of the law. DEP Chapter 62-640
- 3l. Neal to speak about findings, locations, dry flows, anaerobic conditions, deteriorating manhole covers and equipment in need of replacement, conclusions, importance to spread the word and make the calls. Time to get busy.

4.	Committee reorganization changes:
●	Kathy Friebis will oversee event planning and events. Committee members are Kit Leavitt, Randy Howe and Ralph Lambert and other. In addition, will handle treasury and ledgers.
●	Joe St. Lawrence will oversee SWT-Disturbance Monitoring Deputies. (DMD)
●	Keith Meneskie will oversee all media and production and related technology
●	Diana Diamond 2 nd Co-Chair will oversee administrative and operational functions, assist in organization, research and development.
●	Neal Rehse will oversee all wastewater analysis and planning.

	Mary Gualding will be our meeting Moderator/timekeeper, to ensure meetings stay on topic and moving along in a timely manner.
●	Ana Ortiz will oversee all the aforementioned and media post, training, communications, scheduling, agendas, etc.

4.	Establish day and time for next meeting (Open workshops)
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	Group discussion on gaining community awariness and making reports.
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 Time finished:

Adjourn.....

Posted by A. Ortiz-SWT Chair
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