

**Serenity Club of St Augustine**  
**Monthly Business Meeting Minutes**  
**January 21, 2024**

- I. **Roll Call:** President Rick Hamm, Treasurer Dorothy Pelosi, Activities Director Nicholas Wilson, Secretary Marc Trollinger, Trustee Tom Prescott, Trustee Larry Geis, Trustee Lawrence Wathen, one other voting member, and one non-voting non-member.

The presence of a quorum is announced.

- II. **Open Floor:** Nothing was brought forward for the open floor

III. **Reports of Officers and Committees**

- a. **President's Report:** President Rick Hamm had nothing to report
- b. **Vice President's Report:** Vice President Val Zukowski had nothing to report to President Rick Hamm. President Rick Hamm reported to the Serenity Club on Vice President Val Zukowski's behalf.
- c. **Treasurer's Report:** Total Revenue in checking and money market accounts is \$76,219.28. That is \$747.02 under this time last year. The unaudited income was \$37,346.99 for the year 2023, and there was an expense of \$37,164.84. Treasurer Dorothy Pelosi will be filing the required 990 form to the IRS prior to the March deadline.
- d. **Activities Director's Report:** Activities Director Nicholas Wilson reports that the Serenity Club website has launched. Previous month's minutes for the business meetings are now available on the website.

Activities Director Nicholas Wilson received quotes from two businesses about cleaning the gutters and tree services. Tree Medic Tree Surgeons, Inc. quoted \$1,750.00 for clearing tree branches six feet from the roof and removing the pecan tree from the parking lot. The board voted on, and approved hiring Tree Medic Tree Surgeons, Inc. for the services.

- e. **Secretary's Report:** The minutes for the last monthly business meeting were approved by the board.

- IV. **Old Business:** Nothing to report for old business.

- V. **New Business:** Activities Director Nicholas Wilson brought up that home groups are not having representatives of their home group attend monthly business meetings for the Serenity Club which was a condition for rent being lowered from 60% to 50%. President Rick Hamm said he would get with each group to communicate the board's position on having representatives at each monthly meeting, and the Serenity Club board would wait on voting on how to implement raising the rent for home groups that do not regularly attend Serenity Club business meetings.

A voting member of the club said that he did not receive recognition from the Serenity Club after becoming a member. The member said that a letter from the Serenity Club, or names on a whiteboard of Serenity Club members like there used to be would be appreciated and would help incentivize paying membership fees.

A prospective Al-Anon group expressed interest in hosting a meeting at the Serenity Club. It was decided that the Al-Anon group would have a group discussion about what open times at the Serenity Club would work for them, and the Al-Anon group would come back to the next business meeting to let the Serenity Club know what they thought.