

Town of Miami Lakes
6601 Main St. Miami Lakes, FL 33014

Blasting Committee Meeting Minute

March 10, 2020

6:30 pm

Members Present:

Chair: Miguel Martínez
Vice-Chair: Rudy Blanco
Secretary: Ivonne Moreno-Velázquez
Member: Esther Colón

Town Liason: Clarisell de Cárdenas

Guests:

Joanna Hurtado
Betty Cruz

Adoption of Minutes

The minutes for December 17th and February 11th were revised and adopted.

Public Comments

Ms. Betty Cruz shared her concerns about the impact of blasting in her property.

Elections

Nominations for the positions of President and Vice-President were presented. Ms. Esther Colón nominated Mr. Miguel Martínez as President and Ivonne Moreno-Velázquez nominated Mr. Rudy Blanco as Vice-President. Both candidates were approved without opposition.

New Business: Committee Objectives and Timeline

The Committee agreed in the necessity of increasing the awareness of the blasting impact to the community and proposed the following objectives in order to create awareness:

- 1) Develop a presentation for the team.
- 2) Take the presentation to the public in different events. Hold at least two meetings even if is in the same week.
- 3) Mr. Martínez suggested to join up with the Miramar Committee. He has visited the Miramar Committee and have offered presentations. Also, he suggested that the Committee members look at the Respect Project in the Blasting Committee Website,
- 4) Convene a Blasting Town Hall Meeting for an informative meeting, with video/live streaming, tentatively on Tuesday, April 28 at 6:30 pm.
- 5) Create an Education Committee.
- 6) Develop communications to reach the public and increase awareness. Ms. Joanna Hurtado suggested and offered as a strategy to achieve this objective, to prepare a documentary about the blasting in the town and its effects and upload it in the Blasting Committee Site.

- 7) Have a publication to communicate the relevant news. The Miami Laker was mentioned as an option for that purpose. Also, to create an Informative Bulletin (Flyer),
- 8) Update the Website
- 9) Ask the people that are blasting to share the monitoring report.
- 10) Create mechanisms for restauration and relieve for the residents that have suffered damage in their properties and determine who is going to pay. Find alternatives for them to stop bothering our communities and let us live in peace. Create a petition or mechanism through which the people, that have received damage could obtain restitution.

Announcements

Next Meetings Dates:

March 19 th	6:00 pm	Tutoring Meeting Team
April 14		Next regular meeting
April 28 th	6:30 PM	Presentation to the council and public

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.



Ivonne Moreno-Velázquez
Secretary