

**Harbour Heights Civic Association**  
**General Meeting**  
**Tuesday, October 12, 2021**  
**7:00 p.m.**

Attendance: Karen Pike, Martha Wilson, Brenda Beiter, Al Pike and 30 additional attendees.

Karen opened the meeting with a welcome to attendees followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. She then recapped the events of our September meeting.

Treasurer Martha Wilson reported that our September balance was \$13,704.

House Committee Chair Al Pike announced that we had new towing signs installed in front of the building, the tree was trimmed, and reflectors were replaced. He is looking for volunteers to assist in painting the interior of the center and power washing the tables and chairs. Please contact him to help.

Yacht Club Commodore Mike Doolittle mentioned that they have 80 members and meet on the 3rd Tuesday every month. New members are welcome.

The Garden Club meets every Friday at 11, if you wish to join them.

**GUEST SPEAKERS**

Kyle Brown, Gopher Tortoise Conservationist, discussed the threatened species. Some of the actions taken to protect them are permitting and education/outreach. Wounding or killing an endangered species could result in 5 years imprisonment and/or a \$5,000 fine. Contact [myfwc.com/contact/wildlife-alert](http://myfwc.com/contact/wildlife-alert) or call 888/404-3922 to report violations or sightings.

Barb Lockhart and Edie Driese then spoke for The Environmental Conservancy of North Port, Inc. They noted that the scrub jay is the only bird species endemic to Florida. A scrub jay family prefers 33 acres. March 1--June 30 is the scrub jay's nesting season, so please don't put out your bird feeders then because the babies need more protein than what bird seed can provide. Scrub jays also do not migrate.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Brenda Beiter, Secretary