

Crescent Lake Neighborhood Association

Board Meeting Minutes

April 6th, 2009

Attending: Jason Diviki, Carolyn Fries, Brian Overcast, Gary Crosby, Phil Celli, Nancy Wall, Mike Flanagan, Julie Simmons

Minutes reviewed, Gary asked that Treasurer's total amount be posted in the minutes. Last meeting amount total was \$2,239.22. Jason Diviki moved to accept the minutes, Gary Crosby seconded.

1. **Treasurer's Report:** Banter plus envelopes (\$544) with increased new membership, positive balance \$3,389.70 with future ad revenue in the pipeline.
2. **Membership report:** Megan reported via email, 82 total memberships on the books
3. **CONA Meeting Report:** Jason reported on the budget shortfall of 20 million city, 80 county, 1.2 billion state. Sunstar will be laying off twenty employees and one truck.

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4. **Lake Project Update:** Earth day 22nd, next lake workday the 25th. Usual maintenance will take place, including new plants and two floating turtle platforms, one on north end, one on south end. Dave Metz supportive of getting shared cleanout of watergoats with city. Gary will have ongoing communications with city. Leslie Curran and Dave Metz both support project. Watergoats reduce efforts of park staff by catching majority of trash and debris. Mike asked that the request made of the city be for the 100% maintenance of the watergoats.
5. **Speed limit reduction:** "New" sign up, playground sign up, speed limit signs changeover from 25mph to 20mph complete.
6. **Speed hump:** Hump on alley from 5th Street to Panera Bread complete. One way petition not approved by the city. New speed hump on 5th street has not yet been tiled over with brick coating.
7. **Easter egg hunt:** Event went off flawlessly, thanks to Rick and Mary Giglio. Elaine Larimer took photos of the event.
8. **Banter update:** Mike and Brian assured board that Banter will be out by end of month. Most column articles are in and editing process has begun. Carolyn mentioned that Grim Fairy Tales was filmed in Crescent Lake park by the "Godfather of Gore" and might make an interesting article in the Banter. Gary will add the treasury report to the Banter.
9. **CLNA General Meeting:** Mike suggested improvements to the meetings, like adding topical speakers. Suggestions by board members included" TBARTA on light rail, Tampa Bay water on water restrictions, and having the mayoral candidates speak at the meeting post-primary. It was further suggested that the mayoral candidates could give "stump" speeches under the Banyan tree. There was mention of including other local neighborhood associations. As the forum must take place after September, there was some consideration of how to incorporate the annual CLNA elections that must take place at the 4th Quarter CLNA general meeting.
10. **Calendar:** Calendar was reviewed. There was not enough interest to warrant a July 4 neighborhood party.
11. **Bylaws:** An update will be given at the May 18 meeting by Jason. The bylaws will be read. The bylaws will again be read at the 3rd Quarter General meeting, and then voted on at the 4th quarter General meeting. Gary suggested changing the minimum of general meetings from four to two.
12. **TASCO family fun day:** The board did not support the cost and effort of having a table at the TASCO family fun day. The board requested that Megan send a reminder e-lert to remind neighbors that the TASCO day is a good day to hold their personal yard sales. Carolyn to send Rich Wall a notice of parking rules for the TASCO event. Rich to contact TASCO regarding parking and trash pickup post-event.
13. **Banyan Tree:** Mike gave an update on the Banyan tree. He is in the process of connecting John, the arborist with the city. He will give an update at the next board meeting.
14. **Ticket dispersal:** Mike requested assistance on the selection of the winners of the Rays tickets for paid CLNA members as of March 31. It was suggested that the member names be numbered, and the names drawn at random. Mike will find the date of the game and will inform the board when to proceed with the selection of the winners.
15. **Recycle station update:** Jason spoke with the city regarding the trash accumulation around the recycle station. The city brought out their mobile vacuum cleaner and cleaned up the site.