Dixieland Neighborhood Association (DNA) Meeting September 18, 2012

Location: New Beginnings Baptist Church 404 W. Belmar St

Board Members in Attendance: President Mary Smith, Vice Chair David Whitcomb, Treasurer Karen Moore, Secretary Rebeca Whitcomb

The meeting started at 6:30 PM with an introduction of the officers and self-introduction of the attendees.

Karen Moore gave a Treasury report. Bill Haskell, Liaison to the CRA, gave the CRA update. He gave an update on the alley improvement projects, Fat Maggies, the old Vitos and reported that the Teacher's Exchange has moved.

Suzie Alvarez from the Police Department gave an update on crime statistics for the area. There have been a lot of vehicles broken into to steal women's purses when they are left on the seats. A good tip: Don't carry your SSN card and Driver's License together. An identity thief can do a lot with these two documents, and it will be hard to fix your identity.

Contact info for the police department:

Non-emergency number: (863) 834-6900 Email: tips@lakelandgov.net

The guest speaker was SPCA. They gave info and updates on the new medical center. http://www.spcaflorida.org/

A representative from the FPH brought forward an announcement that they are seeking to take over part of Drane Park to make a dog park. This is a public park owned by the City of Lakeland Parks and Rec.

There was discussion of the sidewalk projects and S. Lincoln.

The meeting ended around 7:30 PM.