

College Park Neighborhood Association, Inc.

Minutes – March 5, 2007

College Park Community Center
2393 Elizabeth Avenue, Orlando, FL 32804

Call to order 7:02 PM – Leza Tellam

Directors in attendance:

President – Leza Tellam; **Vice-President** – Bob Carr; **Treasurer** – Alana Brenner; **Secretary** – Monarcha Marcet; **Directors** – Anda Lucia Ariail, Darryll Clark, Nancy Glasgow, Claramargaret Groover, Miles S. Hardy, Monica Lochmandy, Jodi Rubin, John Ruffier, Susie Sherman, Bruce Thomas.

Leza Tellam, President CPNA welcomed everyone and asked for new members to be recognized. Mike Cronyn, Jackie Pollack, Kristin and “husband”, Steve Lynch, Matt Daley, Jill Dunn, Tom and Deborah Cook and Ed Bowes all stood up and introduced themselves. Leza stated that a mass mailing of the newsletter was done and gave thanks to Anda Lucia for her volunteer work.

Minutes from February 5, 2007 meeting – approved.

Presidents Report:

- Leza stated that newsletter issues being worked on are 1. how to get membership list on the website to send information and 2. on-line membership applications.
- Leza received two letters from Florida Hospital, the Sunday in the Park sponsor, mentioning “common ground” and community efforts. East Florida Regional Planning – DCA reviews land use plans – Land development issues. Leza has map and will share. DRI – mixed use, Hospital, living, retail, commuter rail stop. Leza has a preapplication submittal – the process will go for months. Leza will contact a Florida Hospital Development Representative and will ask if they want to present to CPNA. Leza asked for a CPNA volunteer to monitor, attend public hearings and report back to CPNA. Leza said most of the land has been acquired and she is not sure how much input CPNA can have.

Treasurer’s report - Alana Brenner stated the income was \$ 3780.00 (most being sponsor and Sunday in the Park (SIP) booths) and the expenses were \$ 2269.99 with an ending balance of \$ 15,102.57. Bob Carr moved to amend the budget to include a \$ 100.00 donation to Edgewater High School project graduation. Monarcha Marcet seconded and the motion passed with a voice vote.

Speaker:

Christina Johnson, Project Hometown www.projecthometown.com explained the Community Venues planned for completion in Orlando by 2010. The first venue would be the Event Center – cost estimate \$ 480,000,000. Some funds to come from increasing the tourist development tax by \$.01. The City of Orlando may vote on this March 26 or April 9. Then the County will vote to approve as an interlocal agreement. Q: What happens to the current arena? A: A “creative village” technical corridor is being proposed. Q: What happens in Parramore? A: Magic Johnson foundation is contributing for refurbishment. Q: Who will manage construction? A: The City will be bidding out and there will be an oversight committee. Q: Have other Cities facilities been researched? A: Yes.

Committee Reports:

- ❖ Membership: Bob Carr reported that membership contest results will be tabulated by SIP. Leza reminded the Board that they are expected to bring in 10 new members this year. Also Bob reported for Pam Lindon that Orange County Public Schools (OCPS) will hold a meeting March 22 at 6:30 PM at the Edgewater High School (EHS) auditorium to show preliminary designs for EHS. The OCPS staff and Architect C T Hsu will be present. This is not a public input meeting.
- ❖ Sunday in the Park: Lillian Scott said that Tuesday will be the last committee meeting. Volunteers are needed for either 12:00 – 2:30 or 2:30 – 5:00 shift. Middle or High School students can get community volunteer credit. Nancy Glasgow said that sponsorships received are \$ 7000.00 to date. Vendor spaces are almost sold out (60 spaces available and 45 sold). The forms are on the website. The plein air artists will be at event and an Oil of the Kerouac House is being donated to the Community Center. Leza said that a proof is being made for a poster (releases are being obtained for image) and poster will be sold at SIP and given out to new members who sign up at SIP. Leza thanks Pam Lindon for this volunteer work.
- ❖ I-4: John Ruffier reported attending a committee meeting and that a pedestrian bridge is being proposed for the east side of Lake Ivanhoe along with a gateway feature. He put in a request that all neighborhood approval be required, not just adjacent property owners. Information will be available at SIP.
- ❖ Community Meetings: Jim Pruett attended the Red Cross Damage Assessment class at the Community Center done with CERT and a Public Safety meeting at the Rosemont Community Center. He said that Mayor Dyer, Commissioner Stuart and Captain McCoy recommend that citizens keep calling the police and that more officers are being recruited.
- ❖ Crime Committee: Leza reported for Cleave Frink. Cleave is attending meetings and Leza suggests that he concentrate on expanding and strengthening the Neighborhood Watch (NW) groups. Information on NW and how to join will be available at SIP.

Announcements:

Sunday in the Park is March 25th at Dartmouth Park from 12 – 5 PM.

Mayor's Neighborhood Summit is April 28, 2007 from 8 am – 2 pm at Orlando City Hall. Registration is required.

Bob Carr: A benefit is planned for April 1 at Dubsdread Tap Room from 3 pm – 7 pm to raise funds for Beth Lawson's medical expenses.

Leza Tellam: Dubsdread's renovation is to start soon and the last golf tournament will be Friday, March 9 at noon.

City Senior Seminar on lending - "Don't borrow trouble" Wednesday, March 7 at 11 am at the Hal Marston Community Center.

Next meeting: April 2, 2007 at 7:00 PM at the College Park Community Center.

Adjourn : 8:20 PM

Signed:

President – Leza Tellam

Secretary – Monarcha Marcet