

# College Park Neighborhood Association, Inc.

Minutes-October 6, 2008

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

Call to order 7:00PM - David Rose, President

## **In attendance:**

President-David Rose, Vice-President-Bob Carr Jr.; Treasurer - Monarcha Marcet; Secretary - Miles Hardy; Directors - Jorge Borrelli, Alana Brenner, Loren Ford, Cleave Frink, Michael Heavener, Bertie Hunt, Adrian La Sala, Jim Pruett, Jodi Rubin, Eben Self, Bruce Thomas and 14 members/visitors.

## **Commissioner's Corner:**

District 3 City Commissioner Robert Stuart reported on a variety of events planned for the month of October, including the Edgewater High School Homecoming, The Ronald McDonald House holiday tree to be decorated in the Orlando Cultural Park in Lock Haven, and the annual Orlando Police Athletic League Walk-a-thon. He also reported on an innovative and cost effective plan developed by the city to remove spilled waste from a tract of land between Virginia Drive and Lake Highland.

## **Guest Speaker:**

Mr. Roger Chapin, Chairman of the 'Let Us Vote' citizen's committee, reminded the gathered group that the last amendment on the November ballot will allow the voters of Orange County to decide who Directs the Orange County School Board. He urged all to vote 'Yes' for the amendment.

## **Minutes:**

Minutes of the September 8, 2008 meeting were approved.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Income for September 2008 was \$655 with expenses of \$12.87. The Association's account balance as of the end of August is \$28,839.53.

## **President's Report:**

A gift of \$1,000 was received for the Association's operating expenses.

## **Old Business:**

Edgewater Drive Vision Task Force:

Bob Carr reported that the Task Force heard from the Edgewater High School Designers and asked questions about the impact of the redesign upon Edgewater Drive. The main entrance to the new school will remain centered on the Par and Edgewater intersection.

## **New Business & Committee Reports:**

Website Committee:

Adrian La Sala reported that the newly activated Café Press feature on the website has resulted in the sale of several tee-shirts and a recent peak number of website hits reached 69 per day. The Public Forum option has also been activated and all board members are encouraged to register for the feature. The Newsletter had been completed and printed in full color. Distribution by mail should occur in a short time.

Historic Homes Tour:

Jodi Rubin reported that the theme this year has changed to 'Small Homes'. 8 homes are already included on the tour with hopes to get up to 4 more. The 'Plein Air' painters will participate in the tour and the Jack Kerouac House is included. The tour will be conducted on November 16<sup>th</sup> from 12-5pm. Volunteers are still needed and a sign-up sheet was circulated to all in attendance.

**Slogan Discussion:**

An open discussion on the Association's slogan of 'Small Town - Downtown' was held. It was decided to defend ownership of the slogan only if challenged.

**Princeton/Smith Corridor:**

Miles Hardy presented the written plan to protect the Princeton/Smith corridor from detrimental traffic in the future and answered questions from the gathered group.

**Nominating Committee:**

Cleave Frink gave an update from the Nominating Committee. Bob Carr is considering the President post. Miles Hardy is considering remaining as Secretary. The position of Vice President is still wide open. Nominations for officers and board member seats are still being accepted. Contact Cleave Frink (cleave@mac.com) to ask questions and suggest nominations.

**Politics in the Park:**

The next 'Politics in the Park' event is scheduled for November 26<sup>th</sup> from 6-9pm. Advertising the event is vital to achieving a good turn out.

**Motion:** A motion was passed giving David Rose the authority to price, design and have 'Politics in the Park' signs produced. The content of the signs should be general enough to allow their use in future years.

**Crime Committee:**

Bertie Hunt reported that during the month of September there were 132 reports of crime in District 3. In particular, the CVS drug store was robbed this week. (The gunman has since been arrested). For a comprehensive list of each type of crime and its associated frequency, enroll in NICS. Contact Bertie at 'sherlock315@bellsouth.net' for details.

**Adjournment:** 8:40PM - David Rose, President

**Next meeting:**

Monday, November 3, 2008 at 7:00PM at the College Park Community Center

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President - David Rose

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Secretary - Miles Hardy