

MEETING MINUTES
EAST NAPLES CIVIC ASSOCIATION
March 4, 2015 @ 5:30pm
East Naples Fire Rescue Classroom – 4798 Davis Blvd

1. Call to Order

Vice-President Jeff Macasevich called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

Approval of February 4, 2015 minutes, *motioned George Danz, second Tom Cannon, passed all in favor.*

Attending were:

Tom Cannon, Neil Curley, George Danz, Chris Hagan, John Hooley, Jean Kungle, Jeff Macasevich, Barbara Miller, Marci Seamples, Christopher Shucart, Greg Speers, and guest Chief Kingman Schuldt..

Additions/Deletions to Agenda - Add EMS to New Business (Jeff Macasevich)

- 2. Treasurer's Report** – Christopher Shucart handed out profit/loss, balance sheet, and newsletter income/expense info. Showing good net income. Membership dues approx. \$4k, which was what the budget showed. Nancy Markham met with Christopher and they reconciled membership lists, etc. and will be entering each member name rather than just journal entry. Question came up on luncheon income, Christopher will check to see if 50/50 included and will change to a category of its own. About 120 newsletters are mailed each month. *Motion to approve Tom Cannon, 2nd John Hooley, passed all in favor.*
- 3. EN Foundation** - John Hooley reported they are in process of planning the December 5, 2015 festival. Looking for sponsors - 3 major sponsors, one at \$7,500, and two at \$5,000. They will probably have 10x10 booths inside for \$150, outside \$100 and expect some assisted living facilities to take some. Next meeting March 18th 5:15pm at Cardinal Management building behind CVS on Thomasson.
- 4. East Naples Merchant Association** - Barbara Miller reported the magazine came out and had nice article about ENCA Person of the Year. There won't be another Business Expo until next year. They are participating in Foundation festival. Meetings are at Physician's Regional on Collier in the classroom the 2nd Thursday of each month at 5:30pm.
- 5. Reports of Chairs**
Development - Chris Hagan reported Planning Commission unloading work to Hearing Examiner and things are moving rather quickly. Hearings scheduled March 12 for changes/uses Sabal Bay; March 19 Vincentian (Christopher Shucart asked to present new proposed changes at next board meeting.); March 26 two Racetracs, one at Sierra Meadows & a new one at Green Store/Joseph Lane area on US41 east trail. On April 2nd they will hear San Marina PUD proposed changes to eliminate the golf course and bring total units to 650. County commissioners looking to change C4 zoning for gas stations with more residential buffers and 300 feet from property line rather than pumps. Question came up whether this would be a "taking of property?" George Danz

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Development continued

reported he attended the Onyx (Santa Barbara near Rattlesnake) neighborhood meeting, about 30 residents attended, mostly opposed. Wants 1,000 SF single family or 700SF condos. George also attended Sierra Meadows neighborhood meeting, about 12 people there, no real objections to the Racetrac. Jim Pusateri reported Hibiscus can't increase density as there is no room, no county easements left to expand Rattlesnake. Zoned for 26 homes, wanted 84 condos.

Government & Community Affairs - Jim Pusateri reported he registered neighbor concerns on the weekend markets as to homemade food products and health dept oversight, which appears to be none. Some even cook on site. John Hooley reported his wife imports coffee to sell at markets and was approached by health officials that she needed to be affiliated with a restaurant to sell the coffee. Chief Schuldt was asked if fire inspections are done and he replied not at the markets unless they have a tent permitted 30x30 or larger, then the county flags it and sends to them to inspect. Neil Curley reported he received another water testing scam in the mail. Neil also reported the light at Lakewood and Davis continues to be on school setting on the weekends, so if someone pushes button all four lights go red. John Hooley has been calling and they said it would be fixed next week. Chris Hagen reported the traffic congestion caused by the Davis weekend market is pretty hazardous and feels they should have deputy controlling.

Membership - Christopher Shucart reported Nancy Markhan will put lists together for board member assignments for contacting everyone. Donna Fiala working on thank you letter. Neil Curley reported they used to have postcards to send and will bring the ones he still has to next meeting. Christopher also reported new shoe repair shop at Hitching Post Plaza has signed up as new member.

Programs & Special Events - Jeff Macasevich reported Nick Casalanguida will be March luncheon speaker, Sheriff Rambock April, and Mike Wynn (Ace Hardware) May. Marci Seamples reported Ace is looking for historical photo(s) of Lely High School for new store. Jeff also suggested we have small gift for speakers such as a coffee mug which was received well. Marci Seamples says she still has about 20 ENCA caps and will bring along to next meeting. Christopher Shucart noted Hamilton Harbor was not an ENCA member and he asked them at last meeting to join, they were unaware they were not members.

Publicity - Marci Seamples reported Russ Burland working on press releases to Naples News.

Newsletter - Christopher Shucart reported trying to get newsletter out earlier in month. March was just mailed, some have received. Looking for future story ideas, possibly do developments and Racetrac updates. Also suggested we add the newsletters in pdf format to website. Marci Seamples reported still looking for someone to help out with website. Jean Kungle asked her to send info and she will look into.

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Scholarships - John Hooley reported Foundation adding two new grant scholarships that would only be good at the Florida SouthWestern State College, formerly Edison College. They would be \$2,000 scholarships, \$1,000 from Foundation and a matching \$1,000 from college. The three \$1,000 scholarships from ENCA (two grants from Foundation) would remain the same, with same criteria.

5. Old Business

Physician's Regional/David Torres - Chris Hagen reached out to David Torres, then Russ Burland reached out, trying for next month to come discuss hospital's concerns/future.

6. New Business

EMS - Jeff Macasevich reported concerns with EMS "Off-Load" time at hospitals when they bring people in, sometimes taking them off-line for 30 minutes to two hours. George Danz added they have same problem on east coast during season, even with so many more hospitals.

Meeting adjourned 7:00pm (Tom Cannon 1st, John Hooley 2nd, passed)

Next meeting April 1, 2015 @ 5:30pm to be held at Cannon Fire & Life Safety Station 22.