

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

1. Call to Order

President Marci Seamples called the meeting to order at 5:37pm.

Approval of December 3, 2014 minutes, *motioned Tom Cannon, second George Danz, passed all in favor.* Approval of January 19, 2014 minutes, change date from 16th to 19th, *motioned Tom Cannon, 2nd George Danz, passed all in favor.*

Attending were:

Ted Beisler, Russ Burland, Tom Cannon, Neil Curley, George Danz, Angie Davis, Donna Fiala, Chris Hagan, John Hooley, Jean Kungle, Jeff Macasevich, Nancy Marham, Barbara Miller, Marci Seamples, Christopher Shucart, Greg Speers, and guests Chief Kingman Schuldt, Chief Alan McLaughlin, and Tracy Edmondson from Paws to Play Naples.

Additions/Deletions to Agenda - Add compensation for tax return and 501c4 work done by Mike Russo. (Tom Cannon)

- 2. Treasurer's Report** – Christopher Shucart getting acclimated as new Treasurer. Marci Seamples reported all the tax returns from 2007-2014 have been completed, except 2009 which was already filed. 501c4 is now reinstated and current. Tom Cannon reported it took about 40 hours of Mike Russo's time. It was suggested he get compensated \$500. *Motion to approve Donna Fiala, 2nd Chris Hagen, passed all in favor.*

2015 Budget presented. *Motion to approve John Hooley, 2nd Donna Fiala, passed all in favor.*

- 3. EN Foundation** - John Hooley reported working on festival, looking for sponsors, will have more info next month, meeting Monday 7am IHOP, festival to be called East Naples Music & Food Fest, to be held December 5, 2015 at Florida Sports Park.

- 4. East Naples Merchant Association** - Barbara Miller will be liaison.

5. Reports of Chairs

Development - Chris Hagan reported October was crazy month, dip in November, with bounceback in December. There are three public hearings pending: Onyx PUD zoned 27.7 units, asking for 60. 8.7 acres on Santa Barbara just north of Rattlesnake, 700SF unit, Miami developer. First neighborhood meeting Thursday, Feb 17th at 5:30pm South Regional Library. Hibiscus (golf course) 7.9 acres both sides of entrance, 84 units, going to Planning Commission, Thursday Feb 19th 9am hearing, good time for input after meeting with 1 month to respond with public input. Sierra Meadows PUD amendment (corner Rattlesnake & Collier) to accommodate Racetrac on the corner. Exceptions are 11 items (brightened more, signage markings, reduced landscaping, 20 pumps, etc.) It is zoned for gas station. Neighborhood meeting February 19th, 5:30pm,

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Development continued

South Regional Library. Donna Fiala reported high-end 175-bed independent living being completed behind Sierra. Reported owner doesn't seem concerned. Donna Fiala reported David Torres came back with new plan for Lord's Way, wants (300) 700 SF one bed units. Ted Beisler reported Naples Lakes Publix opened 1999. There's also a "new" piece of land in Henderson Creek which could be low-income or senior housing. And developers are back regarding County Barn/Davis. Chris Hagen suggested inviting to board meeting to make presentation, he will call. Donna Fiala strongly opposes increased density, roads will not handle. It was noted county staff can only tell what complies, not give their ideas.

Jeff Macasevich reported concern...hearing on the emergency scanner that ambulances are bypassing Physicians Regional on Collier and going to NCH downtown. With all development in area, the hospital is much needed. John Hooley reported his parents in Terracina Grand had to go to hospital and they were taken to NCH. Question is why are they diverting so many trips, especially because EMS/ALS are out longer making longer trips. Physicians is a for-profit hospital whereas NCH is non-profit. Seems lots of physicians leaving Physicians Regional also. Alan McLaughlin reported heart attack protocol is NCH. Russ Burland will contact Physicians with concerns and invite them to board meeting to explain what's going on as we do not want to see them go.

Membership - Nancy Markham reported about 100 members now. The list for renewals is smaller than last month and she will put together assignments for contacting everyone.

Programs & Special Events - Jeff Macasevich reported the 2015 speaker planning session went well. Russ Burland hosted at Chamber building. Will be contacting Nick Casalanguida, Wynns (Ace Hardware), Sheriff Rambosk, Mayor Sorey, State Attorney's office, and Rev's Institute to get started. It was noted Hamilton Harbor is closed in August, working on having luncheon at Botanical Gardens that month. Reminder Donna Fiala Town Hall Meeting Feb 26 6pm South Regional Library.

Publicity - Russ Burland will be new publicity chair, Greg Speers will forward photos to him. Will try to get more press releases in Naples News. It was also noted the paper reports all bad things happen in East Naples, even when it's not in East Naples. Suggested everyone write to newspaper at news@naplesnews.com which goes to everyone there.

Newsletter - Christopher Shucart reported newsletter in print now, will be mailed this week. Deadline for content around 12th-15th of month. Marci Seamples asked everyone to follow-thru if you tell Christopher you will be sending something. Budgeted for 9 newsletters in 2015. Donna Fiala suggested Jean Kungle send Christopher new manatee oxbow at Port of the Islands story.

Scholarships - John Hooley reported there will be more info at next meeting, (2) \$1,000 scholarships.

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5. Old Business

Public Records Forum - Marci Seamples reported the Forum is this Thursday at North Naples United Methodist Church. ENCA is co-sponsor.

6. New Business

Review of Committee Chairs - Suggested we get some members on committees, need committees to meet outside board meetings and report at board meetings.

Meeting adjourned 7:00pm (Ted Beisler 1st, Angie Davis 2nd, passed)

Next meeting March 4, 2015 @ 5:30pm to be held at Cannon Fire & Life Safety Station 22.