# MEETING MINUTES EAST NAPLES CIVIC ASSOCIATION

November 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 5:30pm.

Additions/Deletions Agenda - Add luncheon venue increase.

## Attending were:

Ted Beisler, Russ Burland, Tom Cannon, Neil Curley, George Danz, Angie Davis, Donna Fiala, Chris Hagen, Jean Kungle, Jeff Mascasevich, Nancy Markham, Barbara Miller, Jim Pusateri, Marci Seamples, Christopher Shucart, Greg Speers, and guests Chief Kingman Schuldt, and presentation speakers Scott Gerard, Dan O'Berski, Brendan Sloan, Jeff Nunner, Kristi Bartlett, and Julie Scemelzle

Presentation - Dan Hughes Development Group by Dan Hughes and Dan O'Berski. 6.5 acre Price Street/US41 Wawa project. Proposed access off US41 and Price St., granting access to bank in rear. They have 3 parcels, (1) C-4 purchased, plus (1) C-3 and (1) Res/Ag parcels under contract which they are looking to rezone. Presented PUD for comments at neighborhood meeting last night. 8 fueling station with 16 pumps double-stacked. Looking for variance for increased landscape buffer in lieu of wall west/south as neighbors requested. Challenges - purchasing the res/ag property to create bigger buffers and county has been available to work with them to get PUD with all 3 zoned C-3. Proposing 3 retail stores (on present C-3 piece) with 2400SF, 1700SF, and 3000SF spaces. Proposing 20,000SF on res/ag piece. Possibly lease at \$30-\$40 SF. Plan to create 30-40 jobs, 7-8 full-time, rest part-time for Wawa. Wawa is family owned in 6 states with 70 opening in Florida.

Presentation - Opportunity Naples by Kristi Bartlett and Julie Scemelzle (chairman, been in Naples 27 years). They are a subsidiary of the Chamber. Joint effort with Collier government, City of Naples, 50 or so residents. Funded study with Market Street, year-long effort with 53 individuals across the county. Economic development efforts with focus on diversification. 3-year plan adopted, almost completed year of pre-plan. There are resources for training for businesses. Industry that's good will be identified. 2007-2009 they retreated because of lots of layoffs, but created level of urgency. Arthrax right now has 100 job openings. Kristi speaks to business owners and runs day-to-day operations. There are 7 initiatives - Public/Private leadership cooperation, internal marketing, existing business outreach/retention, state/national marketing (no funds yet), pre-K to 20 training pipeline optimization, business climate dynamics communication, and lands available i.d./promotion. Lots of options available via grants, etc. Need to ramp up efforts for employees. Some companies looking at option to purchase homes for employees.

Christopher Shucart added need for more gap housing but needs more incentive, too many restrictions, and has to stay gap for 5 years. Donna Fiala added we need to train people before

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increasing new types of businesses. Christopher Shucart also suggested we need to have a voice and ENCA board member could attend meetings. They meet quarterly.

- 2. Approval of October 7, 2015 minutes, motioned Angie Davis, second Barbara Miller, passed all in favor.
- 3. Treasurer's Report Christopher Shucart reported. *Motion to approve report Tom Cannon*, 2nd Chris Hagan, passed all in favor.
- **4. EN Foundation** Jim Pusateri reported Festival update. Nancy Markham getting volunteers, Jean Kungle getting tickets, EnCompass ad came out yesterday, Naples News flyer insert 11/18 and 12/1. ENCA booth 11am-5pm. Need people to man the booth: George Danz volunteered 11-noon; Neil Curley noon-1pm; Christopher Shucart 1-2pm; Jean Kungle 2-3pm. Still need 2 people 3-4pm and 4-5pm. Santa will be there 1pm-3pm. Suggested taking donations for photo with Santa on their own camera. Need Santa chair and bucket for donations. Need banner, might be in storage, Jeff will look and see what's in there. Might be some hats we could sell.
- **5. EN Merchant Association** Barbara Miller reported next meeting at Lely HS November 12th.

## 6. Reports of Chairs

Development - Donna Fiala reported Lucky's Market is slated to open December 9th. Popeyes opening in GG. Dunkin Donuts purchased the car wash across from Treviso Bay and plans to have Beefstra's as a tenant also. Arlington contractor construction has caused move-in date delays and people are upset. Arlington has put some up in hotels as they planned and moved out of their past residence already. Contractor blamed fire department inspections, had meeting at her office, that was not the problem; the contractor wasn't ready for the inspections. Porsche dealership building at Davis/Airport NW corner. Sam's Club is having issues with purchase of Mobil station, so being somewhat held up. Benderson site at Davis/Collier may have to take down building within next year.

Government & Community Affairs - No new report.

*Membership* - Nancy Markham reported she sent emails to members for renewal and will send out with Mail Chimp Monday News also.

*Programs & Special Events* - Ted Beisler reported Naples Lakes wants us to have annual banquet there. Suggested menu is caesar salad, chicken piccata, fresh veggie, wild rice pilaf, chocolate bundt cake, and soft drink/iced tea at cost of \$35/pp. Tickets will be \$40/pp. Banquet at 5pm on January 25, 2016. Need silent auction items.

Publicity - Russ Burland reported luncheons are now published in Eventful and Facebook.

*Newsletter* - Christopher Shucart reported in process to get November out this week. Content is needed. Kathleen Passidomo is sponsoring, need 4 sponsors.

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Scholarships - No report.

#### 7. Old Business

Santa Run - Ted Biesler reported we will meet at Lely Presbitarian, same as last year. Andrews Square too crowed now with new credit union building. Run (Naples Manor) will take place December 12th, leaving the parking lot at 9am sharp (fire truck, sheriff, and possibly explorers), so show up about 8:30. Naples Lakes donating 50 sandwiches and the ladies are bagging the candy. Kiwanis will supply the water. Jean Kungle to get updated flyers to Ted. Santa's sleigh is at fire station, Kingman suggested if we can't get it out and leave at Angie and Leo's we could use station 21.

Nominations for Citizen of the Year - Need to vote at December meeting. Get your nominations in.

### 8. New Business

Report of Nominating Committee - Chris Hagen reported the recommendations are Marci Seamples, Past President; Christopher Shucart, President; Chris Hagen, VP; Jeff Mascasevich, Treasurer: and Barbara Miller, Secretary. Renewing board members would be Tom Cannon, Russ Burland, Neil Curley, Jean Kungle, Donna Fiala, Ted Biesler, George Danz, John Hooley, Nancy Markham, and Jim Pusateri. Two current board members will be leaving and the committee recommends adding MJ Scarapelli and Barry Gerenstein. The committee also recommends Bob Murray for Emeritus status. *Motion to approve Nominations Recommendations List, Jeff Mascasevich, 2nd Donna Fiala, passed all in favor.* 

**Collection at November Luncheon** - Salvation Army Toy Drive, please bring a child's gift to November luncheon.

Lunch Venue Increase - Costs at Hamilton Harbor are increasing from \$16 to \$18/pp. Beginning in February, luncheons will increase to \$20/members and \$22/non-members. *Jeff Mascasevich motioned to approve increase*, 2nd Tom Cannon, passed all in favor.

Chief Kingman Schuldt will be November speaker, Dr. Kathleen Patton December speaker. Chief Schuldt added the speakers are always interesting. Donna Fiala suggested we get a pickle ball speaker.

Meeting adjourned 7:45m (Jeff Mascasevich 1st, George Danz 2nd, passed)

Next meeting December 2, 2015 @ 5:30pm to be held at Cannon Fire & Life Safety Station 22.