

Palm Beach National Civic Association, Inc
Annual Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 18, 2010
7:00 PM
Palm Beach National Golf Course Clubhouse

CALL MEETING TO ORDER/ESTABLISH QUORUM OF RESIDENTS. Meeting was called to order by Steve Krupa, President at 7:10 p.m. He thanked everyone for attending. A quorum of the residents was established.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS SEMI ANNUAL MEETING OF JANUARY 6, 2010. A motion was made from the floor to approve the minutes of this meeting as written, motion seconded and unanimously passed.

INTRODUCTION OF AREA REPS: Steve introduced all the Area Reps attending and thanked all for their help throughout the year.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES:

President's Report: Steve Krupa, President stated that the Association must stay on top of key issues that might face our Association. There has been talk about either Wellington or Greenacres looking at Palm Beach National to annex into their communities. We must stay informed, so that we will not be blindsided by these municipalities. Steve and his wife, Mandy have taken the time to scan all old Association records and now have them available on the Association's google site for any member's perusal. An increase in communication is essential for the community. E-blasts have been set in place and launching some sort of a restricted website might be in order to enhance communication.

Treasurer's Report: Dawn Dickerson, Treasurer, stated that the Association's fiscal year ends on May 31, 2010 and will start a new year on June 1, 2010. Year to date balance in the checking account is \$679.45, Savings: \$2,615.08 and \$50.00 in petty cash. Some of this revenue comes from membership dues for 2010/2011 fiscal year. \$420.00 has already been collected for next year's scholarship fund and 57 members have already paid their 2010/2011 annual dues.

Scholarship Committee: Steve announced that Sue Amateis has served as chairperson of the Scholarship Committee for 8 years. On behalf of the Association, he thanked Sue Amateis for her dedication to the teens of the community. The floor was then given to Sue to announce this year's scholarship recipients. Sue extended a special thank you to Nancy Cox, who has helped her for many years. Best wishes were extended to Tammy Smith, who will be taking over for Sue next year.

Scholarship Awards were announced: Mary Kinch was awarded the second place scholarship. Mary will be attending Geneva College this fall and will be majoring in elementary education. First Place award was given to Eva May, who has partaken in our community events for many years. She will be attending the University of Central Florida. Each recipient gave an acceptance speech. Best wishes and a round of applause were given to both young ladies for their success in the future.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Steve asked for nominations from the floor to fill 2010/2011 officer positions. Steve Krupa was nominated and accepted to be President, Dave Ehlers was nominated to be Vice President, Alice Hodach accepted the nomination to be Secretary and Dawn Dickerson accepted the nomination to remain a Treasurer. Steve encouraged homeowners to get involved. Volunteer to work on a committee or become an area rep.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

- **Turnpike Expansion and Sound Barrier:** Steve was able to obtain a map overview of the future turnpike expansion project, which was passed around during the meeting. The DOT has already determined that there will be a need to erect a sound barrier wall on the western edge of our community and the wall will run north to south along the turnpike. The actual widening project has been delayed and the sound barrier wall could be delayed until 2013, but at least there is a definite commitment by the DOT that this has to be done.
- **Annexation By Surrounding Municipalities:** There has been rumor that this is being considered by either Wellington or Greenacres. At this time, nothing is confirmed, but all residents have to keep their ears to the ground and stay on top of anything that might evolve. Discussion was held about the pros and cons of being annexed. Most do not want to be annexed, which would result in higher taxes with no benefits to our community.
- **Code Enforcement Notices:** Steve mentioned that at least 60+ code enforcement citations were given to PBNCA residents for storage of boats and trailers on their properties. Discussion was held on the definition and ambiguous interpretation by Code Enforcement of how a boat or trailer needs to be concealed.
- **Foreclosures of Property:** Discussion held on ways to maintain property values and keep lawns and appearances up on foreclosed homes in the neighborhood. Lending institutions are not accepting responsibilities in doing this. At this time, fellow neighbors of these foreclosed homes are cutting the grass and looking after the property. Neighbors should report to proper county authorities open pools for safety reasons.

OLD BUSINESS:

Adult Social was held on March 20, 2010. There was a good turnout despite the threat of rain. A special thanks was given to Alice & Gary Hodach, Chris Denson, Dave Huggins, Dawn Dickerson and all the others who came out to help.

POSSIBLE WEBSITE FOR THE ASSOCIATION:

Right now the Association has launched a goggle group on the Web <http://groups.google.com/group/PBNCA>. Floyd, one of the Association's new members has offered to help set up a web page for the Association. More to be announced at a future date. Membership e-mails have to be updated and should only have one e-mail per household. All recent meeting minutes have been posted to our google group as well as membership application. The Turnpike Noise Wall map is also shown in pdf format. Anyone can access the Palm Beach County Crime reports for our community via the

Sheriff's Website. PBNJAM (Palm Beach National-Just Another Moms Meetup) organization is moving its website to a Facebook site.

NEW BUSINESS:

Membership Renewals: Membership begins for the new year on June 1, 2010. Area Reps will be collecting dues for the new year. Everyone is encouraged to participate. Dues will remain at \$30.00 for the entire year. This funds social events, meetings, insurance, newsletters and any important issues that may arise during the upcoming year. What a bargain!

More Fire Hydrants in the Association: Discussion held on this topic. As this issue has been extensively investigated in the past, it is not a cost effective or feasible project.

Sidewalks on vacant lots – Discussion held. This would be nice to have for aesthetic and safety purposes. Possibly needs to be investigated.

Natural gas pipelines into the neighborhood- the Association is wondering if anyone would be interested. If so, please contact Steve or your area reps.

Block Party in the Fall – for the purpose of meeting your neighbors. Possible date set for summer....more to be announced.

New Directories – Steve stated that it has been quite a few years since a new directory has been published. Possibly this new directory could be done electronically to save on printing costs. Steve is looking for someone to head up this task.

Newsletters – Steve and Mandy need help in writing the newsletters. Possible advertising can offset costs. Anyone who wants to offer a local restaurant review to publish in the next newsletter is to contact Steve.

Next Board and Area Rep Meeting – July 14, 2010 at the Krupa residence. Anyone can attend. Steve encouraged involvement. We are still in need of a few area reps. The area reps are lifelines to our residents.

SCHOLARSHIP 50/50 DRAWING: Holly Kinch won the 50/50 drawing for a \$140.00, which she donated all the proceeds to be placed back into the scholarship fund. Thank you Holly for your donation.

ADJOURNMENT: Before the meeting was adjourned, a brief discussion was held on the topic of holding neighborhood garage sales. Steve stated that this matter will be discussed at the July 14th Area Rep meeting and if any member has any feedback on this topic to please e-mail him before that meeting.

Meeting was officially adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alice Hodach
Recording Secretary