

**LAKE FOREST ESTATES HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION**  
**HOMEOWNERS' MEETING MINUTES**  
**Thursday, September 20, 2007**

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. at the Quarter Hotel & Suites, 12340 I-10 Service Road in Eastern New Orleans by Vice-President Alvin Cooley. Mr. Cooley read the agenda. It was moved by Mrs. Troyonia Renthrope and second by Mrs. Lorraine Dinvault that the agenda be accepted as presented. Motion carried. The minutes were read by Mrs. Carla Baker. It was moved by Mrs. Joan Heisser and second by Mrs. Sylvia Scineaux Richard that the minutes be accepted as read. Motion carried.

Mrs. Baker read communications from: Councilwoman Cynthia Willard-Lewis regarding FEMA Debris pickup and the burning smell in Eastern New Orleans; Representative Austin Badon, Jr. requesting volunteers to assist with the election; Lisa Genise from Lake Bullard Homeowners' Association requesting interest in having a homeowner's association workshop; and from Community Organizer Mai Thuy Tran Dang regarding the zoning change for a proposed trailer park at Chef and Read. No action was taken.

Ms. Mimi Nguyen provided additional information regarding the FEMA contract expiring September 21, 2007. Under emergency order the City Council will appropriate a budget to pick up debris. Neighborhood Leaders are requested to contact debris companies to submit proposals. RFPs or Request for Proposal will be issued by the City to solicit bids to pick up debris. Any illegal dumping should be reported to the Sanitation Department or the Quality of Life Officers. Private contractors are to pick up construction debris.

Mr. Matt Broussard, Communications Director with the City of New Orleans provided additional information regarding Mr. Dang's communications pertaining to the proposed trailer park. Individual property owners have been requesting zoning changes for their property in order to contract with FEMA for trailer parks on their property. Letters will have to be written to block such activity.

Mr. Broussard announced the grand opening of Winn Dixie on Chef Menteur Highway. For the first time in Louisiana History and the fourth time in history, the New York NASDAQ will have a live bell ringing ceremony to be held on Thursday, September 27, 2007.

**REPORTS:**

- A. Security.** Mr. Cooley advised that the Criminal Sheriff's Department patrols were suspended possibly due to a conflict with the City of New Orleans. A security schedule will be made available to homeowners. Mr. Lawrence Miller reported that the Board is waiting on additional security patrol bids to be submitted.
- B. Beautification.** Mr. George Baker advised that he no longer has the time to work as chairperson and recommended that someone else be selected to lead the committee. Mrs. Joan Heisser volunteered to be the Chairperson.
- C. Block Captains.** Reports were given for: Foxcroft Dr. (*six homes out of seven are in recovery with two trailers on premises*), Kensington Blvd (*32 homes, 47% occupied, 31% rebuilding, 3% for sale, and 19% no activity. Two problem homes and sidewalks in need of repair*), Lake Forest Blvd., (*no official report*); Waterford Blvd (*no official report*), Winchester Park Dr., (*no official report*) and Wright Rd. (*No official numbers. A lot of homes are occupied and a lot of activity is on the street*).
- D. Board of Directors.** No Report.
- E. Financial.** No report.
- F. Website.** Mr. Cooley advised that the Association is still in need of a Webmaster. Mr. Miller suggested that we consider paying a professional to do the job. No action was taken.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Cooley requested volunteers for the Holiday Celebration. It was the consensus of those present that the 2006 Committee consisting of Mrs. Brenda Badon, Mrs. Lorraine Dinvault, and Mrs. Brenda Smith be selected. Mrs. Badon accepted.

Mr. Mike Darnell introduced himself as our interim City Council at Large and advised that he will be working with Council member Cynthia Willard-Lewis. He is also a homeowner on Kensington, will be returning, and will have the blue tarp removed from his home shortly. He and his assistant, Lena Stewart, can be reached at 658-1070 until November 23-24, 2007.

Mr. Cooley adjourned the business portion of the meeting before the political presentations. Presentations were limited to two minutes with questions at the end of the presentations.

Mr. Badon requested to give his regular Eastern New Orleans report before adjournment. Mr. Cooley rescinded the adjournment.

Mr. Badon reported on the following events in Eastern New Orleans and the Legislature:

1. The Department of Transportation is working to clean the Dwyer and Morrison area.
2. The DOT in conjunction with the Planning Commission are working on the Amber Alert sign on the Interstate.
3. The State Police are now patrolling in 12 hour shifts on Crowder, Hayne, Bullard, and Interstate 10 including the High Rise. This service was provided to allow the City Police to patrol our areas.
4. Anyone needing trailers to be picked up should contact his office.
5. Write to WalMart regarding the reopening of its store and Sam's in the area. Letters should be directed to Tim Scott, Leasing Manager, 2001 S.E. 10<sup>th</sup> St., Bentonville, AR 72716, (479) 273-4859, [tim.scott@wal-mart.com](mailto:tim.scott@wal-mart.com).
6. 2.5 billion dollars have been allocated to Orleans Parish during the last session. 2.8 million dollars have been specifically earmarked for Joe Brown Park.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- A. Next Regular Membership meeting. . . . . Thursday, November 15, 2007.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

**Submitted by:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Secretary**  
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**Date**

**Accepted by:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**President**  
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**Date**