

Lake Forest Estates Improvement Association, Inc.

MINUTES

St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church Monsignor Gautreaux Center

Saturday, March 13, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:20 a.m. by President Steven Knott.

II. AGENDA ADOPTION

The agenda was adopted.

III. MINUTES

The approval of the minutes from the January meeting was tabled.

IV. GUESTS

There were no guests in attendance.

V. REPORTS

- A. Beautification Committee. Joan Heisser reported for the committee. The Committee has a plan design and has someone committed to do the landscaping around the Lake Forest Estates sign.
- B. Block Captains. The members discussed reasons for the low meeting attendance as well as suggestions for increasing attendance at future meetings. Henry King volunteered to distribute flyers to notify members about future meetings. It was proposed to have meetings quarterly instead of bimonthly.
- C. Board of Directors. President Knott reported that the Board has not met. He will submit to the Board the suggestion to have the meetings quarterly.
- D. Community News. Sylvia Scioneaux gave the report. A meeting regarding the city's master plan will occur in New Orleans East on March 22nd at Household of Faith Church at 6:30 p.m. ENONAC was in court about a multi-family property for senior citizens that has been under construction but where the building permit has expired. The owner argued that it had received an extension. Because the extension could not be proven in court during the hearing, the judge ruled that the property owner had to get a new permit. The new permit requires the developer to abide by the new building codes. It was noted that although the stated intention of the project is senior citizens housing, if the developer cannot fill the property with senior citizens, the developer legally can offer the units to other groups. There was discussion regarding apartments being in close proximity to the subdivisions. The master plan would require spacing between future proposed apartments and subdivisions. ENONAC meets the first Tuesday of every month. Ms. Heisser suggested that we ask individual members to make donations directly to ENONAC to defray the legal expenses it has incurred. NORA (New Orleans Redevelopment Authority) workshop is planned on March 30, 2010 for the subdivision presidents regarding blighted

housing. During the workshop, participants will develop a plan to deal with blighted housing in New Orleans East. The plan then will be presented to the community. The proposal to create a Borrow Pit in Eastover was rejected. Members discussed how Borrow Pits might impact the land surrounding the Pit and the subdivision. This issue will be addressed at a hearing on March 26 at City Hall. Members were encouraged to attend and learn what's being prepared and what area is the proposed site of the Borrow Pit.

E. Treasurer's Report. The treasurer was not in attendance. The treasurer's report was tabled to the next meeting.

F. Security. The security report was tabled because Roland Doucette was not present.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Taxing District Resolution. President Knott reported on the status of the tax proposal. The matter is set for the May 1, 2010 special election.

Dogs loose in the neighborhood. The pitt bulls are still present on Kensington and barking but are not getting out of the yard.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to address.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENT

Renaissance Festival. Ms. Scioneaux announced that the festivals will resume the last Saturday in May. On March 27, 2010, from 12 noon to 6:00 at 96511 Chef Menteur Hwy, there will be a New Orleans East Extravaganza. The event will include an Easter Egg hunt for the children as well as a bunny on site for pictures with the children at \$15 for an 8x10 picture.

Member Social. We will have donuts to encourage member networking before the May meeting. Linda Landry volunteered to bring donuts to the next meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 15, 2010.

It was moved by Lora Johnson and seconded by Ed Mayo to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:00 a.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

KELLY MCNEIL LEGIER
Secretary
Date: _____

ACCEPTED BY:

STEVEN KNOTT
President
Date: _____