

**NORTHDALÉ CIVIC ASSOCIATION
MINUTES
MARCH 20, 2008**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10PM by President Bill Castens. Directors present were Raymond Powell, Donna Tafuro, Cullen Logan, Ann Frisbie, Nancy Stearns, Nancy Wix, Claude Siler-Nixon and Frank Giordano. Absent Directors were John Stickles, Chris Cook and Joe Bourdeau. Guests included Marty Katz, Senior Advisor and resident Mervin "Trip" Stringer.

After the pledge to the flag during Public Comment, Trip Springer expressed interest in serving as a Director on the Board and assisting where he could with Deed Restriction renewals. On a motion by Frank Giordano and a second by Claude Siler-Nixon, Trip was elected by a unanimous vote.

The Minutes of the February 21, 2008 meeting were approved with two minor typo errors; the missing "d" in Board and the missing "b" in web. On a motion by Ann Frisbie and a second by Raymond Powell the minutes were approved as corrected.

The Financial Report was presented by Bill as the Treasurer had not had an opportunity to review the report prior to the meeting. That report dated February 2008 is attached to the records and reflects NCA assets at \$22,505.00 and OWLS assets at \$15,858.00 for a total of \$38,363.00. On a motion by Nancy Stearns and a second by Frank Giordano the report was approved as submitted. The new fiscal year begins June 1, 2008, and a budget will be presented for approval at the May 2008 Board meeting. Also an effort will be made to prepay as many "bills" prior to the end of the current fiscal year to avoid paying the IRS large taxes.

Nancy Stearns reported on the Communications Committee and indicated there will be a newsletter committee meeting at her home on April 15th at 2PM. Due to various circumstances the newsletter is late for delivery with the March/April issue and means are being taken to avoid significant changes to future issues by reviewing and changing content prior to deadline dates.

Due to Chris Cook's absence the Power Line Expansion Opposition Plan has been tabled until the April 17, 2008 Board meeting.

Nancy Wix reported that she receives her monthly update on sold properties in Northdale on the 9th of each month from resident realtor Chris Hoag. She continues to deliver Welcome Bags to new homeowners in our community.

Frank Giordano presented his plan for the ongoing Deed Restrictions renewals. He handed out an outline sheet listing the costs for renewals for Gables I, Bay/Levitt Units 2 & 3. Using the 60% Gables I approval count, each home cost approximately \$20.00. Including all homes, the cost was reduced to \$12.00 per home. The total cost to renew Gables I was \$3,560.00. B/L Unit 1 expired prior to our being aware of the date, Unit 3 failed by 4 votes and Unit 2 was approved by the required majority with a cost of \$506.00 @ \$9.00 per household. On a motion by Frank and a second by Donna Tafuro the Board approved proceeding with the 2 remaining Units in B/L, 2 Units in Fox Hollow due for renewal in 2008 and including Claywell which is due for renewal in early 2009, with expenses not to exceed \$3,500.00.

Ann Frisbie, chair of the annual Easter Egg Hunt reported that the event will be held at 10AM in Northdale Park. Volunteers hiding eggs should report at 8:30 AM.

Nancy Stearns reported that the Garage Sale will occur at 8AM on Saturday, March 29, 2008. She and Cullen will install signs the evening prior and US Lawns has been notified that no signs should be removed prior to Monday morning, March 31st. Ads have been placed in the St. Pete Times, Tampa Tribune, Carrollwood News and the county-wide Flyer. The Treasure Map instructions and map are posted on the website and incoming Treasure Map participant's addresses and items will be included on the webpage shortly.

Nancy Stearns will chair the Membership Committee with Cullen Logan assisting. The current membership letter will be reviewed for changes by both Nancy and Bill. Mailing to all Northdale residents will occur the last week in May. Also an updated County list will be obtained and sent to the printer. An inventory will be taken of prior member gifts on hand and if there is sufficient number to cover approximately 900 memberships they will be used instead of ordering a new gift. Claude indicated he would assist with the inventory.

Bill Castens indicated that the OWLS were in fine shape and membership renewals are arriving daily due to the efforts of the new OWLS membership chairman.

Old Business: On a motion by Raymond Powell and a second by Cullen Logan, the Board voted to change the Board meeting date from the current third Thursday of each month to the third Monday of each month effective with the June 16, 2008 meeting. The By-Laws will be changed accordingly.

Frank Giordano will invite Eddie Hamp to a Board meeting to discuss the traffic calming plan Eddie presented to the Northdale Special Tax District recently which includes the narrowing of Northdale Blvd. beginning at Dawnview and continuing to where the road already narrows just prior to West Course Drive.

New Business: Claude and Trip have agreed to chair the Pumpkin Run with a tentative date of November 8, 2008. They will set up a meeting and then advise the YMCA of their decisions.

The May 15th Board meeting is also the Annual Meeting and will be held at the Sheriff's office and include Board elections.....all present Directors agreed to serve another term. At the June 16 Board meeting the Board will elect its officers.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM on a motion by Frank Giordano and a second by Donna Tafuro.

Submitted by Nancy Stearns - Secretary