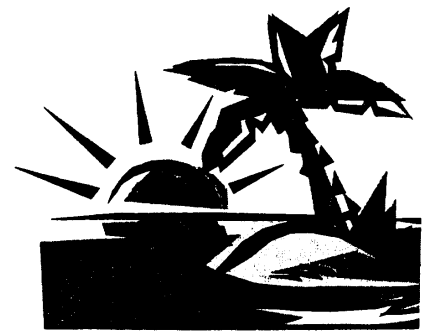


Coalition of Clearwater Homeowner Associations

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FEBRUARY 3, AGENDA

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Approval of minutes of the Jan. 6 meeting
3. Unfinished Business
4. New Business
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Committee Reports
7. Announcements
8. Adjournment

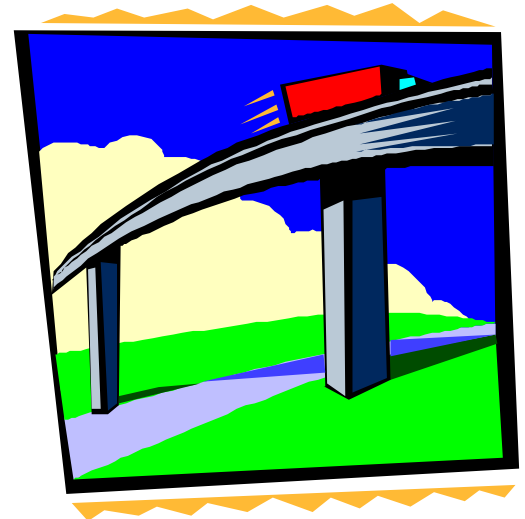
Valerie Larsen and Mick Jameson from Washington Infrastructure to speak on Drew St./Route 19 overpass

Planning for the proposed Neighborhoods Conference for Clearwater

Special appearance by the World Champion Tampa Bay Buccaneers (In our dreams)

GO BUCS
CONGRATULATIONS
TAMPA BAY

At our February meeting Valerie Larsen and Mick Jameson from Washington Infrastructure, the construction management firm overseeing the Drew Street overpass, will give a presentation complete with aerial photos. A question and answer session will follow. This project will impact many of Clearwater's neighborhoods, so here is an opportunity to become informed.



After our speakers we will hold our business meeting (you'll love our new format that moves things along) and continue to plan for our Neighborhoods Conference.

Does your neighborhood have a position on the short-term rental issue in Clearwater? This is NOT a beach only issue. How about the fixed span vs. drawbridge replacement at the Belleair Causeway? Does this affect you? Let us know.

When & Where

Monday, February 3, 2003 7:00 P.M.

Long Center Boardroom Upstairs
1501 Belcher Road ——Clearwater

JANUARY 6, 2003 COALITION MEETING MINUTES

*Have your directors
names or addresses
changed?*

*Notify Rich
Glasgow (791-
9317) to ensure
that you promptly
receive this
newsletter.*

1. President Sandra Curry called the meeting to order.
2. Guest Jeff Kronschnabl shared his thoughts and experiences from the Polk County Neighborhood Conference. Many options were discussed and a format and possible speakers were determined. See page 3 for highlights of the current Conference plan.
3. Minutes of the December 2 meeting were approved as published.
4. Jeff Kronschnabl gave us an update on the PODS issue. A trial is set for January 24. A motion was filed by PODS to dismiss. The court favored the City position on most issues, but says it's the homeowner's responsibility to have the POD unit removed prior to the expiration date demanded by the City ordinance. The City and PODS are compromising on the size of the sign on the units.
5. Representatives from Old Clearwater Bay expressed their concern with the proposed Marina project. Developers have proposed condos with 2 towers of 149 feet, which would be the highest building in Clearwater, right next to residential properties. A restaurant is to be placed at the current fish and bait shop site at the Marina, which would utilize the existing parking for the Seminole boat launch. This item is currently off the Commission agenda, but the neighborhood may need our help and support in the future to prevent the encroachment of such a large development in to their neighborhood.
6. Doug Williams and Rich Glasgow researched our current by-laws to see what is needed for changing the name of the Coalition. This action requires approval of the majority of our member associations. A ballot for mailing to solicit such a vote is to be prepared.
7. Treasurer John Doran reported that in 2002 we had expenses exceeding revenues of \$ 48.79. Our 12/31/02 balance is \$ 1,166.00, which includes \$480 in dues collected for 2003.
8. Julie Gomez and Mike Furlong from Neighborhood Services gave us more information on the City's matching grants for beautification. Grants up to \$ 2500 maximum are available to neighborhood associations for signs, sidewalks, entranceways, landscaping, etc. Those interested must attend one workshop to apply and must complete the project by September 1, 2003. The organization must have existed for 6 months and must have a checking account in the association name. Liability insurance is required if on the public right of way. The insurance required is less than \$ 500 and can be submitted as part of the cost of the project for the grant. Also proof that the project is supported by half of the neighborhood is required, either by minutes of a general meeting or by petition.
9. Doug Williams reported on the Chamber of Commerce. January projects include a Streetscape Forum on Downtown Redevelopment and Development on the Beach.
10. President Sandra Curry reported that we will have speakers at our February meeting on the Drew Street overpass of Route 19, as approved at our December meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 P.M.
Rich Glasgow, Secretary

Highlights of Neighborhood Conference planning

Jeff Kronschnabl presented a "Home Audit Handbook" suitable for handing out at the Conference.
 Polk County managed to attract 250 to 300 people on a rainy day to their mini-conference. What audience do we want to reach? Homeowners, new associations trying to form, and existing established but complacent associations seem to be our target audience.
 How can we get youth involved? We plan to do this at a future conference, but can't we still get some youth groups to help us execute our plan?
 The conference must be free to attendees, but we can get donations and sponsors to give food and help with the cost of t-shirts and other items. The City can not solicit funding, but they can provide us help with hand-out materials, speakers, etc.
 We discussed many topics for speakers and workshops including code compliance, homeland security, homeowner association legal and tax requirements, permitting for neighborhood events, insurance for boards, how to get people to attend neighborhood events, crimewatch and security, beautification grants, hurricane emergency response program, and others. After discussion the current Conference plan looks as follows:

- 8:00 –8:30 A.M. Registration
- 8:30--8:45 A.M. Opening remarks/Introductions Mayor Aungst
- 8:45-9:00 A.M. Emcee/Coordinator Don Bates
- 9:00-11:30 A.M. S.A.R.A. Program This is a very interactive program for building bridges and problem solving.
- 11:30-12:30 Luncheon with Keynote Speaker from MacDill Air force Base
- 12:45-1:30 P.M. Workshop Session One "Doing the paperwork: Legal and Tax alternatives" John Doran
- 1:45-2:30 P.M. Workshop Session Two or Keynote Speaker
- 2:30-3:30 P.M. Wind-up Session Bill Horne, City Manager

The Conference is scheduled for Saturday, June 14, 2003 at Harborview Center.
 Jeff Kronschnabl will aid us in getting the facilities and speakers, etc.

Come help us continue to plan for a successful conference at our February meeting.



How about a workshop with Jon Gruden on how to motivate and energize association officers and homeowners?

There's an idea!

POUND THE ROCK !

CCHA Membership Application

Association Name _____ #homes/condos__

Association Mailing Address _____

President _____ Phone # _____

Home Address _____

CCHA Rep. _____ Phone # _____

Home Address _____

Alternate Rep. _____ Phone # _____

Home Address _____

E-mail contact _____ Fax contact _____

Annual dues: Individual—\$25; up to 25 homeowners—\$25
 more than 25 homeowners—\$40

Payable to CCHA, P.O. Box 8204, Clearwater, FL 33785

COALITION OBJECTIVES AS SET FORTH IN 1981 AT FORMATION

Clearwater's Community Response Team handles code violations. To report a violation call 562-4720.

To minimize the residential owner's total cost for government services
 To encourage equitable taxation and service costs
 To encourage increase in tax base through development and redevelopment of commercial areas consistent with existing infrastructure and character of the City
 To encourage cooperative programs between the City and County that will reduce costs while maintaining service levels
 To encourage development of commercial and public facilities which enhance the special character of the City
 To encourage consistent and aggressive enforcement of City Codes
 To encourage improvement of water quality

in Clearwater Harbor, Tampa Bay, and other water resources
 To encourage development of programs which enhance the visual environment of the Clearwater area
 To encourage programs which increase the cost-effectiveness of police, fire, and emergency medical services
 To encourage development of Neighborhood Watch programs
 To present the homeowner's point of view
 To sponsor "get out the vote" programs and Candidate Forums
 To encourage open, representative, responsive, accountable, and effective local government
 To cooperate with other homeowner associations with the County

To join the Coalition's automatic email distribution list send a request to "Clearwater@pobox.com"

How Do You Contact Us?

Coalition Officers 2003

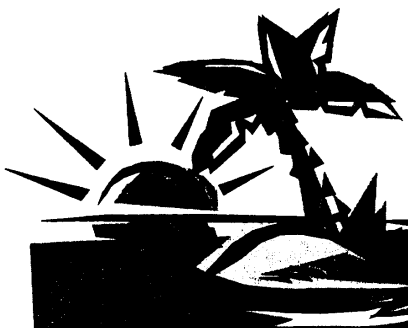
Sandy Curry	President	797-7244
Doug Williams	Vice Pres.	725-3345
Rich Glasgow	Secretary	791-9317
John Doran	Treasurer	447-9570

Coalition Committees

Membership	Rich Glasgow	791-9317
Tax Watch	John Doran	447-9570
Chamber	Doug Williams	725-3345
Gov. Liaison	Lucile Casey	726-5279
Environment	Allan Stowell	799-3500
City Code	Dave Campbell	725-1276
Publicity & Communications	Dave Campbell	725-1276

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