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May CNC Meeting

Monday, May 1, 2006 at 7:00 P.M.

Long Center Boardroom--Upstairs

1501 Belcher Road--Clearwater

Spring Fever!



Agenda May Disaster Preparedness Workshop-- discussion of the format and materials for the Neighborhood Plan to be presented at the Hurricane Preparedness Workshop..."Be Prepared: The Price of Paradise".



Membership Outreach--Report on visitations
 October Workshop--Possible Candidate Forum
 Neighborhood Issues
 CNC Summer Meeting Plans



Coming Events of Interest to Homeowners & Neighborhoods

May 3	8 a.m.	Beautification Committee	Municipal Services Bldg.	562-4832
May 3	5:30 p.m.	Downtown Development Board	City Hall	562-4024
May 6	11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.	Clearwater Historical Society	Fish Fry	Ross Norton Complex 804-2073
May 6	9-4	Clearwater Horseshoe Club	Tournament	Ed Wright Park 442-6409
May 6	7 p.m.	Fun 'n Sun Festival	Parade	Cleveland St. 562-4800
May 7	2-10 p.m.	Cinco de Mayo Celebration		Coachman Park 562-4800
May 11	noon	Cooking Class		Clearwater Main Library 562-4970 ext. 5284
May 18	5:30 p.m.	Florida Friendly Landscaping		North Greenwood Library 462-6895
May 20-21	10-5	Out of the Blue Art Show		Harborview Center 562-4809
May 25	1-3 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m.	"Be Prepared--The Price of Paradise"		

Clearwater Neighborhoods Coalition presents a workshop on disaster preparedness, which will focus on a strategy for neighborhood preparations for before, during, and after a hurricane.

MINUTES OF APRIL 3, 2006 MEETING

*Have your directors
names or addresses
changed?*

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

*Ever think about nominating
your neighborhood for the
Neighborhood of the Quar-
ter?*

*E--mail or call Becky
Melendez at 562-4585*

*Doesn't your neighborhood
deserve the recognition?*

1. President Sondra Kerr called the meeting to order. After those attending identified themselves and their neighborhood affiliation, Sondra introduced Howard and Gail Warshauer. Howard spoke briefly on two topics. He encouraged attendance for the Clearwater Main Street Dog Show and Pet Fair, which was to be held on April 8. Howard is also Vice-Chairman of the Clearwater Downtown Partnership, which formed about 9 months ago and desires to help improve downtown Clearwater. Visit their website at "clwdp.org", where you can find out about the organization and get on their email list if desired.
2. The minutes of the March 6, 2006 meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter.
3. As discussed at our March meeting, the secretary sent an email to our email listserve members, to help eliminate invalid addresses and remind everyone to respond with their current email address of preference. Of 68 listed addresses, 15 were no longer valid and have been deleted, 1 replied to change to a new representative, the 5 City officials were changed to the new City email designation, and 14 responded that the address was correct as listed. The 33 addresses which did not elicit an invalid address or a correct reply will be assumed to be correct and remain on the email list.
We discussed other ways to contact our members and prospective members, and may try a sample postcard notification of the meeting and agenda, to help boost attendance.
4. Treasurer's report was approved. Currently we have 14 paid members for 2006, so many still have not sent in their dues yet. Our expenses have included the annual State report, plus newsletter printing and mailing costs. Currently we have \$ 2,076 in assets, with about \$942 reserved for the Conference fund. Doug reported on the February 25 Conference, with sponsors giving \$ 3750 and expenses of \$ 3870. The big expense was over \$2000 for the portfolios given to each attendee. Sondra reported we are to receive \$ 1000 from the City Manager for our May workshop.
5. OLD BUSINESS
 - May Workshop "Be Prepared: The Price of Paradise"
Sondra reported a day and evening session of 2 hours each to be held on Thursday, May 25 at the Main Library. Mayor Hibbard will open the meeting, and City Manager Horne will close. The focus will be on getting neighborhoods prepared--working with Neighborhood Watch, developing voice trees for communication, identifying people who will need help and those who are available to help, creating "who to notify" lists, organizing walk-throughs, identifying medical personnel and CERT training for individuals, providing survival checklists and education on generator and plywood use, and setting up after storm meeting area, distribution points, and safety plans to secure the perimeter from looting--these are some of the ideas from our workshop planning committee. Good job, guys!
6. NEW BUSINESS
 - October Workshop We are considering a Candidate Forum with Morningside-Meadows probably at Clearwater High School. The general election in November will determine 3 county commissioners, a state senator, a state representative, and a Clearwater referendum.
7. COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - Membership Visitation--No visitations as yet. Sondra encouraged us to consult our list, choose a night, make contact, and go visit.
 - Neighborhood Services--Eric Wilson reported on another successful

Neighborhoods Day, with 21 neighborhoods visited. This was slightly less than last year, possibly due to being Spring Break week. Visitations were pleasant, with no major complaints. Most common discussions were on small Code issues, community problems, and traffic calming. Altogether a great opportunity for City officials and neighbors to get to meet one another. Liberty Bank won the Spring Business Beautification Award--they are located at the former site of Robby's Pancake House on Gulf-to-Bay. Imperial Park was named the Neighborhood of the Year.

Airpark Advisory Board Tom Calhoun was not present, but Sondra reported they are considering a name change for the airport.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Florida Neighborhoods Conference is to be held in Ft. Lauderdale on October 5-7. This is always a good opportunity to gather information and share ideas.

9. Meeting adjourned, 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Rich Glasgow, Secretary

In case you haven't noticed, the CNC website can now be accessed via the easy to remember link:
www.clearwatercoalition.com
Check it out. It's an easy way to access the minutes of the latest meeting, as well as quick links to the Clearwater City website and City Code. Another link takes you to the No Soliciting ordinance, and you can even download your own No Soliciting notice.

CNC Membership Application

Association Name _____ #homes/condos _____
 Association Mailing Address _____

President _____ Phone # _____
 Home Address _____

CNC 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 CNC, P.O. Box 8204, Clearwater, FL 33758

THE PURPOSE OF THE COALITION

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

The Clearwater Neighborhoods Coalition has been part of the community since 1981, and its ongoing purpose is to provide a forum for neighborhood associations to voice their concerns about neighborhood issues and to use our combined resources to address those issues effectively.

Issues may include:

- * Code Enforcement
- * Traffic Calming
- * Short Term Rentals
- * Street Lights and Signs
- * No Solicitation Ordinance
- * Crime

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

How Do You Contact Us?

Coalition Committees

Coalition Officers 2006

Sondra Kerr	President	447-9126
Bill Murray	Vice Pres.	531-0667
Rich Glasgow	Secretary	791-9317
Doug Williams	Treasurer	725-3345

Neighborhood Services	-----	Becky Melendez
Membership/Newsletter	-----	Rich Glasgow
Chamber of Commerce	-----	Sondra Kerr
Publicity	-----	Sondra Kerr
Webmaster	-----	Dave Campbell
Airpark Advisory Board	-----	Tom Calhoun



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