

February 2, 2019
CCNA Meeting Minutes
Waldemere Fire Station

Delegate Attendance:

District 1

Bayou Oaks: Absent
Amaryllis Park: (Absent)
Central Coconut: Gloria Armstrong
Gillespie Park: Linda Holland
Park East: Jon Susce
SHA Residents Council – Janie Poe: (Absent)

District 2

Avondale: Dean Anderson, **Bay Island Siesta:** Mike Rushforth, **Bay Point Park:** Robert (Bob) Bernstein, **Bird Key:** Absent, **Central Park Condos:** Donna Verstrate, **Cherokee Park:** (Absent), **Downtown Condo:** Richard Mones, Patrick Gannon, **Golden Gate Point:** Cathy Antunes, Judy Mower, **Granada:** Ron Collins, **Harbor Acres:** Joyce Cloutier, Mike Sullivan, **Hudson Bayou:** Martha Horton, **Indian Beach-Sapphire Shores:** David Morris, **John Ringling:** (Absent), **Laurel Park:** (Absent), **Lido Key Residents Assoc:** Carl Shoffstall, **McClellan Park:** June Cussen, **Rosemary District Assoc.:** David Lough, **San Remo:** Susie Shugg, **Shoreland Woods:** Carol Lackey, **South Poinsettia:** , (Absent), **St. Armands:** Hugh Fiore, **Tahiti Park:** Melinda Delpech

District 3

Alta Vista: Larry Silverminz, **Arlington Park:** Vanessa Mason, Mary Anne Bowie, **Fairway Oaks:** (Absent), **Glen Oaks Estates:** Norman Dumaine, **Glen Oaks Ridge:** (Absent)

CCNA Guests:

Officer Bryant Singley, SPD, Bryant.singley@sarasotafl.gov; City of Sarasota; Pearlee Freiberg; Eileen Normile; Barbara Campo(b.campo@verizon.net; Ted Wilson, PREP, Regency House (Featherstone-corp@yahoo.com); Judy Mower, Golden Gate Pt., Assoc.; Jen Ahearn-Koch, City of Sarasota, Commissioner; Susan Chapman; Lee Callahan, Avone Park, (leecallahan1@yahoo.com); Mike Adkinson; Steven Roskamp; Scott Ashby (scottashby@aol.com); Marlon Brown, City of Sarasota, Jude Levy, City of Sarasota

Minutes

Meeting call to order 9:00A.M.
The Code of Conduct presented by Chair.
Acknowledgement of Guests
Approval of January 5, 2019 Minutes. Motion to accept, Downtown Condo. Assoc., Second, Lou Costa, Approval by vote of aye
Announcement – Passing away of Natalie McCulloch (John Ringling Neighborhood Association, Delegate)

Reports

Police Report – Officer Singley, City of Sarasota Police Department (941-363-5828)- **Crime Statistics for City of Sarasota. “If you see something say something.** If you want Sarasota City police at your neighborhood meetings, call to schedule a time, date and place. Each Neighborhood given a copy of their Neighborhood statistics.

Chairman Report

- March 2, 2019, CCNA Meeting at the Bayfront Community Center, 9:00 AM
- Lido Beach and Shoreline protection update
- Bay Front Park Conservancy Term Plan for approval at City Hall Feb. 4, 2019 – What will be the commitment at the Commission Meeting
- 3x5 Card reminder for Neighborhoods who want to submit info. to the minutes

Treasurer’s Report - Norm Dumaine

Beginning balance as of January 1, 2018	\$2,366.49
Expenses	\$64.76
Membership Renewals (seven)	\$140.00
Balance as of January 5, 2019	\$2441.73

Neighborhood Reports

Alta Vista – No Card

Amaryllis Park – No Report

Arlington Park –

1. Proceeding with grant application to Sarasota Bay Estuary Program. As part of that, trying to remove glyphosate as an allowable poison inside the County-wide Integrated Pest Management Policy which covers property in the City, including parks, public rights-of-way and storm water corridors and ponds.
2. School Ave. street vacation still not scheduled for Planning Commission. Recommend Alta Vista Neighborhood and Sarasota High School be studied before any street vacations occur. CCNA Resolution has been provided to City Commission and staff for their review.

Avondale – No Card

Bay Island/Siesta – No Card

Bay Point Park - Proposed Resolution of the City Coalition of Neighborhood Associations Regarding the Selby Garden Master Plan – Take back to Neighborhoods to discuss for vote at March 2nd meeting.

Bayou Oaks – No Report

Bird Key – No Report

Central Coconut – No Report

Central Park Condos – No Report

Cherokee Park – No Report

Downtown Condos – 1. DSCA continues to request City Staff to evaluate tree root management options to save 27 Live Oak trees on Lemon Ave. rather than replace them with palm trees.

2. **DSCA supports Rosemary District efforts to have City use Park Impact fees, mostly collected from the Rosemary District, to acquire property to build new parks in the Rosemary District.**
3. **DSCA continues to support the need for more public input on site development plans in the Downtown area with at least community workshops.**

Fairway Oaks – No Card

Gillespie Park – 1. Submitted Neighborhood grant for succulent garden at Police Substation.

2. Positive activities – increased use of dog park, tennis/ pickle ball use, two (2) pieces of exercise equipment donated by neighbors.
3. Struggle to balance good activities with negative activities associated with homeless population. Homeless Coordinator Staff will be at February Meeting.

Glen Oaks Estates – No Card

Glen Oaks Ridge – No Report

Golden Gate Point – No Card

Granada – No Card

Harbor Acres – No Card

Hudson Bayou – No Report

Indian Beach/Sapphire Shores – No Card

John Ringling – No Report

Laurel Park – No Report

Lido Key- No Card

McClellan Park – No Card

Park East – No Card

Rosemary District –

1. Critical City Commission Meeting Agenda item – Parks
2. Master Plan included on Agenda
3. Two (2) PREP motions to endorse Rosemary Park Plans/Recommendations

Background Information – Population growth increasing; ½ of Parks Impact Fees ; County budget cycle; Early March cycle; Seeing City Commission support; time of essence

San Remo Estates – No Report

SHA/Jane Poe – No Report

Shoreland Woods – No Card

South Poinsettia – No Report

St. Armands – No Card

Tahiti Park – No Card

Community Open Forum – Neighborhood Issues – City of Sarasota

Updates: Overview – Marlon Brown

1. Monday, Feb. 4, 2019 City Commission Meeting City will be signing agreement with FPL to go to a plan where 70% of electricity to come from Solar energy. In the next 10-30 years electric bills should go down drastically for the City.
2. Provide direction for Blue-green algae and red tide, reintroduce standards for storm water
3. Plastics – banning plastics in the right-of-way.
4. Vice Mayor and STOP – zoning text amendment discussion

Previous Neighborhood Concerns:

1. Coon Key – MURT Trail completion in 2019. FPL Power lines will be buried after installation of new sewer lines completion in 2020.
2. Collapse of St. Armands storm water lid will be started on Monday, Feb. 4, 2019
3. Arlington – invasive species will be taken out within the next two (2) weeks
4. City Commission Meeting – asking to approve workshop on 2/26/19 to review Orchestra Hall concern
5. Budget will be discussed 5:30 PM, 2/26/19

Neighborhoods Concerns

Concern(s): Arlington Park – Thanks for painting the stripes on the road. FPL Solar farm in disrepair, need to consider this before signing any agreement with FPL; consider that it is important to consider other options before signing with FPL. Suggest do not move forward with FPL on Monday.

Answer: As per the Franchise Agreement with FPL, FPL is to provide power to the City. This hinders agreement(s) with other Solar companies. When the agreement with FPL expires we can negotiate with other companies. I will get you that expiration date.

Concern : The Bay and tax dollars

Answer: The City and the County will have to approve funds for the Bay

Concern(s): Golden Gate – Planning needs to allow Director of Planning to be in charge of Planning. Need to have more expertise in various positions. Need to be clear on who's in charge of what. Need cultural changes.

Answer: We have professionals, we have a Planning Director. If you feel there is a lack of expertise then we can have that conversation.

Concern(s): Golden Gate – Regarding new 5 G infrastructure, does the City have a plan of how technology is incorporated into the communities/neighborhoods. We now need to start deciding how this new technology will be coming and how we handle it.

Answer: Our hands are tied. Technology has strong lobbyist. Poles can be put anywhere and the City can not do anything about it. Get with your City Commission, find out who the lobbyists are with the County and the City and find out how these companies are managed. Reach out to these companies.

Concerns: Granada – The Historical Fountain not maintained. Look into this, there seems to be an electrical problem. Look into it to make sure the fountain is working and have someone maintain it.

Answer: Fountains are difficult, but we do have staff that can look into it. Every city has problems with fountains.

Concern(s): Storm Water – we had streets not milled just paved over, water can't get to the drain. Look into how to get the ponds cleared on our streets.

Answer: Consider it done

Concern: Park East – Affordable housing. Is it just talk and no action? Are there any proposals to keep young business people in our neighbors?

Answer: Recently the City had a presentation with the Florida Housing Coalition on how to best handle affordable housing. We need to discuss how to get the developers more serious about Affordable Housing.

We will be working on it.

Concern: McClellan Park – City goal of 100% renewal, is that every building in town, and when?

Answer: That is City buildings. We are trying to get Builders to do it by 2045, 50% by 2025.

Concern: St. Armands – MURT Trail, Australian Pines, when will it be completed? Is there a new map of the MURT Trail? A presentation was made to the residents, don't know if it was changed or what's happening? Are the Australian Pines coming down?

Answer: Will get you the information about the MURT Trail and the fate of the Australian Pines. Eleven (11) months for the water and sewer. But, **I will get you the information.**

Concern: Bay Island Siesta Association – 5 G is not going to stop what is planned for it that every street will have a line run on it, benefit is that the wires will not have to be run to your house anymore. Will be run wireless and money will be saved in the long run. Where are they placing the poles?

Answer: The amount that will be charged should decrease. The state has the final say on the charge.

Concerns: Hudson Bay – Work not complete

Answer: From Bahia Vista North will be done.

Concern: Pipes exposed.

Answer – Will check into it.

Concern: Alta Vista – 1. Can the City of Sarasota supply our own electricity (Solar Panels) without having to use FPL?

2. Plastic Bags – Paper bags are just as detrimental as plastic as far as landfills are concerned. Need to provide a way of composing the paper bags. City should be facilitating reusable bags.

3. Storm Water – not being treated adequately. Why don't we fix our own storm water? Why do we need to go to the State to ask them to clean the water?

5 G – Electrical magnetic fields going through our communities are not safe. A taller tower is just cosmetic, this means that the taller the tower the more energy it is putting out. City should lobby at the State level. The City, perhaps, needs to establish a position on that.

Answer: I cannot respond to that because I am not an expert in that field. We do have solar farms in Manatee and Sarasota County. We can only provide power to ourselves, we cannot sell it. St. Armand's Garage will have solar on top of it. Looking at what buildings we can put solar on top at this time. Plastic and reusable bags, I agree with you. That should be an encouragement for the City. We do have a recycling program. We have good standards in the City of Sarasota in reference to Storm water. The State controls the regulation of Storm Water. I think that the State tries to have Standards and controls that we can live with.

Concern: Maybe the City can bring in some kind of consultant about the electrical issue and the storm water.

Answer: Sea Grass, we have done a wonderful job, the grass is coming back. Moving to provide as much solar as possible.

Concern: Central Cocanut and the traffic, traffic signs not up. Bayside construction about to start. People moving to Publix will have a problem. Please look into the signage to help with the traffic.

Answer: Consider it done.

Downtown Condo Association - A cleanup crew was hired to clean up behind G-Wiz, trash is still out there. We would appreciate if it was cleaned up. There is stuff sitting out in the Median. Van Wezel drive has a speed limit of 30mph, which is too high. There is no sidewalk on that section of Van Wezel. Will talk to you more about the Lemon Ave. trees.

Answer. I am sure that you will.

Concern: Arlington - Solar Sped sign was not working on Waldemere. Now working.

Guest Speaker: Mote Marine Laboratory and Aquarium – Michael P. Crosby, Ph.D.

- History of Mote
- Research Institute (Global)
- Economic Impact 86M
- 200 Staff (80% Research; 30% Ph.Ds.)
- Need for growth as a research enterprise
- Make the education enterprise more accessible
- New Building -100 ft. tall, four story building, expand to 110,000 sq. ft.
- City Island will remain the Research Center
- New Aquarium – Benison Park (Lakewood Ranch)

Committee Updates

Tree Mitigation – Lou Costa

If you are having problems with Trees reach out to me. We are continuing to work with the City to mediate the tree situations. Additional information forthcoming.

Form Base Code– Ron Collins

No date certain for review to go forward to the Commission. Recommend six principals for zoning code changes. These need to be done first before other issues. Need more public participation. Will have more information.

Old Business – Discussed

New Business – Proposed Resolution of the City Coalition of Neighborhood Associations Regarding the Selby Gardens Master Plan. Information will be taken back to the Neighborhoods. Motion for CCNA to vote on Proposal at the March CCNA Meeting, Indian Beach/ Sapphire Shores; Second Golden Gate Point, Vote by consensus of “aye” by members present, 0 Oppositions, 1 Abstain

Announcements:

- Next CCNA Meeting March 2, 2019, Bayfront Community Center, 9:00 AM
- City Commission Meeting 2/4/19 – on the Agenda the Bayfront Conservancy

Meeting Adjourned 11:05 AM