Holiday Park Neighborhood Association (HPNA) Meeting Minutes March 17th, 2022

Meeting called to order @ 7:04 PM

Attendance:

Amy Possidente - President	Dan and Judy Holder	Sanz Hardtke
Donna Brickman – Treasurer	Candace Willis	Al Smith (Water Resources Dept)
Sheila Montante	LoAnn Walters	Jeanene Ruska
Mary Kovacs	Ted Ryczek	Janet Deane
Dr. Ed Carlson	Erik Brazil	
Ed Crowe	Melanie Goodman	
Anne Hasson	Mary Sinibaldi	
Val Jackson	Bill and Becky Jolley	
Debbie and Brad Dykens	Aron Bryce	

Schedule of Future Meetings:

May 19th July 21st September 15th

Welcome and Announcements

- Amy welcomed members of the Council of Neighborhood Associations (CONA) Leadership Class, of
 which she is one, who were in attendance. Class members visiting are associated with the following
 neighborhoods: Crescent Lake, Norwood, Euclid Saint Paul, Eagle Crest and Crossroads, and Stones
 Throw Condominium Association. Amy explained that the course has provided insight into the City's
 leadership and resources and that the class has met Mayor Welch, Council Chair Driscoll and Chief
 Holloway and that they have toured the new police HQ.
- Slideshow of news and upcoming events, including:
 - Thank you for supporting HPNA's 2022 membership drive!
 - March 26-27th: Holiday Park / West St. Pete. Food Drive to support St. Pete. Free Clinic. Please drop off your food donations for this great cause at either of the two "barrel host" locations (one north of 30th Ave and one south of 30th Ave): Wheeler residence (3158 62nd St North) and the Jackson residence (6371 26th Ave N). Please stay tuned on our email listserv and Facebook @HPNA33710 for further details.
 - o March 26th at 9:00 a.m.: Neighborhood Walk. It is a great opportunity to meet your neighbors and get in some steps as part of the City's "Get Fit St. Pete" initiative.
 - May 19: Special HPNA 30th Anniversary Celebratory Meeting: come learn about the history
 of our neighborhood and association featuring "Great Neighborhoods: Holiday Park" DVD,
 showing what the neighborhood was like in 1991; special guests; HPNA website debut; meet
 new Community Service Officer, Sean Nolin.
 - Beautification Award: think your neighbor is doing a good job with their landscaping? Send beautification award nominations to Debbie McCann: <u>drsmccann1@gmail.com</u> Award winners appear in HPNA's e-newsletters.

Guest Speakers

- Dr. Ed Carlson (Jungle Terrace Civic Association President) briefly addressed members and passed
 out petitions to those interested in supporting term limits for Pinellas County Commissioners. He
 explained that, years ago, the residents of Pinellas County voted for Pinellas County Commissioner
 term limits. Unfortunately, due to some legality, it was never implemented. He is asking Holiday
 Park residents to sign a petition to get this on the ballot as it is very difficult to unseat an incumbent
 once they are elected. 55,000 signatures are required to place on the ballot.
- Al Smith (City's Water Resources Dept). Mr. Smith provided a brief summary of the various initiatives and rebate programs available to St. Pete residents to save water both inside and outside the home:
 - Sensible Sprinkler Program, which provides City water customers with a free sprinkler system evaluation. Email SensibleSprinkling@stpete.org for more information.
 - Rainwater Rebate Program: helps limit the stormwater runoff and save outside water use. If you attend the free 3-hour course, you will receive a free rain barrel. In addition to rain barrels, St. Pete. utility customers can earn rebates by using rainwater catch devices such as rain totes and rain gardens. Visit www.stpete.org/WaterPrograms for more information.
 - Tampa Bay Water offers toilet rebates for low-flow toilets. Check your toilet flapper and spouts for leaks; use color tabs to see if toilets leak, as could waste 200 gallons a day (tab included in swag bag).
 - o Recommends putting a bib lock on your outside connections.
 - Water Resources will have a booth at the upcoming Green Thumb Festival, so please stop by.
 - The Water Resources Dept. is happy to do additional presentations based on the specific interest and needs of neighborhoods; Al Smith's email address is <u>al.smith@stpete.org</u> and he will be glad to respond to questions based on his presentation. Thanks to Water Resources Dept. for providing HPNA with the fabulous swag bags full of wonderful goodies and information about water conservation.

Business Items

- Amy called for the approval of the January 20, 2022 HPNA meeting minutes. Motion was given, second received and passed unanimously.
- **Treasurer's Report** Donna provided a brief summary of the financial position and cash balance of HPNA:

Holiday Park Neighborhood Association March 17, 2022 Report

Revenues:	2022	Year to Date
Memberships	\$	1,050.00
Donations		170.00
Total Revenues	\$	1,220.00
Expenses:		
Sign Replacements - Award and Meeting		190.60
Welcome Baskets		73.56
Total Expenses	\$	264.16
Net Revenues	\$	955.84
Cash Balance, January 20, 2022		1,061.83
Deposits		1,220.00
Expenses		(264.16)
Cash Balance, March 17, 2022	\$	2,017.67

- Elections were facilitated by Ed Crowe and held for the President and Treasurer Positions
 - Current President Amy Possidente was re-elected by unanimous consent and will continue in her role throughout 2022.
 - Current Treasurer Donna Brickman was re-elected by unanimous consent and will continue in her role throughout 2022.
 - The President Elect position is still open. Amy and Donna will be working to recruit neighbors who might be interested in volunteering for leadership roles in the association so that we can ensure that HPNA remains strong and active for years to come.
 - Special Request: Amy and Donna are looking for a volunteer who can attend bi-monthly
 HPNA meetings and take the meeting minutes!
 - Thanks also to Jeff Wray, who will continue his role as CONA rep throughout 2022; Laura McMurdock-Wheeler, who is HPNA's social media and newsletter volunteer; and Debbie McCann, HPNA's beautification award volunteer.

Ongoing Business Items

- StPete2050 and City Re-Zoning: Amy provided an update regarding the February City Council (Committee of the Whole) meeting. Many vocal City Council Members are supporting ½ mile buffer for City re-zoning as opposed to starting with the Major Streets, essentially re-zoning the entire City, while City Staff and former and current administrations have supported a more incremental approach. Amy urged HPNA members to stay informed about this topic and know that all City meetings are recorded: https://www.stpete.org/government/meetings agendas/index.php Key City Council votes on these issues will likely be happening starting in the summer. Members agreed that HPNA should invite Council Member Copley Gerdes to attend another meeting so that we can discuss these issues further.
- Paving and Re-surfacing of roads: HPNA is aware of the poor conditions of the neighborhood roads
 and is working with CONA to request of City Council that a larger share of the budget be used for
 road resurfacing. No roads in Holiday Park are set to be paved in year 2022. Amy urged members to
 continue to support HPNA so that the association can work on issues like this one on the behalf of
 members.

Finally, a congrats to our two raffle prize winners: Mary Sinibaldi and Judy Holder.
Thanks to Debbie Dykens for donating one of the prizes. And thanks to St. Vincent's Episcopal Thrift Shop in Gulfport for donating some of the items in the raffle prize basket.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.