# Holiday Park Neighborhood Association (HPNA) Meeting Minutes March 16, 2023

Meeting called to order @ 7:00 PM by Amy Possidente, President.

#### Attendance

Amy Possidente, Pres.	Carol Sacchetti	Jeff Wray	Charlie Stroup x 2
Donna Brickman, Treas.	Al Michetti	Andy Spenik	Kenn Koscho x 3
Mary & Bob Sinibaldi	Kathy Hendrixson	Sheila Wasserman	Michael Roger
Ed Crowe	Don & Mary Davis	Buck Roberts	Guests:
Jack Giacalone	Anne Hasson	Tracy and Mike Curley	Copley Gerdes
Loann Walters	Barry Randall	Carol Coles	Christina Mendoza
Valerie Jackson	Sanz Hardtke	Rosalie Gallina	
Pete & Joanne	Harriet Swartzmiller	Jean & Ken Pachulski	
Hoambrecker			

# **Announcements from Amy:**

- Thank you for sending in your 2023 dues. We will be using some of these funds to remove a Queen Palm that
  has died up at the median at 66<sup>th</sup> St. and 30<sup>th</sup> Ave. [Update: the City has agreed to remove this palm without
  charge to the association.]
- A big thank-you to the group of volunteers who helped us deliver February print newsletter copies to all 700+ homes in Holiday Park---we appreciate you.
- J.W. Cate Rec Center is soliciting daytime class ideas. Let us know if you have requests/ideas, and we will pass them along.
- It's Spring Break season and kids are checking car doors at night again. Please lock your cars and don't keep valuables inside. If you capture relevant home security video, SPPD can provide you with a link for uploading your footage. Our Community Service Officer info. is on HPNA's website.
- Our first West St. Pete. Food Drive in support of the St. Pete. Free Clinic will be March 25-26<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to the Lanning and Hardtke households for being 2023 Holiday Park collection sites.
- Monthly Neighborhood Walks continue every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month. The April walk (4/22) with be a Neighborhood Cleanup in partnership with Keep Pinellas Beautiful.
- Mayor Ken Welch's first "City Hall on Tour" / Town Hall stop will be in West St. Pete. at Walter Fuller Rec Center on Monday, 3/20. Stop by to meet and/or ask questions of the Mayor and City Staff. Family-friendly event with food.
- Friday, April 21: 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Earth Day Plant Giveaway / Plant Swap.
- Check in at our website www.hpna33710.org and our Facebook @HPNA33710 for updated events and news.

### **Guest Speakers:**

• **Dr. Bob Sinibaldi**: Neighbor Bob Sinibaldi gave a short PowerPoint presentation highlighting some of the content of his new book, *Ice Age Florida: In Story and Art*, illustrated by his friend Hermann Trappman. Dr. Sinibaldi noted that Central Florida is a mecca for fossils if you know where to look (i.e. how Fossil Park right here in St. Pete. got its name!). Many Floridians are surprised to find that Ice Age megafauna used to be found right in our own backyards, including mammoths, mastodons, and saber-toothed cats. These creatures became extinct 12-15 thousand years ago. Florida (and Holiday Park) was once under water and will be again. After his talk, Dr. Sinibaldi did a fossil show and tell and Q&A. Bob will be featured tomorrow (3/17) on Ch. 10 news at 6:30 a.m. Bring the entire family to the Tampa Bay Fossil Fest this weekend at the State Fairgrounds. Bob signed copies of his book at the end of the meeting.

- Councilmember Copley Gerdes: Councilman Gerdes reiterated that the Mayor and City staff (including himself) will be on hand for the Town Hall on Monday, 3/20. He announced that City Council will be holding a hearing and vote this coming Thursday (3/23) on NTM-1 zoning. Though proposed zoning changes will not directly impact Holiday Park, it will allow multi-family units on some single-family lots in St. Pete. The Councilman invited us to the Water Treatment Facility Open House on Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at Northwest Water Reclamation Facility. Come learn about drinking water sourcing and processing, how wastewater is processed, and what happens during a high-water event. <a href="www.stpete.org/WaterOpenHouse">www.stpete.org/WaterOpenHouse</a> Amy asked about the City Council Vote regarding the Palm Lake Christian Church building project and Councilman explained it was a Quasi-Judicial matter. There was a concern about young children driving golf carts and Councilman said he would address with our CSO. Tyrone Fire Station at least 6-9 months out and the property has not been purchased yet. Councilman will get updates about approved speed humps in Holiday Park---he is under the impression that price and materials have been the causes of the slowdown. Councilmember Gerdes' contact information is on HPNA's website.
- Christina Mendoza, Principal Planner of Forward Pinellas, would like input about Advantage Alt 19, a land use and transportation study focusing on Alt US 19 (aka Seminole Blvd., Tyrone Blvd, etc.) from Clearwater to the south. She provided flyers with a QR code for more information. Please let Forward Pinellas know what you like and what you would like to see improved along this stretch of road! https://forwardpinellas.org/

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

## **Treasurer Report:**

Revenues:		2023 Year to Date	
Memberships		\$	980.00
Unrestricted Donations			65.00
	Total Revenues	\$	1,045.00
Expenses:			
CONA Membership			45.00
HPNA Events			30.00
Median Maintenance			25.00
Welcome Baskets		_	83.38
	Total Expenses	\$	183.38
Net Revenues		\$	861.62
Cash Balance, January 1, 2023		\$	2,256.80
	Deposits		1,045.00
	Expenses		(183.38
Cash Balance, March 16, 2023		\$	3,118.42