

Greater Englewood Neighborhood Association Member Meeting Minutes

Date: 4/14/08

Location: Cuba Hunter Park

The meeting opened at 7:00pm by President, Jeanie Holler

Agenda:

1. Welcome & prayer –
The Lord's Prayer was given.
2. Chris "Dale" Monti - candidate for School Board Dist 3 -
Mr. Monti spoke regarding his candidacy for School Board in our District.
3. Announcements -
Jeanie recognized a few folks that have made an impact to our neighborhood since our last meeting. Recognized as "GENA Warriors" were:
Gerald Harper , Mike Butler, Frank Pierce, Billie & Lowell Griffith , Mandy & Mike Butler and Mave & Robert Chadwick for getting the newsletter out & delivering them.

Many signs have been taken down by Kelly on Emerson, Spring Glenn & other locations.

Mandy Butler has agreed to assume the lead on the Membership Committee.

GENA & American Legion Post 88 are teaming up for another collection for the Troops in May. This collection will be in time for Memorial Day & will be in honor of Lt. Cmdr. Keith Taylor (brother of GENA member Beth King), killed in Iraq 1/29/05. In hon or of Keith's commitment to wounded soldiers, this collection will also include items for hospitalized soldiers.

Two shipments will be sent (1) to a hospital in Germany for the wounded (2) to the field for those in active duty.

The Post is also opening their doors to GENA members on Memorial Day for hot dogs & hamburgers. The food will be free but donations will be accepted. 100% of the donations will go to postage costs for the packages. Please see the GENA website for a list of suggested items. Contact Vickie Kutscher for questions.

May 3rd – GENA "Yard Sale" at Englewood Baptist Church – proceeds will be used for more mass mail-outs of our newsletters. WalMart has donated hot dogs & buns. We welcome donations (flyer passed out with date, time, suggested donation items).

Litter Patrol reminder – meet at the "circle" this Saturday.

4. Updates from Scott Wilson -
Hudnall Putnam Drainage Project – There is a problem with concrete but they have started to do the main water line. Things are progressing.

Home Depot - Scott keeps in touch with them. Things are slow due to market conditions but they have not "stopped".

5800 University Blvd & Barnes Rd - There are 2 complexes there. A company plans to buy the property & build a retail complex.

A complaint was made about Spring Glenn to Spring Park Manor - tires ruining the intersection.

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5. Update on the Circle -
Jeanie explained the city was offering to pay for water that will go to the Circle to help with irrigation of landscape. GENA would be responsible for maintenance; the City would plant trees & install the water meter & sprinkler system GENA would pay approx. \$500.00 per year for water. The membership voted & agreed on the cost.

6. Business of the Month -
Billie Griffith presented the group with a handout listing the criteria for a business (or organization) to qualify. The “winners” will be given a certificate & asked to display GENA material. The membership voted & agreed on the criteria.

7. Neighborhood Watch – Lt. Gregg Grant
A very thorough update was given by Officer Grant explaining how to keep your home safe & prevent crime. He also gave an extensive list of recent illegal activity in the area to emphasize the need to help your neighbors keep the area safe.

Lt. Roger Highcove from JSO was also in attendance. He spoke of things he has witnessed during his midnight shift in the area. Several citizens asked questions & made complaints. The Officers did their best to help or explain for each scenario.

Reminder: our website is up and running! Go to www.greatgena.com to see.