

## CNC January Meeting Minutes – Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup> 2019

1. The Meeting was called to order by President Karen Cunningham at 7 PM at the Clearwater Rescue Fire Training Center
2. Introductions of those present.

### Officers Reports:

1. **Secretary Sean Schrader**, mentioned that the December Minutes had been posted onto the website and asked if anyone would like to make changes to those minutes. There were no requested changes to be made.
2. **Treasurer Doug Williams**, discussed that there was very minimal activity within the coalition's bank account. He encouraged members to pay their dues.
3. **Vice-President JoAnna Siskin**, had nothing that she wished to report on.
4. **President, Karen Cunningham**, asked members for future speakers and topics that they would like to hear. Whit Blanton with Forward Pinellas was a potential speaker that was brought up to give a presentation at a future meeting. She also presented awards to both Doug Williams, outgoing CNC Treasurer as well as Jack Mortimer, outgoing Downtown Neighborhood President for their many years of service and dedication to the Clearwater Neighborhoods Coalition. She also discussed how the organization should look at endorsements moving forward very carefully and whether the organization should endorse something. She also discussed the success of the holiday party and the great turnout that the CNC had at the party.
5. **Election of Officers:**

The slate of nominated officers was officially voted on as well as approved for the 2019-2020 CNC Slate. The motion to approve the slate was made by Bill Jonson and was seconded by David Lillesand. The officers are as follows:

- President – Karren Cunningham
  - Vice-President – JoAnna Siskin
  - Secretary – Sean Schrader
  - Treasurer – Shelly Kuroghlian
6. **Member David Lillesand** gave a brief update to members regarding the current status of the Imagine Clearwater plan. Any members wishing to see the report he presented should reach out to David Lillesand directly.
  1. **Officer, Clearwater Police Department** discussed how burglaries as a whole had decreased as well as violent crimes being down by 10%. He also discussed an active shooter incident that occurred at a residence on Cleveland Street and how the officers who were involved with capturing the suspect did not receive more than minor injuries.
  2. **David Lillesand, President Downtown Neighborhood Association** briefly spoke to members about what different goals he has for the association this year. This includes defining target membership areas as well as target areas of concern. He plans to approach 4 other large downtown condos to unify the association.

### **Neighborhood Representative Presentations:**

3. **Sue, Bayview Heights**, spoke about how she purchased a house in a crime-filled area and she created a survey that she shared with her neighbors about starting a neighborhood association.
4. **Glenna Wentworth, Morningside Meadows**, discussed how that due to the size of the Morningside neighborhood, it is split into 8 areas, each with a different “area director”. She discussed how membership is not required in her neighborhood to be a part of the association.
5. **Samuel Hutkin, Clearwater Beach**, spoke about how having ties/connections to the city of Clearwater can help get things accomplished. He also said that having patience and being respectful to others can help make progress as well as achieve the goals the organization has.
6. **City of Clearwater, Recycling Department, Sheridan Boyle** briefly spoke about current recycling in Clearwater. She said that the city currently has a 25% contamination rate of their recycling and how it needs to be lower.
7. **Lauren Matzke, City of Clearwater** discussed how a new neighborhoods coordinator had been hired and she would be present at the next meeting. She asked members to contact her, if they have questions via email at [neighborhoods@myclearwater.com](mailto:neighborhoods@myclearwater.com)
8. The Meeting was adjourned by President Karen Cunningham at 8:37 PM at the Clearwater Rescue Fire Training Center