

**Clearwater Neighborhoods Coalition**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**May 4, 2015**

President, Carl Schrader called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm. Members present, per sign-in sheet on file.

**Secretary's Report**

Shelley Kuroghlian presented the minutes from the April 6, 2015 meeting and asked if there were any additions or corrections. Motion by Lee Mortimer, 2nd by Spencer Cook to accept minutes a presented. Approved unanimously.

**Treasurers Report**

Doug Williams presented the CNC financial information as of April 30, 2015. Motion made by to accept the report as written, 2<sup>nd</sup> by JoAnna Siskin. Approved unanimously.

**Old Business**

Urban Land Institute – Jack Mortimer stated that there were 150 residents at the ULI meeting on April 13<sup>th</sup>. A number of people felt that they were not warmly embraced by the City Council. Seven residents did have the opportunity to speak (Joe Corvino, Jack Mortimer, Mike Bennett, et al). The city reported progress on a number of tasks but most of the people expressed the desire to move forward on Coachman Park. The next forum is scheduled for September which many feel is too long. Bill Jonson said that at the work session the City Council agreed to get an update in June. Jack Mortimer wants to have the CNC to nominate Carl Schrader the community member to sit on the(CRA CDP)/Downtown Devdlopment Partnership board to represent city residents. Joanna Siskin asked if the council wants the whole city to embrace downtown? If so, they need to be able to participate. Jack invited other neighborhoods to attend their meeting next Monday 5/11 @5:30 at Waters Edge. Crestlake Park was discussed at the council work session and the result is that the memorial will be started in the fall, ending in March with no capital improvement until 2017. Carl asked what the downtown group wants. They asked for 1) a survey to be conducted and 2) a seat at the table. Jack Mortimer made a motion that the CNC insist that it be the representative of the community and have a seat at the table. And that they canvas the neighborhoods to understand what the neighborhoods want. 2<sup>nd</sup> by JoAnna Siskin. Approved unanimously.

Clearwater Marine Aquarium – Carl Schrader indicated that the CMA has decided not to sign a lease on the City Hall property and has decided to improve the facility on Island Estates.

Membership – Karen Cunningham, Chairman – No Report

Code – Julie Thompson – No Report

Parade – Centennial Celebration – Carl Schrader, Chairman – The CNC has a jolly trolley rental and 2 banners. Jack Mortimer made a motion that we ask the CPD to join the CNC on the float. Passed We will May 18<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 @ Farmer Boy Restaurant.

Fall Event- JoAnna Siskin - Fishing tournament and Fish Fry sponsored by CNC/Skycrest. JoAnna contacted Katrina from Solid Waste regarding their sponsorship of the event. She asked for more information as to how they want Solid Waste to participate.

Neighborhood Crime Watch – CNC needs to meet with Chief Slaughter to determine if the CPD wants to participate and to what extent.

Community Garden – Howard Warshauer

**New Business**

Crest Lake Park – Joanna Siskin spoke about the partnership with Parks and Recreation to host events in the park. Events planned are: Drum Circle, Fire on the Water, Kayak Race, Reptile / Turtle ID, Birding ID, Art Event.

Book Buzz at Crest Lake Park - This Saturday at 10:00 am, the book will be “The Day the Crayons Quit”. Children will also have the opportunity to draw.

**Police**

Ofc. Hyppolite – there is now a new CPD App that can be placed on your phone to report crimes. Search Clearwater Police in the app store. There are still car burglaries in all neighborhoods and residents need to lock their cars.

**City Information**

Neighborhoods Day was a success.

**Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Doug Williams at 8:36 and was seconded by Spencer Cook. Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Kuroghlian  
Secretary, Clearwater Neighborhoods Coalition