



**MIDDLE RIVER TERRACE  
NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**

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***MIDDLE RIVER TERRACE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION INC.  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2014***

The December 8th, 2014 meeting was held at City Hall with 9 members present. President Domingo Cid called the meeting to order at 5:30pm. It was determined that a quorum existed.

Present: Domingo Cid – President  
T.J. Fiori – Vice President  
Steve Stahl – Secretary  
Donna Fiori – Treasurer  
Laura Croscenco – Past President  
Jan Palmer  
Charles Scheller  
Franco Gordina  
Joann Block

T.J made a motion to approve the agenda of the December 8<sup>th</sup> BOD Meeting and Donna seconded the motion. All voted in the affirmative.

Laura made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 13<sup>th</sup> BOD Meeting Minutes and Franco seconded the motion. All voted in the affirmative.

**OFFICERS REPORTS:**

The following reports were presented by Officers of the Board

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

Donna presented the following report:

<b>Beginning balance</b>	<b>10/31/2014</b>	<b>\$4313.76</b>
<u>Income:</u>		
Green Your Routine		1425.60
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>\$5739.36</b>
<u>Expenses:</u>		
FPL		10.48
Tree trim & Mulch – 13 <sup>th</sup> & Dixie		263.42
P.O. Box – Post Office 1yr.		80.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$353.90</b>
<b>FINAL BALANCE 11/30/14</b>		<b>\$5385.46</b>

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### **MIDDLE RIVER TERRACE PARK CONTAMINATION**

Laura stated that the property owner of the adjacent property to the South has not been doing the testing as required and she brought the issue up with the county and the bank will be fined and more results are due on December 22<sup>nd</sup>.

### **MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

Laura made a motion and seconded by T.J. to review the response we receive between now and February to decide if a US Mail mailing will be done to all current members that have not yet renewed. Also an individual e-mail blast mid-January to everyone on the Mail Chimp List (204 neighbors.)

### **ADOPT A STREET**

Steve has spoken to Ryan Henderson concerning the signage and he stated that the Parks and Recreation was taking over and he has been real busy and has not ordered the signs yet. He stated that he is going to shop for supplies and I will get bags, etc. for the clean-up and he will get the signs ordered soon.

### **DOCK DREDGING**

Steve has had conversations with Scott Wyman concerning the dredging at the dock and has asked him to find out from the City Manager when the list for items to be addressed are due to be completed and he has yet to hear back from Scott. Steve asked Domingo to discuss the timetable for the list with Dean to see if he can get a reply.

### **DIXIE HIGHWAY ISSUE AND CELEBRATION**

Nothing is moving with the celebration and Domingo is going to check the absences of Board Members and remove persons not eligible going by the by laws for absences. Domingo stated that we should add our celebration to the High School 100 year/new building project and hold the Dixie Highway ribbon cutting on completion of the project. Laura stated that she had to speak for us at a commission meeting concerning the Dixie Highway project not being in the plan for 2015 and there was no support and pushing from Dean on this and other issues facing our area and Bruce Roberts stated it was a 5 year plan and we can't re-visit the Dixie Highway project every month and Laura asked that Domingo question Dean about the issue. Domingo stated that he and Laura need to get together to discuss how to proceed. Joann pointed out that east of Dixie before 5 points in Wilton Manors 179 apartments are being constructed and will add additional congestion to Dixie Highway and 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **DISCOUNT CARDS**

Domingo stated that he spoke to Robert Oelke - Board Member At Large - Lake Ridge and he stated that the plans for a discount card have been abandoned.

### **CABOOSE / HOMELESS ISSUE**

Domingo is not happy with the current signage at the caboose and he is going to ask Dean for the name and address of the owner and he will send him a letter requesting permission to post a sign on the caboose.

### **SMARTWATER**

Domingo asked the question if we want to do a door to door distribution. His concern is we do not know where and who the kits were distributed to know where to start. Laura said we need to contact Chief Adderly for that information.

### **CODE ENFORCEMENT ISSUES**

A number of issues were brought up: Overgrown bushes at the park, tree problem at Dixie and 17<sup>th</sup> Court, Graffiti on the side of the building at Dixie and 13<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and Dixie at the mailbox has potholes. Steve to send the name of the current code enforcement contact for our neighborhood.

### **PROBLEM WITH RR BRIDGE EAST OF DIXIE HIGHWAY**

Neighbors have complained about excessive noise and vibrations on NextDoor and using MPO, they gave Steve contacts to the FEC and All Aboard Florida and when I hear back from them, I will address their concerns on NextDoor.

### **ISSUES WITH TORN DOWN SIGN AND SIDEWALK ISSUES**

Laura brought up the fact that it needs to be brought up with Dean concerning our monuments and getting a sidewalk on the south side of 16<sup>th</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. Domingo stated that nothing is moving in our neighborhood with Dean's help and he is going to address it with Hal.

### **CRA UPDATE**

There are still unknowns concerning zoning and building heights yet to be determined. Maps were shown to visualize what has been discussed to this point. Domingo has discussed the issue with Dean that there is not enough neighborhood representation at the CRA.

### **HOMELESS**

The city needs to build or make available sufficient space and services not only to feed, but house, counsel and address the problems of the homeless. The high school is designated as a possible site for social services. We object to any move of the homeless to our neighborhood.

### **BY LAW REVIEW**

Everyone should review the bylaws and suggest changes and send them to the chair of the By Law Committee – Dick Eaton.

### **JOHNNY'S**

At the meeting held at the 13<sup>th</sup> St. Alliance concerning Johnny's the Lake Ridge Association abstained from voting, so it was not a unanimous agreement to accept the business.

### **CRIME MEETINGS**

Domingo stated that the crime meetings were a waste of time and we have Tom Gestal who takes care of all of our problems. Laura said we need to bring up the issue at our general meeting to determine if we need to have crime meetings. Steve stated that he didn't think that all of the information is getting to the proper meeting.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Donna to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by TJ. The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Steve Stahl, Secretary MRTNA