

# EIHOA General Membership Meeting Minutes

December 11, 2018

**Location** - Tammany Yacht Club

**Time** - 7:05-8:20pm

**Note Taker** - Suzanne Bertoniere

**Attendance** - Suzanne Bertoniere, LaTanye Black, Jerri Candebat, Cindy Franatovich, Catherine Hammel, Deb Horrocks, Sarah Landry, Virgil Landry, Enrae Lanfredi, Tim Sykes

**Absent** - Beth Applewhite

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President Tim Sykes called the meeting to order.

Members stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **FOOD SPONSOR**

**Jersey Mike's Subs** on Front St. In their absence, Deb spoke on their behalf.

## **GUEST SPEAKER**

**Mary DuBuisson, our newly elected State Representative**, thanked everyone who supported her. She mentioned she lives in our area as well, and the levees and flood issue is very important to her.

## **READING OF THE MINUTES**

There was a motion to table the reading of the minutes.

## **TREASURY REPORT**

- **The 2019 Budget** was voted on and passed unanimously.

- Enrae Lanfredi announced neighbors can pay their **2019 EIHOA membership dues** tonight by check or credit card, and they can also pay on the website. There is a \$4.50 added charge for credit card payments.

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

### **Report of the Standing Committees:**

#### **Neighborhood Watch**

- **National Night Out** was held on Tue, 10/16 this year, and Suzanne was pleased with the attendance of 93 neighbors coming out to 4 driveway parties (one party was hosted by the association and 3 were Neighborhood Watch parties, our first year). Many officers, firemen and political candidates were out visiting the parties.

- **Speeding and running stop signs in the neighborhood** - There was a bad accident last week involving 2 neighbors at the intersection of Windward Passage and Eden Isles Blvd. The accident reminded many neighbors of accidents they have seen over the years due to these circumstances and continue to see. It is scary for neighbors to walk or ride a bike in the neighborhood. Suzanne said this promoted her to contact Cpl Cleland, in the Traffic Division of STPSO. There are only 2 traffic officers for this area. He said 8 out of 10 tickets given in our area are to elderly neighbors that live here. He wanted neighbors to know they are very aware of the traffic on the boulevard, and when they have extra time, they patrol out here. Eden Isles is on their "Extra Patrol Log". He said as this area continues to grow, traffic will continue to increase on the boulevard. Cpl Cleland said the squeaky wheel gets the grease. When neighbors see an influx of speeders, call and ask to speak with a **traffic deputy**. He mentioned a subdivision on Herwig Bluff Road purchased a **permanent digital speed limit sign** and as drivers see how fast they are going, they do slow down - just a suggestion. His department would be happy to come speak at one of our general membership meetings.

- **Suzanne spoke of 4 messages Block Captains have sent to their designated neighbors this past quarter:**
- **Sept 12 shooting** - we were able to give our neighbors details from the police, not the rumors going around.
- Oct 31 - through Nextdoor we were alerted of **4 cars and a home broken into** in two subdivisions near us. We reminded neighbors that crime continues, be aware, be safe.
- Dec 4 - a block captain on Valiant Lane and her neighbors contacted each other about a **suspicious man knocking on doors, asking for a job**. He did not have a license plate on his car. Neighbors called the police. Because Sandy and her neighbors have each others' phone numbers and know each other, they were able to contact each other about this suspicious person.
- due to the **vehicle accidents last week on Dec 5**, we informed neighbors and asked them to drive defensively due to recent reports of speeders.

Suzanne said she has information about what a block captain is about, if anyone is interested.

**Welcoming Committee** - Contact Catherine Hammel if any new neighbors have moved in on your street so she can bring them a welcome packet.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Tim Sykes - As a result of the hit and run to the Hwy 11 entrance back in the spring, the damaged camera has been replaced, and **2 license plate cameras** have been installed. This will help identify who is coming and going through our entrances. If a member-in-good-standing wishes to see video footage, they can contact a board member and we will email the time frame that is requested. If a non-member requests footage, they must contact the Sheriff's Office for information.

- Tim mentioned we are **updating the By-laws** and expect them to be voted on at the March General Membership Meeting. Someone asked about having a quorum to vote on it. Tim said 10% of members is the quorum.

- Tim said we are still looking for someone to look over our financial books for us. **Kenny Lanata** said he might be able to help with the **auditing**.

- Tim asked if anyone would like to be on the **2019 EIHOA Board**. The current members were voted on and accepted:

Directors:

2018 & 2019

2019 & 2020

Jerri Candebat

Tim Sykes

Cindy Franatovich

Deb Horrocks

Beth Applewhite

Enrae Lanfredi

LaTanya Black

Virgil Landry

Suzanne Bertoniere

- Thomas Thompson announced it seems to him **Eden Isles is becoming a friendly neighborhood**, more like what he remembers years ago when he first moved in and it was a lot smaller. He said he is not sure what is making the difference - possibly having a Neighborhood Watch with block parties, and younger neighbors moving in.

### **DOOR PRIZES**

We had numerous door prizes donated by Cindy Franatovich and Jerri Candebat

### **50/50**

The total was \$93. \$47 to EIHOA, and \$46 to the winner, Mary DuBuisson. Mary donated her winnings to EIHOA.

Meeting was adjourned.

**34 people signed in for the meeting attendance.**