

Dixieland Neighborhood Association (DNA) Meeting: Tuesday, June 15, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm. Attendees introduced themselves to the group. Our Liaison Officer James Henry was introduced and made his cards available. Anna Ricks spoke briefly about crime prevention and hurricane preparedness. She also had information on registering for the National Night out on Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>. The non-emergency number for LPD was given out 863-834-6969.

Mary Smith announced that Commissioner Don Salvage had contacted the neighborhood association about becoming more familiar with the area and problems that exist. Mary and Faye Moore had the opportunity to meet with him prior to the DNA meeting to show him around the neighborhood. He was unable to attend this month's meeting.

The issues of traffic and crime problems on Park Street were presented by residents who live on that street. Rick Perez discussed the process for petitioning for having a traffic study done to determine if the City of Lakeland will implement traffic calming measures on that street.

A few follow up questions regarding the FPH were read by a resident, and an open discussion time was permitted at the end of the meeting. Lynn Schindler from the City Historic Board was present and gave a response to questions regarding how the FPH has followed the historic preservation guidelines in the past.

It was suggested by a resident that John Hayne should have been invited on behalf of the FPH to respond to questions, but the time allotted in this month's meeting agenda was intended only as an update and chance for residents who wanted to comment on last month's meeting. The FPH, City of Lakeland and DNA clearly expressed their stance on the issues at the May meeting and a Q & A discussion did take place at the May meeting. The June meeting was not intended to be an official follow-up forum to discuss the FPH plans. A follow-up meeting may be considered in the future, and the possibility of such was expressed in the June meeting.