

Dixieland Neighborhood Association (DNA) Meeting January 18, 2011

The meeting started around 6:30pm with introductions of attendees. The Business Spotlight was from Raffa Naturals at the Black Swan. The Black Swan Bazaar is moving to Downtown Lakeland and out of the Dixieland CRA district. New location is at 229 N Kentucky Ave.

Ann Marie Wendall from Neighborhood Services spoke about crisis intervention, bicycle police, and how to work with people who are in a crisis situation.

Danny gave the Code Enforcement update.

Discussion was held regarding people setting dogs off-leash at Drane Park and incidents where people have come close to being harmed by loose animals. The issue was brought up that the existing signs are not visible from the street. The issue of numerous large reward signs in the neighborhood was brought up.

Rebeca Whitcomb was voted in to remain in the post of Secretary. No one else had come forward to run for the post.

The Historic Homes Workshop was announced for Feb 5th at Florida Southern College.

The Brush with Kindness Program through Habitat for Humanity was presented as a program to assist with people who may be disabled or unable to paint their homes. Candidate homes are identified, and the residents can fill out an application for assistance. The paint is donated and volunteers assist with the work.

The Annual Report was given by Mary Smith. The Treasurer's Report was given.

The meeting wrapped up by 7:30pm.