

Dixieland Neighborhood Association (DNA) Meeting September 20, 2011

The meeting started around 6:40 PM. Karen Moore gave the Treasury report and showed the new meeting signs. Attendees were given the chance to introduce themselves and the Board Members were introduced.

Office Adrian Rodriguez gave the crime report. Some problems were reported regarding A/C parts theft from residences.

Lakeland's new Police Chief, Lisa Womack was introduced and given an opportunity to address the attendees. She explained some of the changes that are being made within the organization of the police department, and that they are focusing officers on areas that need the most attention right now. Their department has several unfilled positions at the moment.

She asked the residents to introduce themselves to the officers when they see them and become familiar who they are. The officers need to be familiar with the residents to know who belongs in your neighborhood.

They have a violent and property crime initiative. Many of the thefts of vehicles and of property crimes are of people who leave their cars or houses unlocked. Open garage doors are the same as leaving your home unlocked, and unlocked doors limit what evidence can be used for a conviction.

The LPD website has changed recently. They are going to be using a service called Nixel to send out updates to those who sign up for it.

A Q and A time was given before the meeting wrapped up.

The meeting wrapped up sometime after 7:30 PM.