

Dixieland Neighborhood Association (DNA) Meeting on January 17st, 2017

Location: 730 S. Florida ave. 12 Members were present along with 3 LPD officers, and City Commissioner Don Selvage.

Meeting started at 6:30 PM.

Mary Smith quickly stated that DNA has a full board for 2017, with herself as President, David Whitcomb as Vice-President, Barbara Watkins as Treasurer, and Roberto Leider as Secretary.

Commissioner Selvage then gave us a quick report of city business. Code enforcement is working to get the house owned by Presbyterian Homes on New York Ave in order. If a street has pavers underneath the asphalt, the asphalt can be removed by the city leaving a paved street if more than 50% of the impacted residents consent. The city is working to have Florida Avenue Narrowed from Pine to Ariana St with two main lanes and one turning lane. The project would increase safety, and improve and renovate Dixieland. Selvage encouraged residents to get involved and have their voices heard at the City Commission regarding upcoming budget debate. He said that in order to get our priorities considered and approved, we need to have our voice heard at City Hall. He also encouraged the neighbors to run for the two open commissioner seats, as both himself and Mayor Wiggs will not be running.

Angie Ellis from the LPD gave an update on crime in the neighborhood. She stated that crime was significantly down in our neighborhood. She reminded residents to lock their vehicles, as most of the burglarized vehicles are left unlocked.

Mary Smith encouraged residents to get involved. Next month, will be bring a neighbor night, and she would love to see new faces. Also, the idea of a welcome packet for new residents with information on the DNA and local businesses was welcomed and to be explored in the near future.

The meeting ended at 7:35 PM.