

Minutes
Meeting of Brierwood Neighborhood Association
February 16, 2006 at Baymeadows Community Church

The meeting was opened at 7:05 pm by Chairman Steve Spicklemier. Officers present were Mike Hartell, Liz Yadon, and Karen Heesch. Board members present were Al Carter, Sue Mueller, Cy Sherwood, and Charles Staton. Approximately 50 neighborhood members were in attendance.

Spicklemier introduced the other officers and board members present. Board member volunteers from the north side of Baymeadows were solicited. Those stepping forward were Ray Balaguer and Kevin Shivar. We still need three more board members from the north side.

Rosemary Wesolowski, SE District Coordinator Neighborhood Services Division of the City of Jacksonville, officially welcomed us as a new association. She answered questions from the floor. Informed us that our official boundaries were from roads feeding off of San Clerc (N), Old Kings Rd (E), Rathbone Dr (S), and Craven Rd (W).

Spicklemier thanked Ellen Pritchard for having flyers mailed out to homeowners of record about the meeting.

Spicklemier showed the recent copy of Jacksonville Neighborhoods magazine. Brierwood is mentioned in the article about neighborhood watch programs.

Lori Appenfelder will continue as official representative to the SECPAC meetings. Liz Yadon will continue as the alternate.

A show of hands was asked for to see how many had received an email of the meeting agenda.

Alton Allen was thanked again for creating and maintaining our association website at www.Brierwood assoc.org . This has upcoming meeting agenda, traffic calming info, etc.

Kim and David Belden are designing signs to put out the week before our monthly meetings. Cost s will be presented at the March meeting. A discussion followed and it was decided signs would read "Neighborhood Association Meeting Thursday at 7:00 www.Brierwood assoc.org

Debbie Delgado, assistant to our city councilman. Art Shad, was introduced. She informed group of new construction at Baymeadows and Old Kings behind the Ironstone Bank. This site will be an exotic bird veterinarian.

The traffic calming committee report was given by Alton Allen. This committee consists of Joe Vogel, Ed Schafer, Kenny Mueller, and Mr. Allen. They will be meeting with councilman Art Shad with their proposals, and then with his support meet with the city's traffic department. The committee will then present options available to Brierwood to calm traffic on Rathbone Dr. See the website for a full discussion of all traffic calming issues.

SHADCO representative, Kenny Mueller, presented a report. According to officer McDonald, crime in our sector is down 20%. Our area is being patrolled regularly by off and on duty policemen.

All neighbors in attendance were asked to stand and share their name and street address. This practice will continue as we get to know each other better.

Spickelmier asked if anyone had concerns that had not been discussed this evening. One gentleman asked about the drug problem at a house on Somersby. It was reported that the problem had been taken care of swiftly once it was brought up for discussion at one of our meetings. This is a success story of how our association can be instrumental in preserving our community!

Nancy Barry, Neighborhood Watch, gave a brief rundown of their activities. Fliers were delivered to doorsteps by neighborhood captains. Captains were asked to try to meet everyone on their assigned streets. It was noted that several new residents were in attendance this evening because of such efforts. All captains were given plastic badges to wear when they performed their duties. These badges were made and donated by the Steins. Neighborhood Watch captains will second Thursday of each month at Nancy Barry's home.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm. The next meeting will be held on March 16, 2006 at 7:00 pm at Baymeadows Community Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Yadon, Secretary