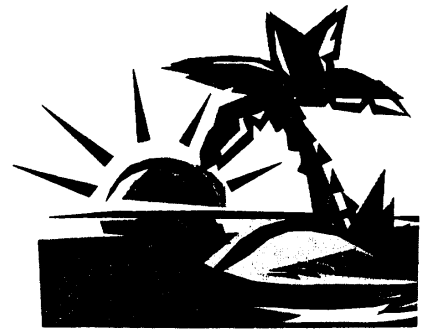


Coalition of Clearwater Homeowner Associations

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MARCH 3, AGENDA

Presentation & Questions on Short-term rental issue

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Approval of minutes of the Feb. 3 meeting
3. Unfinished Business
4. New Business
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Committee Reports
7. Announcements
8. Adjournment

Update on status of the proposed Neighborhoods Conference for Clearwater

Our March meeting will examine the short-term rental issue in more detail. Cyndi Tarapani from Clearwater Dept. of Planning will be on hand to answer our questions. The Coalition will take a stand on a 30-day minimum rental in single-family districts, based on the input you bring to the meeting from your neighborhood.

Don't forget to survey your group!



By the year, by the month, by the day or hour? Could it happen to your neighborhood?

Our thanks to Valerie Larsen and Mick Jameson from Washington Infrastructure for their presentation at our February meeting on the Drew Street overpass. Great photos, too!

When & Where

Monday, March 3, 2003 7:00 P.M.

Long Center Boardroom Upstairs
1501 Belcher Road ——Clearwater

FEBRUARY 3, 2003 COALITION MEETING MINUTES

*Have your directors names or addresses changed?
Notify Rich Glasgow (791-9317) to ensure that you promptly receive this newsletter.*

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

John Doran
Clearwater Chamber of Commerce

2002 Tourism Person of the Year

*Visit our Web Page.
The address is on page one of this newsletter.*

1. Representatives from Washington Infrastructure, a construction management firm, gave an overview and aerial photo preview of the Drew Street overpass planned for U.S. 19.
2. President Sandra Curry called the business meeting to order.
3. Minutes of the January 6 meeting were approved as published.
4. President Curry acknowledged Skycrest H/A for their "Home of the Quarter" award from the City Neighborhood Services Department and John Doran for being chosen "2002 Tourism Person of the Year" by the Clearwater Chamber of Commerce.
5. The issue of short-term rentals in Clearwater was discussed.

Anne Garris from Clearwater Beach related what has happened as a result of short-term rentals in her area. She mentioned that the City Attorney has twice referred to a law against short-term rentals in single-family residential areas.

Ray Massieu of Clearwater Beach said that income of up to \$ 6000 per month is typical for weekly rentals. His area would support enforcement of the current 30-day rule, the time frame cited in the County and State statutes. He is concerned that much of this is not being done by individual owners, but is a result of groups buying up homes for this purpose. Business is conducted from the homes and also over the internet.

A representative (Betty, sorry I did not get your last name) from the Carlouel area reported that short-term rentals are even more common there than in other areas of the beach.

Jeff Kronschnabl reported that the City became aware of the problem around July, 2002, and prior to that info was from Code enforcement.

Three warning letters were sent, but when it was apparent that citizens are divided on this issue, it was referred to the City Commission for interpretation on handling. Problems are also

evident in Island Estates, North Greenwood and the Edenville area. Final action by the Commission is expected in April.

Alan Stowell asked about the effect on apartments and apartment buildings. It was clarified that the issue pertains only to single-family member districts, which is medium to low density residential zones, but is not exclusive to only tourism areas.

Duke Tieman made a motion that we discuss this issue with our individual member associations and bring back input on whether they support a minimum 30 day rental in single-family districts. The Coalition will take a position on this issue in March based on that information. The motion was seconded and passed.

6. Jeff Kronschnabl updated us on the progress on the mini-conference. He has commitments from the police, Neighborhood Services, Code Enforcement and the Mayor. The SPJC facilitator and materials presentation and MacDill speaker are also okay.

Clearwater High School cafeteria is not suitable, so the location is not finalized yet.

Duke Tieman had ideas for free handouts of interest to homeowners. Jeff also reported over 60 applicants for Neighborhood Services Coordinator position, 24 associations have applied for matching grants for beautification, and the City will have a presentation on its Residential Rental Program at the state Neighborhoods Conference in Sept.

7. President Sandy received our approval for a joint May meeting with the Police Department, to be a 2 hour live TV show, and will give the Coalition plenty of free publicity.

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Highlights of Neighborhood Conference plan

Jeff Kronschnabl presented a "Home Audit Handbook" suitable for handing out at the Conference.

Polk County managed to attract 250 to 300 people on a rainy day to their mini-conference. What audience do we want to reach? Homeowners, new associations trying to form, and existing established but complacent associations seem to be our target audience. How can we get youth involved? We plan to do this at a future conference, but can't we still get some youth groups to help us execute our plan?

The conference must be free to attendees, but we can get donations and sponsors to give food and help with the cost of t-shirts and other items. The City can not solicit funding, but they can provide us help with hand-out materials, speakers, etc.

We discussed many topics for speakers and workshops including code compliance, homeland security, homeowner association legal and tax requirements, permitting for neighborhood events, insurance for boards, how to get people to attend neighborhood events, crimewatch and security, beautification grants, hurricane emergency response program, and others. After discussion the current Conference plan looks as follows:

8:00 –8:30 A.M. Registration
 8:30--8:45 A.M. Opening remarks/Introductions Mayor Aungst
 8:45-9:00 A.M. Emcee/Coordinator Don Bates
 9:00-11:30 A.M. S.A.R.A. Program This is a very interactive program for building bridges and problem solving.
 11:30-12:30 Luncheon with Keynote Speaker from MacDill Air force Base
 12:45-1:30 P.M. Workshop Session One "Doing the paperwork: Legal and Tax alternatives" John Doran
 1:45-2:30 P.M. Workshop Session Two or Keynote Speaker
 2:30-3:30 P.M. Wind-up Session Bill Horne, City Manager

The Conference is scheduled for Saturday, June 14, 2003 . Location is yet to be finalized. Jeff Kronschnabl will aid us in getting the facilities and speakers, etc.

Come help us continue to plan for a successful conference at our monthly meetings.

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8. Discussion on the Belleair Causeway bridge was tabled.
 9. As 10 paid members out of 19 were present we voted on the motion to change the name of the Coalition to "Clearwater Neighborhoods Coalition" The motion passed. John Doran will file the necessary paperwork with the State to complete the change.
 10. Treasurer John Doran reported a balance of \$ 1341.
 11. No other Committee reports were given.
- Meeting adjourned 8:45 p.m.
 Respectfully submitted,
 Rich Glasgow, Secretary

CCHA Membership Application

Association Name _____ #homes/condos _____
 Association Mailing Address _____

President _____ Phone # _____
 Home Address _____

CCHA Rep. _____ Phone # _____
 Home Address _____

Alternate Rep. _____ Phone # _____
 Home Address _____

E-mail contact _____ Fax contact _____

Annual dues: Individual—\$25; up to 25 homeowners—\$25
 more than 25 homeowners—\$40
 Payable to CCHA, P.O. Box 8204, Clearwater, FL 33785

Congratulations to the Skycrest Homeowner Association for having the "Home of the Quarter"

COALITION OBJECTIVES AS SET FORTH IN 1981 AT FORMATION

Clearwater's Community Response Team handles code violations. To report a violation call 562-4720.

To minimize the residential owner's total cost for government services
 To encourage equitable taxation and service costs
 To encourage increase in tax base through development and redevelopment of commercial areas consistent with existing infrastructure and character of the City
 To encourage cooperative programs between the City and County that will reduce costs while maintaining service levels
 To encourage development of commercial and public facilities which enhance the special character of the City
 To encourage consistent and aggressive enforcement of City Codes
 To encourage improvement of water quality

in Clearwater Harbor, Tampa Bay, and other water resources
 To encourage development of programs which enhance the visual environment of the Clearwater area
 To encourage programs which increase the cost-effectiveness of police, fire, and emergency medical services
 To encourage development of Neighborhood Watch programs
 To present the homeowner's point of view
 To sponsor "get out the vote" programs and Candidate Forums
 To encourage open, representative, responsive, accountable, and effective local government
 To cooperate with other homeowner associations with the County

To join the Coalition's automatic email distribution list send a request to "Clearwater@pobox.com"

How Do You Contact Us?

Coalition Officers 2003

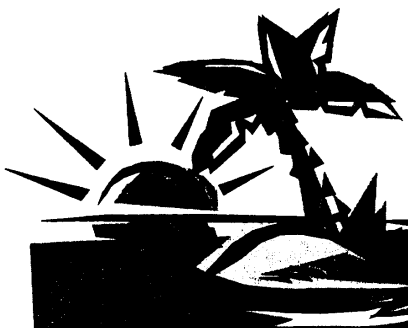
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Rich Glasgow	Secretary	791-9317
John Doran	Treasurer	447-9570

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Environment	Allan Stowell	799-3500
City Code	Dave Campbell	725-1276
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