

Hollywood Council of Civic Associations, Inc.

Minutes

July 18, 2005

Meeting held at Police HQ 3520 Hwd. Blvd.

Members Present: Ken Crawford, Mel Pollak, Pete Brewer, Chuck Vollman, Cynthia Greene, Andre Brown, Asa Boynton, Suzanne Kincaid, and Jamie Willis

The July HCCA meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. on Monday, July 15, 2005, by President Ken Crawford.

Treasurer Pat Smith was absent; there was no treasurer's report. Minutes of the June meeting were approved.

The council tabled action on sexual predators until the August meeting.

HCCA's affiliation with CHB (Condos of Hollywood Beach) was discussed. Cynthia Greene-Eason, president of CHB, explained why CHB wants to be granted full voting membership. CHB was accepted as a full voting member into HCCA with one vote.

There was considerable discussion about ways to increase participation in HCCA. Two suggestions which will be immediately implemented are mailers and networking.

The group also discussed current problems in Hollywood, i.e. "flipping" properties, the city's laxity in obtaining financial disclosures from potential builders, and the practice of CRA's receiving monies that should go into the general fund.

Robert Wolfe, media and government relations person for Broward County Property Appraisers spoke about his job vis-a-vis providing information to Broward County residents about his office. He is eager to talk about taxes, property assessments, etc. to civic associations in the city.

Program for the August meeting will be eminent domain experts.

Mel Pollak spoke about budgetary problems and reiterated that the city is paying too heavily for health and pension funds. He also believes that we need to change the manner in which labor negotiations are handled. We have five different unions in Hollywood. Pete Brewer stated that early retirement policies must be eliminated as part of the solution.

Upon a suggestion by Pete Brewer that the same officers continue for another year, the group so voted. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 P.M..

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Greene-Eason for Sara Case