



CFLCA January 2022 General Meeting
Tuesday, January 11th, 2022
Meeting Start: 6:30 PM via Zoom

Welcome and Call to Order

Roll Call

Colleen Lockwood, Mary Peloquin, Luis Castillo, Jim Concannon, Marilyn Mammano, Michael Albetta, Cathy Stubbs (excused), Dennis Ulmer (excused), Barbara Magill, Frankie Lane, Melinda Bowker, Abby Laughlin

General Membership Updates

Colleen announced that she will be stepping down as of Feb. Mary Peloquin, our 1st Vice President, will take over until the special election to replace Colleen. Colleen gave good examples of what the council is about. The council tackles issues for all communities, but never take sides. Unity in the community is what we're about. She thanked Chris Lagerbloom and Dr. JJ for being available to assist the council with questions and updates. She has enjoyed working with the board and wished us continued success.

Reminder: The retirement date and place has changed for our own Hal Barnes. This information will be updated on the website. Congrats Hal.

Introduction of Guests:

○ **City Updates: City Manager Chris Lagerbloom:** The new year started strong and in a good place. Still discussing bridge options for the FEC train tracks through Fort Lauderdale versus a tunnel.

There are 4 proposals for the new water plant. We are watching the virus and seeking advice from medical individuals on what steps to take. Bahia Mar still talking with developers, and anything could happen with a 50 year term. 500 ft ordinance for building height still in question. Unsolicited proposals statue section 255, shade meetings are publicly with on going dialogue. Pier 66 wants to move forward with community meetings. Chris thanked Nancy Gassman for her presentation tonight.

○ **Covid Update: Dr. JJ Rajter:** The Omicron variant seems less likely to have severe complications. The bad news is it's more contagious. We are 2 years in the pandemic and mono antibodies are unavailable. Local hospitals don't have access to these antibodies. Please continue to wear your mask (N-95) if available, but any mask is better than none. Dr. JJ recommended staying remote during meetings. Question: Is there another mutation? He doesn't know. He also

disapproved of the message coming from the Florida surgeon general which some of the things he said were true, but it is being handled poorly. Testing is helpful not to spread the disease. Eye protection is helpful also.

- **Waterway Quality Update: Nancy J. Gassman, Ph.D., CC-P, LEED Green Associate,**
Assistant Director of Public Works – Sustainability Department

Waterway quality is many things; temperature, color, quality, bacteria, chemicals etc. How is our waterway quality is a complicated question. These are issues included in the plan.

- Monitor bacteria
- Install devices for catch basins
- NPDS requirements
- Weekly water checks
- 5 goals included in management plan
- Pro active inspections
- Educational awareness
- See the intent of the programs
- Any issues please call 954 828-8000
- Presentation will be posted on our website

- **Honoring Hal Barnes – Written by: Dennis Ulmer and presented by Jim Concannon. A job well done Dennis**

“Hal Barnes. Is one of the people who has been an important part of our partnership with the city for so long, you can't remember when he wasn't there for us.

Because of Hal we have attracted so many talented interns to work for us starting out in Neighbor Support. These interns, nurtured by Hal, who demonstrated to them the true spirit of working with our neighborhoods and how to provide excellence in serving citizens and neighborhood requests, will make a difference wherever their careers will lead them.

Hal also served as a Director of Neighborhoods USA, and brought national recognition for all that together we take pride in accomplishing. Hal also custom designed pins featuring our beach wave wall for pin exchanges with other cities.

Bricks and mortar don't make a great city, people do. Hal Barnes has helped our city be better, our neighborhoods greater, by being our Neighbor Support Director.

Think of all the great things we have accomplished together. Neighborhood Leadership Academy, Neighbor Support Night, so many great ideas and projects!

Hal Barnes, Fort Lauderdale's Neighborhoods love you, we thank you for your years of service, and we will continue to do more great things with the leadership skills you have shown and taught us.

The Council of Fort Lauderdale Civic Association's on behalf of Fort Lauderdale's great neighborhoods wish you all the best in your well-deserved retirement!”

Mary Peloquin thanked Colleen for her untiring efforts as president after stepping in when Ron Centamore passed away. Colleen will be truly missed. We thank you Colleen.

Treasurer's Report \$14,121.00 in the bank -Memberships are renewed every March

Review and Acceptance of Minutes CFLCA the November 9th, 2021 Genera Motion
made by Jim Concannon and 2nd by Luis Castillo - minutes passed Meeting*

Adjourn 7:54

UPCOMING MEETINGS

-Next Board Meeting is 1/28/22

-Next General Meeting is 2/8/22

*Indicates voting/potential voting item if quorum requirements are met.

Purpose: Focus on the issues relating to the preservation of the present and future welfare of the City of Fort Lauderdale and its neighborhoods and citizens, be proactive and reactive to those issues, communicate any recommendations to the proper officials, strive to improve communication and create a stronger partnership between City government and neighborhoods.

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