

**MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS'
MEETING
OF
August 1, 2007**

The Board of Directors of the Esplanade Ridge & Treme Civic Association met at 2007 Esplanade Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana 70116 on Wednesday, August 1, 2007, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Roll call was taken. The board members in attendance were:

Bill Edwards
Marie Marcal
Matt Norton
Pat O'Brien
L.T. Thomas

The board members not in attendance were:

Felicia Fredenburg
Joe Marcal
Hilda Young
Raymond Young

Matt Norton, President, chaired and called the meeting to order; and the secretary, Hilda Young, being absent; Marie Marcal acted as secretary and took the minutes of the meeting.

It was determined that there was a quorum, and the meeting was called to order.

The Chair brought up the issue of needing a treasurer. It was moved, seconded and unanimously passed that L.T. Thomas be treasurer. It was also agreed that the bank would be contacted to mail the statements to L.T.'s home address.

Bill Edwards asked to be recognized, and brought up the issue of 2201 Barracks Street. He updated the group on where things were with this project, and strategy was discussed. It was moved, seconded and unanimously passed that letters would be sent to Councilman Carter reminding him that we do not want the neutral ground turned into parking in order to accommodate this use and to remind him

that the green space must be maintained. The chair advised that he had sent the previous letter the board had approved.

Pat O'Brien asked to be recognized and brought up the issue of noise, particularly the revival at Claiborne and St. Bernard the weekend starting Friday, July 20, 2007. Pat advised that she could hear the speakers at her house, and Bill Edwards said he could too to the point that it interrupted his TV viewing. It was moved, seconded and unanimously agreed that a letter would be sent to Carter, Midura and Capt. Colin about this since we were advised at a NONPACC meeting a few years ago that any event requiring a permit would have to be signed off on by the City Council person and the police captain for the district.

The Chair brought up the 2 houses that Meg Lousteau had forwarded to us that are scheduled for demolition. The photos were reviewed, and it was agreed that we would write a letter asking how these were slated for demolition and opposing the demolition.

The Chair brought up the idea of setting up a blog and/or website. After a brief discussion, it was agreed that we would set up a website.

The Chair brought up the agenda for the next meeting, which we agreed would be focused on education. It was agreed that he would invite Principal White from McDonough 35 and the principal for Clark, if we know whom that is in time, to speak at the next meeting.

There being no further business, it was moved, seconded and unanimously agreed that the meeting be adjourned.

Marie Marcal – Acting Secretary

Matt Norton – President/Chair