

BNW April 4th General Meeting Minutes

- Meeting called to order 6:35 by Chairwoman, Anne Ruby
- Minutes from March meeting approved
- \$2,281.55 in account

Police Report by Capt. Scott Lee:

- For the most recent CompStat Report please visit:
<http://www.codb.us/index.aspx?NID=643>
- Pockets of irresponsible landlords are creating an uptick in crimes in the area. Multiple criminals renting one house (either with landlord onsite or not). This makes it difficult to notice multiple drug deals or crimes because it all happens within the same four walls (Ex: 1 dealer distributes to 16 people in same house but nobody in neighborhood noticed it)
- Calls for service in Daytona are up 5%
- -9% part 1 crimes over last year
- Ridgewood is a focus right now
 - J's Food Store is back in crosshairs
- Code Enforcement
 - Reporting code violations via web portal is easy and helpful:
 - <https://crw.codb.us/eTRAKiT3/CRM/issue.aspx>
 - Can choose to remain anonymous
 - Rule of 6 (RO6). If a complaint is made against a home, the inspector will also check the homes on either side and the three across the street
 - Code Enforcement officers will soon have body cameras

New Business

- Next BNW meeting is May 2nd and the guest will be Daytona Beach Mayor, Derrick Henry, and guest, to enlighten us about the benefits of the proposed ½ sales tax
- Daytona Beach City Island Farmers Market happens every Saturday 7am-1pm. Live music by Juddy Mac, produce, meats, soups, preserves, honey, plants, and more

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Old Business

- Volunteers needed for a nominating committee for the upcoming BNW elections. Among other positions, a chairperson will be needed. Please contact aeruby@gmail.com if you'd like to be a part of this

Guest Speaker Billie Wheeler, County Council Rep, Dist 2:

- 2 years doing this, still learning
- County still behind the 8 ball but catching up
 - New emergency services
 - New county manager
 - More staff and across the board raises
 - New motto – get on board moving forward or get off the bus
- Tom Stead Memorial Bridge completed possibly by end of year. Skyrocketing price tag.
- No plans at this time, or money, to more the annex building off city island
- Amendment 10 – she voted to continue the lawsuit to fight it because she doesn't believe the state should decides what happens here in Volusia
- Sales Tax – This is a tax that would stay here in Volusia County directly to find projects we need. All cities have come together in support of this.
- We are working to build trust, it'll be slow
- We have a diversity program at the county but cannot force people to apply nor can we offer jobs to anyone who is unqualified

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm by Chairwoman, Anne Ruby