

Minutes - BNW General Meeting 8/1/2019

Dinner started at 6. Meeting start time was 6:30.

Treasurer report, BBQ announcement, passing of hat took place in accordance w order written in agenda

No public officials present except Commissioner Quanita May who showed up after adjournment

I said altho no public officials are here, we have a member of the Fourth Estate, I introduced Big and asked him to raise his hand

No Capt Lee sub

Brought up nominations, encouraged folks to look at the descriptions and run.

Jenny spoke about local eco initiatives:

- North Peninsula Preservation group formed by citizens of OBTS. Big topic right now is septic to sewer conversion. Some say it's the answer; others say it won't solve water pollution as long as new developments & clearcuts continue
- CanDo2 Ormond - mobilized by clearcut on Granada; continues to push for responsible development
- Dream Green Volusia "Go Drastic on Plastics" initiative - beach & river cleanups, restaurant recognition program.
- Edgewater Environmental Alliance - raising regional eco awareness; local activists focused on getting the canals cleaned up
- Daytona Beach Permaculture Guild - promotes water harvesting (minimize runoff), native & edible landscaping, NWF Certified Wildlife Habitat. Shares info about local projects such as the new community food garden at Derbyshire Place.

Big said I should also talk about solar. Casey & Sandy Murphy talked about their house solar panels, which provide 100% of their electric. Big has solar panels also. Wayne's Solar was mentioned as the local supplier w the best prices. Casey said this is the final year of the 30% rebate program.

I mentioned the possibility of having Wayne's solar as a speaker at a future meeting; several people seemed to like that idea.

Other final announcements - Ted reiterated the call for people to run for the BNW offices; also, show up at local govt meetings. Being involved, having an active organized neighborhood group, gets the attention of local govt.

Meeting ended 7:25, out the door 7:30.