

**EAST NEW ORLEANS NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COMMISSION (ENONAC)**  
**GENERAL MEETING**  
**St. Maria Goretti Community Center, 7300 Crowder Blvd., New Orleans, LA 70127**  
**Tuesday, May 14, 2019 @ 6:00pm**

**MINUTES**

Executive Board Members:

P – Denotes member present, E – Denotes member excused, A – Denotes member absent, V – vacant position

P	Sylvia Scineaux-Richard, President	P	Brenda Jackson, 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President
P	Dawn Hebert, 2nd Vice President	P	Karol Sanders, Treasurer
P	Carroll Denesse, Member At Large	A	Maxine Weaver, Member At Large
		P	Lydia Leon, Secretary

Attendees: See attached sign-in sheets.

**I. Call to order/Roll Call**

Meeting was called to order by Pres. Scineaux-Richard at 6:11 p.m. After roll call, we had a quorum.

**II. Introduction of Special Guest(s):** Daphne Ferdinand, Ph. D., RN; Timothy Murphy, Health Educator; Logan Burke, Alliance for Affordable Energy

**III. Review and Approval of Agenda:** Motion was made by Comm. Jourdain and seconded by Comm. Legaux to approve the agenda. After the vote, the motion passed without any objections.

**IV. Review and Approval of Minutes from April 9, 2019:** The minutes were read by Pres. Scineaux-Richard. Motion to approve the minutes by Comm. Bickham and seconded by Comm. Legaux. After the vote, the motion passed without any objections.

**V. Review and Approval of Treasurer’s Report:** The Treasurer’s report for both ENONAC and East New Orleans Foundation (ENOF) was passed out and read by Comm. Sanders. Motion by Comm. Spears and seconded by Comm. Penny to approve the Treasurer’s report for ENONAC. After the vote, the motion passed without any objections. Motion by Comm. Denesse and seconded by Comm. Jackson to approve the Treasurer’s report for ENO Foundation. After the vote, the motion passed without any objections.

**VI. New Business:**

**A. Community Cleanup Day with Volunteers of America (VOA)** is on Saturday, May 18; 9-2pm; we will meet at Lake Forest Charter School; 11110 Lake Forest Blvd.

There was a motion for ENONAC to donate \$500 for lunches for the volunteers by Comm. Denesse which was seconded by Comm. Hebert. After the vote, the motion passed without any objections. Victoria Lewandrowski, of VOA and NOE resident said that there will be trash sweeps and cleaning catch basins in Idlewood, Sherwood Forest and Lake Forest Estates. We will work on school gardens at Sherwood Forest and Lake Forest Charter schools. There will be 150 volunteers from Home Depot. There will be blight reduction at 4700 Robin Hood Drive; this lot will be cleaned out. Comm. DeGrasse asked if there will be media coverage. Ms. Victoria said that at least 2 networks are coming out. Pres. Scineaux-Richard thanked Ms. Victoria for their help in working on this project.

**B. Healthy Heart Community Prevention Program: Daphne Ferdinand, PhD, RN,** spoke about focusing on cardiovascular disease in NOE. She is working on a grant to do this. There would be 10 sessions at 1-hour each. It would be she and her husband Dr. Keith Ferdinand. There will be 10 topics to talk about:

- 1) Risk facts for heart attack
- 2) Activity and exercise
- 3) Cholesterol and cut fats
- 4) Blood Pressure
- 5) Diabetes
- 6) Healthy eating
- 7) How to buy healthy on a budget
- 8) Smoke-Free life
- 9) Reduce Stress and Spiritual activities
- 10) Cooking classes which would be conducted by Comm. Landrum

## VII. Old Business

- A. Entergy Rate Case Study: Logan Burke, Alliance for Affordable Energy** said that Entergy filed a rate case which stated “here is how much money we must bring into cover the cost”. She said it has been 10 years since this was done. They requested the percentage they wanted to make in profit. They have the highest profit margin at 11% in the country. The last average nationally was 9.5%. She said that Entergy has been earning more than the amount they have in profits and have to file this with the City Council. Entergy wants to increase 8.73 to double this amount in minimum bills. Also, they are asking to keep higher profit margin of 10.75% and want to get down to 9.8%. There would be a rate increase on residents and Industrial and Commercial will be paying less. Comm. Jourdain asked if she knew where the City Council is on this issue. Ms. Burke said that the City Council is not interested in giving Entergy any more profit. Someone asked what justification is Entergy using to get this money. She said they use their own money and debt and using debt to say that they can borrow money at a cheaper rate.
- B. CAB Commissioners** were reminded to complete **State Ethics Training** and submit resulting certificate

## VIII. Community Info/Public Comments

- A. CPC: Billboard Study Discussion** is on Tuesday, May 14; 11-12:30; 7<sup>th</sup> Floor CPC Conference Room
- B. Low Cost Heartworm Clinic for Pets** is on Saturday, May 25; 10-11:30am; Crown of Life Church; 11721 Morrison Rd.
- C. Grand Opening: PJs Coffee Shop** is on Sunday, May 19; 10a; 5733 Read Blvd.

## IX. Announcements

- A. Office of Community & Economic Development Business Info Sessions:** For District E it is on Wednesday, May 22; 1:30-3pm; ENO Library
- B. New Orleans Business Alliance:** Jazzland area is worth \$400,000. Some ideas for this area are to turn it into a school, a warehouse or use it for tourism. All the rides and other buildings must be torn down and removed. Also considering a water theme park. It was on the noon news. Also considering a Drive Shack or Swamp Tours highlighting Bayou Savage as one of the largest wetlands in the south. Also looking at cleaning up Lincoln Beach. Comm. Hamilton said that the City has stated since December that the canals were going to be dredged. Terri Guerin, CM. Nguyen’s Chief of Staff, was asked to get info on why the dredging of ENO canals has stalled. Comm. Hamilton said that nothing has been received by ENONAC and nothing has been done. Ms. Guerin said that they have tried to get it done but they have allocated no money for this project. She was asked to please cc: ENONAC when they are asking about it to the Mayor.
- C. ENONAC** needs to start discussion on the **Parcel Fee** in 2019. For the October 17 election, everything needs to be done in July; for the November 16 election, all needs to be done in September. This discussion will continue at the CAB meeting. Jason Hughes, Vice Chairman of CPC said that they must get everyone to vote but should the timing of placement on the ballot must be strategic.
- D. Daneen Aubry** (phone #: 417-0075) said there will be another meeting on the **Billboard Study** in June. She said the CPC recommendations are: 1) Keep current billboard as is 2) remove billboards that are illegal and 3) regulate billboards where previously electronic ones are legal.

**X. Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn by Comm. Celestand and seconded by Comm. Denesse. After the vote, motion passed without any objections. Meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm.