Minutes of Barkley Area Neighborhood Association Bi-Annual Meeting July 29, 2018

After an invocation delivered by Alma Wright, the meeting was called to order with President John Krupsky presiding. All present briefly introduced themselves. Some 20 members and guests were present as the meeting began.

First up were the guest speakers. Captain Aguillard of the EBR Parish Sheriff's office gave an informative presentation on Neighborhood watch and related information on how to be on guard for your neighbors and yourself. He also kindly fielded questions from the membership.

Mary Fontenot gave us an update from the City, with information on planning and zoning issues, in particular related to the two properties on Perkins whose owners are seeking rezoning. The importance of showing up for the zoning commission meetings was stressed. Mary also provided information on how to request a traffic study – specificity in the particulars being paramount for a successful study.

The meeting agenda was distributed, and the business of the meeting began with a reading of the minutes for the meeting from the previous January.

After the minutes were accepted, President Krupsky went over the treasurer's report provided by Frank Richardson, including a report of memberships paid during the previous six months.

Following the reading of the reports, we began discussing old business. We congratulated the sign team on the refurbishment of the main entrance sign, and a special gift was presented to Aubrey Jones in recognition for his efforts on the project. Aubrey in turn thanked several members, particularly Larry Hudson for their assistance on that project. Possible uses for the leftover materials were considered.

John confirmed that the damaged section of Barkley drive has been scheduled for repair, and the process has begun to repair or replace several street signs. Duke asked about getting a 25 mph sign for Magnolia Chase, and John gave information on that project.

John then solicited volunteers to attend a meeting with the owners of the properties seeking rezoning. A general preference for an afternoon meeting time was expressed.

Landscaping projects for the fall were briefly discussed.

We then had an update on the status of the Siegen Village entrance sign project, and the status of that endeavor, particularly the hurdles yet to be overcome. John Krupsky and Duke Rivet provided much of the information on that project. Rodney Young, Larry Hudson and Lorraine Woods are also involved in the project.

John informed us that he had set up a 'group' for our area on nextdoor.com and gave a brief overview of the service, including an announcement of a meeting at the Main Branch of EBR Public Library regarding drainage issues in the area (Aug 9, 7:30 pm).

The draft bylaws from 2012, which had been distributed via the newsletter, were then approved by the membership.

Next up, elections were held for the officers and the even numbered district representatives. The resulting officer and representative lineup for the coming year is as follows:

President John Krupsky District 1 Vincent Randolph Vice President Andrew Fames District 2 Aubrey Jones Treasurer Frank Richardson District 3 Larry Hudson Corresponding Secretary Luzma Leder District 4 Sou Hayes **Recording Secretary** Rich Bryars District 5 Ralph McMahon District 6 Lorraine Woods District 7 Duke Rivet

John then opened the floor for other business. A new member reported an issue with the website (on his phone), and Rich promised to look into the situation and correct whatever might be causing issues on the phone display. Larry reported an issue with dumping on Shireburk, and we discussed the proper procedures for dealing with the situation. Sou asked about the new assisted living facility being built on Siegen north of King James, other members provided information they have gleaned about the project.

The meeting ended with drawings for the four gift card door prizes. The date of the next general meeting was set for January 27th, 2019.