



May 2007 Leaseholders and Residents Association Newsletter

Greetings from the President

Hello Everyone

There is so much good news to report that I'm not sure where to begin. Let's begin with the beach road to Pensacola. Plans have been approved to rebuild a two-lane road between Navarre Beach and Pensacola Beach with completion before next summer. The Federal Highway Administration will be funding the project and a great deal of thanks goes to Rep. Jeff Miller for his efforts in working with the FHA and the US Fish and Wildlife Service. Apparently everyone involved did not approve of the previous "Temporary" plan. If you have the opportunity to thank Congressman Miller I'm sure he would greatly appreciate it. Do you suppose that Washington heard that the NBLRA was joining local Government in an effort to over turn their original plan?

On to the next good news... Public access dune walkovers were begun on May 1st. The project is starting at the east end of the beach and progressing west according to a source at our local Water Department. The maximum time for completion of the project is 180 days commencing from approximately March 15th. I'm sure everyone is anxiously awaiting public access to our beautiful beach and the alleviation of the current trampling of the dunes. It appears that Mr. Blaylock's information about constant turtle monitoring was accurate and the construction was allowed to proceed.

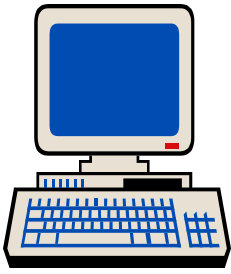
No more dogs on the Beach! It appears that the Sheriff's Department and the Animal Control Agency intend to support us in our effort to keep pets off the beach. If you notice any four-legged intruders call either Department on weekdays and the Sheriff's Department on weekends. The citations in the amount of \$38.00 can be issued without a warning due to the posting of signs.

According to the Navarre Press "voters can expect to decide whether Navarre should be incorporated no later than November 2008". Issues such as; How would we Govern ourselves? What services should the City provide and how would they be paid for? What would our City be called? are only samples of issues of concern. Past Chamber President Bart Pullum will be speaking at our June 16th meeting to give us the most up to date information as well as the opinion of the current Chamber.

I look forward to seeing everyone at 10AM on May 19th at the Navarre Regency.

Sincerely

Jim Taylor



MEETING MINUTES

President Jim Taylor called the meeting to order at 10:00

Cathy Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes were read and approved.

Angela Veal gave the Treasurer's report. The previous checking balance was \$8794.62. The NBLRA received \$468 from ads and \$240 from dues, and \$4.00 in interest. Expenses were \$737.16. The current balance in checking is \$8769.46. The balance in Certificates of Deposits is \$10260.86. Total Assets are \$19,030.32. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's report as given. The motion was seconded and approved.

Robin Baker gave an update from the NBAITC. The Treasurers report shows that 40% of the people have paid the additional \$350 that was requested. There is still a shortfall of about \$72,000. The deadline has been extended to June 30th. If you have not paid yet, please do so. The hearing on April 4, 2007 produced few decisions due to the late filing of a motion by opposing counsel that violated an administrative court rule. The next hearing is scheduled for June 15, 2007 at 1:00 PM. Everyone is encouraged to attend. It will be held at the courthouse in Milton on the second floor.

One major challenge in our case, as well as of the former case Ward vs. Brown, is the issue of "equitable ownership" or ownership interest in our leasehold property. The actual terms of our leases could be used to determine whether any "ownership" interest does apply. Over the years, Santa Rosa County has written and amended some of our leases from their original form changing terms such as the renewal language that may affect the way the courts determine the "ownership" and taxation of our leasehold property. The attorneys believe that we have the right to address this issue as it could directly impact whether we are subject to taxation or not. Any change in the renewal terms that may have given us any "ownership" interest in the eyes of the court strictly violates the intent of the original terms of

the lease from the US Government to Escambia County. Any lease issues must be addressed to our "Lessor", Santa Rosa County, and thus such motion to add the County was filed. The hearing on June 15th plans to address this. Keep updated on the tax suit by visiting the web site www.nbtaxsuit.com.

Some exciting new news is that the county has confirmed that if you are a named plaintiff and have paid the taxes, and if we prevail, we will receive a refund!!!! However, a request must be filed. If you happened to miss the 2006 cutoff you can still join for the rest of the years. To do so send in \$725 along with your lease documents.

If you are involved in the lawsuit, make sure you pay your lease fee. Some members were instructed by the county not to.

Lynn Zehr gave an update from the Beach Clean-Up Committee. She has been trying to reach the county code enforcer to see what progress has been made. She will be having a meeting with committee members to divide up the lots so that when they have been cleaned up it can be annotated on the map. She also came up with a cute refrigerator magnet to remind all of our guest to keep the beach clean. We voted to give her \$100 to have 1000 made up to distribute to all of the condos and rentals along the beach.

Judy Lewis gave the Treasurers update for the Beach Beautification Committee. As of today we have \$66,055.71. John Conner gave an update on his latest meeting with the county. Apparently the estimate for the bike path was much more expensive than expected- \$919,000!! Because of this the county plans on refusing the grant money that was put aside for the bike path and the project is on hold. This has a direct impact on the causeway project. The committee will have a meeting to determine how to move forward. Possible plans include focusing on the entrance to the island, and the section after the bridge down to the Tom Thumb.

A notice to proceed has been issued for the dune walkovers. Florida Construction Inc. was awarded the contract and has 180 days to complete the 12 walkovers and parking area. That puts the completion date at September 15th. Since we have constant turtle monitoring they are expected to be able to proceed throughout turtle season. We'll see!

Just a reminder-the Water Department has moved to the Pier building while repairs are being made. To pay your bill you will have to bring it there or mail it in. There is no drop off slot.

Keith Johnson made a motion for the NBLRA to donate \$1,000 for the fire department. It was seconded and approved. If you would also like to give a monetary donation, call Denise Boyd at (850-939-2948). We really appreciate all they do for us. Lets show them how much they mean to us! Make a donation.

We also voted to continue to support Fun Fest which will be held out on the beach this year. We will donate \$250 as we have in the past.

There is a movement beginning to organize an effort to get the beach road to Pensacola back open. We will be discussing this and gathering info to discuss at our next meeting. Plan to attend! And bring a friend. And remember to ask your neighbors if they are members and encourage them to join. Thanks to The Navarre Beach Regency for the use of the meeting room.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and approved.

The next meeting is at 10:00 on May 19th, 2007 at The Regency.

Respectfully submitted,

Nanci Agee, Secretary

Tell Them About It!

Key County Numbers

Who do I call about loose dogs on the beach?

During the week, Animal Control Officer (983-4680)

During the weekend, Sheriff Dept. (936-6100)

Who do I call when the roads and bike path need swept, or when there are piles of sand along the side of the road?

Avis Whitfield @ 626-0191

Got a question about a specific building damaged by the hurricanes and whether it is slated for demolition?

Code Enforcement @ 981-7000

I want to donate items or monies to the Fire Department.

Call Denise Boyd @ 939-2948



Navarre Beach Fire Department Needs Our Help



The Navarre Beach Fire Department is moving closer and closer to completion, as the tile floors have been laid, and the ceilings are placed in the living quarters.

Thanks to the donations and support of our leaseholders and local businesses, like EcoBeach and A+ Storage, we have been able to collect basic needs like sheets and towels, cookware and office furniture to begin refurbishing our new building. Plus, the monetary donations we have received will go towards purchasing the beds and other furniture for each bunkroom.

We still have a ways to go to fully furnish the building, and we have received word from Santa Rosa County that they may be able to help with replacing some equipment lost in Hurricane's Ivan and Dennis. If you are interested in donating to the fire department, contact Denise Boyd at (850) 939-2948.

Fire department required furniture/equipment

Room	Item	Quantity needed	Quantity received
Bedrooms	twin mattress	4	
	twin springs	4	
	twin frame	4	
	bed sheets	8 sets	4
	pillows	8	3
	blankets	4	
	chair	4	
	nightstand	4	
	lamp	4	
	clock radio	4	
	curtains	4 sets	
	curtains rods	4	
	table or desk	4	
	Chief's office	desk	1
desk chair		1	1
visitor chairs		2	1
desk lamp		1	
curtains		1 set	
rugs		1	
office supplies		as necessary	
printer cart		1	1
telephone		1	
bookcase		1	

continued

Kitchen, etc.	cooking supplies		
	pots/pans		
	cooking utensils		
	dish towels		
	coffeemaker	1	1
	crocker	1	1
	dishes	set of 8	
	glasses/cups	8	8
	mugs	8	
	utensils	set of 12	
	can opener	1	
	sponges		
	soap		
	brooms		
	mops		
	vacuum	1	1
Common Area	telephone (cordless)	2	
	telephone (corded)	2	
	TV	1	1
	DVD player	1	
	bar stools	4	
	rugs (as necessary)		
	bookcase	1	1
	side tables	2	1
	lamps	2	
	folding/stackable outdoor chairs	8	
Bathroom	cleaning supplies		
	towels	8+	8



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Gary Agee, Dave Boggis, Sandy Conner, Amin Delawalla, Laurie Gallup, Cathy Johnson, John Lewis, John Richardson, Sue Schwartz, Jim Taylor, Terry Taylor, Lynn Zehr

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	Navarre Beach Regency \$ 3,000		Wallace & Oclo Malone \$ 2,500
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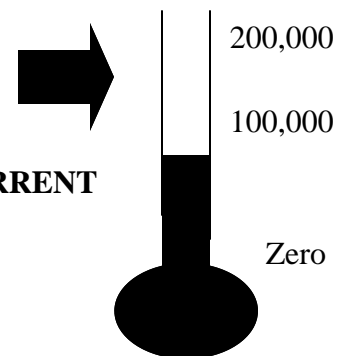
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Navarre, FL 32566
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email address.

BBC Contribution Levels:

Adopt a Palm \$250
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\$66,055.71 LOCAL CURRENT



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TAX



**NBAITC Update
April 30, 2007**

2006 Named Leaseholder Plaintiffs - Our attorneys have been reviewing the "original" or first leases that have been submitted by our leaseholders for specific renewal language. These leases are extremely critical for our case pleadings coming up in the June 15 hearing. We have approximately 120 leaseholders that have not submitted their "original" or first lease on their properties and our attorneys need them ASAP. If you have not submitted this important documentation, please do so immediately. We need copies of your original or first leases by May 31, 2007. Leases should be mailed to NBAITC, P.O. Box 5415, Navarre, FL 32566-0415 or may be faxed to (850) 654-9101.

If you need assistance in obtaining your original lease documents, please visit our website at www.nbtaxsuit.com or contact a committee member.

All the named leaseholder plaintiffs in our case have contributed the original \$375 requested to join our case, but approximately 400 of our named leaseholders plaintiffs have not answered our second request for funding. Please contribute the additional \$350 as soon as possible. We have raised over 85% of the necessary attorney fees towards our legal funding goal of \$500,000. If you have already mailed in your additional legal fees, thank you for your payment.

Join the 2007 Case Now - The Tax Committee is mailing a letter this week to those leaseholders not participating in our 2006 case inviting them to join for 2007. We are requesting each leaseholder joining the 2007 case to submit \$375 toward the total cost of \$725 now. The remaining fees of \$350 will be due prior to the filing date for the 2007 complaint, which should be around mid-November, 2007. Any leaseholder is welcome to send in the total of \$725.00 now. Checks should be made payable and mailed to NBAITC, P.O. Box 5415, Navarre, FL 32566-0415.

As a named plaintiff, you do have the option to not pay your taxes for any year during this litigation and benefit from the automatic stay of collection of your property taxes under FL Statute 194.171(3). If you pay your taxes under protest for any year during this litigation in order to avoid interest penalties, as a named plaintiff, you will be entitled to file for a refund under Florida Statute 194.171 (4) should we prevail.

Joining the lawsuit now for 2007 will help us reach our legal funding goal of \$500,000 plus any court costs required. We look forward to adding your name to our list!

If for any reason you do not want to be a named plaintiff, but would like to help stop this illegal taxation and increase the value of our leases and property, please consider giving as much as you can now.

Thank you for your continued support of our fight against this illegal taxation!

Navarre Beach Against Illegal Taxation Committee

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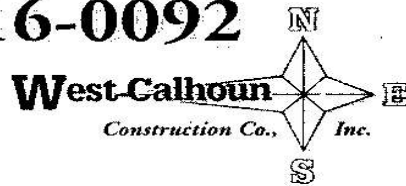
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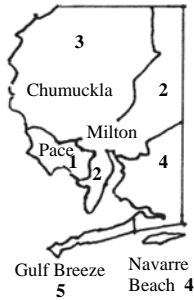
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MEETINGS AND AGENDA

Regular commissioner meetings are the second and the fourth Thursday of each month. Regular meetings are preceded by committee meetings on the Monday prior to the regular meeting. All meetings begin at 9 a.m.

Agendas will be posted online on Friday before the Monday committee meeting; and on Wednesday before the Thursday regular meeting at www.co.santa-rosa.fl.us.

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Navarre Beach Fire Department: (850) 939-2448

Santa Rosa County Animal Services: Office (850) 983-4680 or (850) 936-6177

Santa Rosa Sheriff's Office: (850) 983-1100; (850) 936-6016;

Navarre District 2: (850) **981-2250 (New)**; Gulf Breeze (850) **981-2270**;

Emergency: **911**;

Emergency Management Center: (850) 983-5360; (850) 494-7458; www.santarosa-emergency.com

Florida Fish and Wildlife emergency: 888-404-3922; 850-265-3676, (regional office in Panama City.)



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Things that make you think— What!

*How come the sign at the bridge says “No
Pets On Beach” subject to \$ 500 fine, but
when you call Animal Control, they say it is
38 dollars?*

*How did Escambia County get proper permits
and complete their beach walkovers before
the busy tourist season began?*

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views of the NBRLA.*

NAVARRE BEACH LEASEHOLDERS AND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

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NAVARRE, FL 32566

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CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ BEACH ADDRESS: _____

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Navarre Beach Residents and Leaseholders Association

Please talk to your neighbor's and friends about joining this worthwhile association. The greater the numbers we have, the more impact we have with our local government!

2007 MEETINGS

10:00 a.m.

January 20	July 21
February Cancelled	August 18
March 17	September 15
April 21	October 20-Pearl
May 19	November 17
June 16	December 8

Meetings held at the Regency

September Meeting to Start at 11 a.m. at the Regency
** Second Saturday of Month. Please bring you neighbor's.

May 2007

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Thanks to The Regency for Hosting our NBLRA April Meeting

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Dues were due 1 January

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