



East Merritt Island Homeowners' Association

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
February 9, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Maurice Boudreau leading the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

President Boudreau reported that the annual picnic will be held the last Sunday of April at Kelly Park.

Vice President Mike Lankes had no report.

The minutes of the January meeting were read by Secretary Suzanne Bennitt and approved.

The Treasurer's report for this meeting was read by Mike Lankes and approved.

Webmaster and Newsletter Editor Ben DeHaven was not in attendance.

Membership Chair Deborah Smith reported that the membership database is being finalized to make it more timesaving and user friendly. Billings will be quarterly this year.

Local environmentalist Mary Hillberg passed out a very thorough handout she had prepared and spoke on the proposed freight train issue at length.

Terry LaPlante, a Merritt Island native who currently lives in Melbourne, and who is a member of the League of Women Voters of the Space Coast and the Marine Resources Council, then spoke to the membership. She spoke on fracking in Florida, the All Aboard Florida railroad train, the "green energy" natural gas issue, and wind power. She had several sign-up sheets and handouts concerning these issues.

Deborah Smith moved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Bennitt, Secretary