MBCA General Meeting Minutes of April 12 2016

Location: HomeMakers Club

Officers attending: Joe, Deb, Linda, Christine, Tim, Marshall and Stasia. Approximately 15 members in attendance.

Joe convenes meeting at 12:05PM

Joe asks for a motion to accept previous month's meeting minutes. Marshall makes a motion, Keith seconds.

Motion passes. Minutes are approved.

Deb updates on membership mailing, shows example of postcard for next year. Discussion ensues regarding higher printing costs for postcard, Linda gives recommendations for local printers: PS Print.com, insty print and Xerographic.com.

Joe brings up T-shirt issue and Linda presents her design for badges. Nice work. Joe continues to probe T-shirt challenge regarding local biz promotion. Discussion ensues regarding badges, t-shirts and responsibility implied by wearing same.

Christine reminds members that the 4 "Melrose County Commissioners" will meet at 9am at Senior Center on Monday the 18th to discuss transportation.

Linda updates members on Alachua Rural Cluster process. Discussion ensues regarding who is affected and what the environmental impact will be. Linda urges all concerned to attend the upcoming planning/zoning meeting in Gainesville on April 20th. Discussion ensues regarding the benefits of being positioned in or out of the "rural cluster". Jill gives the history of the rural cluster boundary delineation and why it is important. Jill reminds members that certain property owners have already "lawyered up" to push for development of their "lakeside" property.

Linda switches discussion to Putnam County and holds up front page of Palatka newspaper regarding Melrose historic preservation movement. Linda reminds all that the Melrose Preservation Society meets on the last Monday of the month at the Dream Center.

Other news:

Lake Santa Fe story premieres at Melrose Elementary School on Friday April 22nd. Marshall highlights that the evening is a fundraiser for the school and DVDs will be on sale for \$10. Crystal from Stone and Bone asks how she as a "concerned citizen" can stay in touch with all the issues. Jill suggests checking out Lake Dwellers and also check Melrosefl.com

Jill speaks on the upcoming *Phosphate Mine* vote in Bradford County. This is a big deal and we need to support the moratorium until we have more info. BIG project: 7400 acre mine is proposed on the New River at the Bradford/Union line. This mine will have a very big impact on water quality and the environment in general. The people have made it clear that they do not want it.

IMPORTANT DATES:

April 21st at 6:30 Bradford County Commission meeting in Starke (courthouse), commissioners are scheduled to vote for or against moratorium. We need to "pack the house" to support Danny Roddick who is voting for the moratorium.

April 29th- Workshop 6:30 at the Courthouse in Starke

Please keep a close eye on this situation, some back room deals happening, need to be vigilant.

Joe highlights his Contra Dance on Sunday the 17th. 1-4PM

Liz Bryman highlights successes in Humeville PA- town wide flea market/yard sale.

Discussion ensues regarding street closure as we are a main intersection. Discussion ensues.

No further business, meeting adjourns 1:10PM

minutes submitted by S Rudolph