



## 2025 Gulf Park Civic Association Annual Meeting Minutes

**WHEN:** Tuesday, March 11, 2025 from 7:00 -8:00 pm

**WHERE:** Peace Lutheran Church – Clay Williams presiding

**AGENDA:**

1. **Introduction of Gulf Park Civic Association Officers:** contact email [gulfparkgpca@gmail.com](mailto:gulfparkgpca@gmail.com)

**President:** Clay Williams

**Vice President:** looking for volunteer

**Treasurer:** John Wendelken

**Secretary:** Carol Berry *Rachel Wiggins has volunteered to replace*

**Board of Governors:**

Dina Kramer

Barb Paulson

Nick Gingras (sign committee)

Bob Bokan (sign committee)

Gary Pilson (sign committee)

Vic Wallace (sign committee)

Jay Brodman (County Liaison, non-voting member)

Francie Brodman (Media Coordinator)

Vivian Vega

Bruce Berry

2. **Budget and Neighborhood Dues:** (John W) Budget listed on the [Gulf Park Website](http://gulfpark.net/)(<http://gulfpark.net/>). Purpose of dues: Street lights, Front Entrance mowing and landscaping, signs, and operating expenses. Post Office box fees keep increasing as do mailing expenses. We currently pay for 23 lights.

**Old Business:**

1. Use PayPal, Venmo or a check to pay your dues (John). Instructions for using the Paypal or Venmo App is posted on the [Gulf Park Website](http://gulfpark.net/). Please note that if you pay by PayPal, please choose the "Friends & Family" option for Payment Type so no extra fees are incurred".
2. Social Media is now handled by Clay Williams and Francie Bodman
3. **Signage** (Vic/John): Still looking into signage for Sanders and Bob Gray Roads]  
The hope is to purchase signage for the remaining **8** entrances.

Eventual locations:

1 Sanders (east side)/Tallahassee

2 Sanders (east side)/Naples

- 3 Sanders (east side)/Venice S
- 4 Sanders (west side)/Venice S
- 5 Sanders (west side)/Panama
- 6 Sanders (west side)/Venice N
- 7 Bob Gray/Cedar Grove
- 8 Bob Gray/ Delray

We have a signage committee now. There is an old sign on Delray, it just needs refreshing. One of the signs at the main entrance needs a little paint. It is suggested to target a Sanders location for the first sign.

Vic Wallace reported we can pretty much get the sign for cost (for parts). The signs would be 2" or 3" thick HDU mounted in a steel frame with post and set in concrete. John W. proposed a motion and Vic seconded it. All agreed.

4. **Report from Gulf Park Recreation Association** – Pool and Tennis report (Kimberly Evers)  
Reminder that the pool is membership based. (As a recurring theme, they could use volunteers too)  
The GPRA is linked from our website, the direct link is <http://gulfparkrecreation.org/>

### **New Business:**

1. Visit from our District 3 County Commissioner. Gina Oster (she lives in Belmont West). .She brought Estella Carbucks, her Junior commissioner She encouraged people in Gulf Park to attend County Commission Meetings (posted on <https://commission.knoxcountytn.gov/documents/scheduled-meetings> ) and other informational meetings which may be posted on Ms. Oster's page <https://commission.knoxcountytn.gov/people/commissioner-gina-oster/>

Ms. Oster reported that there will be more repaving in the Cedar Bluff area, and that she, along with some volunteers, filled in some potholes on Sanders Rd. She has requested repaving Sanders all together. There are plans to replace street signs all over the area. Also, behind Weigels, 2 acres will be turned into a wildflower area, students from nearby schools can observe native plants.

There are also discussions to change where people drop off and pick up students for the two public schools on Cedar Bluff Rd. This would be the side driveway entrance on Gulf Park Rd. There are new apartments being built on the southside and new townhomes on the northside of Dutchtown Rd.

Someone raised the question about speed bumps on Gulf Park Rd. It has been requested before but voted down at previous meetings.

Ms. Oster welcomes you to contact her with any questions or concerns.

The meeting was also attended by Kim Frazier, Knox County Commissioner at Large and her jr commissioner.

2. **Volunteers Needed!**
  - a. Open Officer positions Vice President
  - b. Hospitality Coordinator (or the Board?)

Rachel Wiggins on Sarasota has volunteered to be secretary.  
Clay Williams is now President.

*GPCA Bylaws:*

*XI. (1) The election of officers shall be held annually at the January General Meeting.*

- (2) No officer may be elected to the same office consecutively but may again be elected to the same office after an interval of one year.*
- (3) To be a duly constituted executive officer, the person must receive a majority of the votes of those present at the annual election meeting.*
- (4) The elected officers will take office at the end of the January General Meeting.*
- (5) In the event that a member of the Board of Governors is unable to fulfill their term of office, the remaining members of the Board of Governors shall elect a person to fulfill the rest of the term.*

**Thank you** to all our new and past volunteers!