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Chairman's Column

Naples has certainly enjoyed a terrific season and so has the CCPC.

We had a fantastic assortment of guest speakers. You could say they were coming and going. Penny Taylor our new District 4 Commissioner, who had a proven record as an outstanding city council member discussed her vision as well as the challenges that the county will be facing in the coming years. Fred Coyle the former Commissioner presented a terrific overview of his thoughts as to where we are and where we are headed. In the mean time he's gone fishing.

Dr. Allen Weiss, CEO & President of NCH gave an overview of the Blue Zone initiative. Personally, I enjoy watching the NFL Red Zone. Steve Carnell, Director of Public Services and Barry Williams, Director of Parks & Recreation brought us up to speed on the recent Farmers Market issues. Rob Samouce, a locally respected attorney who specializes in Condo & HOA law gave an update on the latest statutes impacting associations as well as his thoughts regarding the question on security obligations, if any, for Associations.

We also were enlightened by Dwight Brock on the role of the Collier County Clerk of the Courts and learned that nothing is a secret anymore. We learned from Abe Skinner, the Collier County Property Appraiser, how property appraisals are determined, and they sure are going up.

We heard from Norm Feder who literally went from the frying pan into the fire. He was the former County Director of Transportation and presently serves as the Deputy Commissioner of the North Collier Fire Control & Rescue District. He spoke about the merits of consolidating North Naples & the Big Corkscrew Island Fire Control & Rescue District.

We also conducted workshops on a multitude of Association related issues. What makes the CCPC unique is that we have members who truly care about their communities. We recognize that we don't have the corner on brains. We are willing to learn as well as contribute on how to be more effective and efficient in managing our communities.

Since we represent thousands of doors in our county when we speak we are listened to and are in a better position to get the attention of the decision makers. So why not become part of our team. Simply send us an e-mail and we'll sign you up.

While we will be closed down for the months of July & August, we will be back in business in September better than ever. We intend to bring in more interesting guest speakers and conduct important workshops based upon the interests of our members.

Enjoy the summer

Paul Feuer