Members in Attendance: Stephanie Ganser, Richard King, Joe Garnett, Corey Boyett, Miranda Rutledge, Neal Shulman, Emily Wilkes, Sim Wilkes, Bill Kerls, Lt. DeNoia, Jennie McNeilly, Taylor Ferimer, Colton Freund, Andrea Weaver

Members Absent: Brent Massey, Rob McGee, Patrice Willetts

Community Members Present: Ocean Mihal, Sandra Mihal, Sharon Dorsam, Fred Doll, Dr. Murray Seidel, Elvan Thorup, Carl Pike, Mandy Andersa

UNCW Staff Present: Dr. Mike Walker

City Staff Present: Amy Beatty, Officer A. Vaziri

Minutes were approved for July 2016 Alliance Meeting

Introductions of Alliance members, CAGNA has two new officers, Emily and Sim, who were introduced to the group.

Alliance Reports
UNCW: Stephanie Ganser, Assistant Dean, Office of the Dean of Students, Proposal- UNCW Business Affairs does not have an interest at this time to purchase property on College Acres Drive or spend university funds on city jurisdiction. If that changes in the future then Business Affairs will reach out. Since the proposal highlights concerns on college acres drive specifically, we suggest to look at CAGNA leadership to follow up with the City of Wilmington if they want anything changed. Move in weekend for UNCW happened in August. UNCW welcomed 2,200 freshmen and had 1,800 volunteers to welcome everyone who lives on campus. UNCW currently has 14,000 undergraduate and over 1,000 graduate students for Fall 2016. UNCW received 43 citations from District 5 where UNCW students were involved in noise violations. All students received a letter outlining expectations and 5 students got 1 on 1 meetings with me because they were cited twice. Stephanie has connected with code and zoning about concerns community members brought to UNCW’s attention. We have continued to speak with 5 different community members over email and the phone and have followed up with concerns they have. We also met with new CAGNA leadership to aid in the transition.

City of Wilmington: Richard King--Amy Beatty is the new community service director. Met with Mr. Shulman between July and October to discuss issues. The City of Wilmington is reaching out to other cities of what they are doing. Raleigh, looking at permitting. Looking at state legislative issues. There will be legislative changes in January 2017.

UNCW: Lt. DeNoia, University Police
Bike and alcohol larcenies up from last year

UNCW: Taylor Ferimer and Colton Freund, UNCW Student Leaders
Colton- spoke to residents who are on Rose Avenue. Will be graduating in May. Brought Von who will take over his position in the future.
Taylor Ferimer- Student Government Association members complete community service hours each semester. The message that is communicated to students is to "Respect your bounds" and to think about what you are doing and where you are living. SGA has also done Wrightsville Beach clean ups. They have connected people with volunteer opportunities and nonprofits

UNCW: Andrea Weaver, Office of University Relations
Andrea provided information about the UNCW strategic plan. There was a Fall public awareness campaign with communication studies. It was also communicated that everyone needed to pick up after their dog.

CFCC: Rob McGee, Dean of Student Affairs- Not present for meeting

City of Wilmington: Sgt Richards and Cpt Lanier, sharing information with UNCW when violations occur off campus. UNCW is notified and take actions. Party patrol was successful this fall and all calls are responded to. Most community members have gotten the message about parties off campus and they have changed their behavior. This will be Sgt. Richards last meeting, someone has been promoted, will have full time lieutenant for District 5. Once that person gets in place they will get that information. Captain Lanier will remain on the alliance. They have assigned Officer Vaziri to monitor Rose Avenue and will be the point of contact for residents for that street.

City of Wilmington: Joe Garnett- College Acres Drive, Clear Run, and Rose Avenue, you will see yard debris from the recent storm, it will be picked up by the city. Right of way violations are 48 hours, but because of the storm, yard debris will be handled, does not include the other trash/couches/etc. Joe has followed up on College Acres Drive on car, yard, and trash violations. There was a junk vehicle at 5010 College Acres Drive. 220-1 Rose Avenue, behind 220 Rose Avenue is considered a secondary unit. "Invalid complaint" means no violation at the time. There is a Latino festival on Saturday, Coming to UNCW Off-Campus Housing Fair on November 16. The City of Wilmington will be hiring two more people for code enforcement. If there are three violations in one calendar year they are considered a chronic violator. An active case is 15 days to comply. Joe used to do zoning, but he does not anymore. He does public nuisances and junk vehicles.

Solid Waste: Corey Boyett- Corey is now using the two warning method for cans left out. The first warning will be a notification left on the can or door. The second and final warning will be a letter sent to the landlord and tenant. The next violation will result in a civil fine. Thank you for the continual calls reporting trash can/bulky violations. Crews have come by and picked up yard waste and bulky after the storm. Larger yard waste will be picked up next week. I will continue with tenant and landlord outreach.
Reminder of yard waste regulations – The City will collect up to 7 cubic yards of yard waste per collection. This is equal to a pile approximately 3.5 feet high, 11 feet long and 5 feet wide – about the same size of 8 large garbage cans. Limbs should be no more than 4 feet long and 6 inches in diameter. I have flyers with graphics if anyone wants one.

Alcohol Law Enforcement: Brent Massey, Special Agent in Charge- Not present for meeting

Wilmington Apartment Association: Miranda Rutledge- Thanked Stephanie Ganser for giving her Good Neighbor Packets to distribute.

Wilmington Board of Realtors: Patrice Willets- Not present for meeting

Wilmington Neighborhood Residents
a. Emily Wilkes and Sim Wilkes, College Acres Drive- new to CAGNA leadership. Have seen concerns with 5010 and 5014 College Acres Drive. Learning about the alliance process.

b. Bill Kerls, Carleton Place- Carleton Place has a private police force, in good shape.

c. Roger Ryan, Council of Neighborhood Associations- overall report on parking, in the area that code enforcement is policing, they want a map that shows parking zones. “We didn't get a standing ovation about it” (in regards to the Parking Proposal). It is impossible for Joe to keep track on a daily basis to police that area. Want the university to police it. On the weekends "nobody seems to care". “I know Joe tries and it is an overwhelming thing.” Spent a couple years with the city law department. Owner occupied has no restrictions. No more than 3 related is tough to police.

d. Neal Shulman, Dixon Acres- Welcomed Amy Beatty to the group, pleased she is in the position. Since the last meeting, there have been 4 calls. The reason being "no more". Unprecedented vacancies because of actions of property owners. 6 house are being rented for $1,000 or less. There are a total of 9 houses that are empty. Property owners and managers have his attention. Three houses zoning has connected with. By using the rules that are out there we can stop the problems. Go out there twice a night, "kids" understand to not make noise, sits on the back deck. Had a lot of different meetings in Raleigh, saying it is a state wide problem and says there will be changes state wide. If you want to make a difference, hit them where it hurts, in their pocket. Signs are a zoning issue, and they do not have the man power. Wants people from every neighborhood to go to a class, dispose through the city methods. Neal said he will not leave property owners alone. Neal has spoken to John Barham for certain issues.

Public Comment
Fred Doll brought up a concern about the good neighbor packet. He wanted better language to communicate where community members should park on their property.

Neal Shulman shared that he wants zero tolerance for parking issues. From that comment, Emily Wilkes shared that her husband and her have two different cars, daughter's caretaker has one car, parents come and visit, up to 4 cars, sometimes a friend will come over.
Sgt. Richards- several years ago, all officers are code officers when it comes to noise violations. What would have to happen that Sterling, Chief, Code would have to discuss and see if it was appropriate.

Sim- is there a committee within the state that does what the UCRA does?

Neal- Wants UNCW students to pay an extra fee to pay for officers for the city.

Dr. Murray Seidel- Neal's idea is good with UNCW get more officers, he knows UNCW cannot do that. UNCW is going to have more people attending the university. Easy to get lost in the swap. Parking is not the real problem. Kids don't know the difference between the driveway, yard, etc. He wants rentals to have their own district in regards to parking. Says the alliance has changed things. There are 20 people sitting at this table dealing with problems. How many students own two vehicles? Questioned about having parking permits? Very appreciative of what the alliance is doing now. Two years ago it was more difficult. Residents have spoken about the intimidation factor, wants a shield mechanism is with the “800 lb gorilla.”

Ocean Mihal- went to drop off groceries, contacted the police this past week about noise. Question for WPD- an officer will respond, let new officers know about the Rose Ave situation of the zero tolerance rule. Sgt. Richards- yes it will be addressed.

Dr. Mike Walker- students who violate crimes, those students have been suspended. The vast majority will go to Cape Fear Community College. The plan is to take 2,250 freshmen next year, slow growth model. Master plan of more on campus housing, apartment complexes are promoted to the properties. Growth will be graduate students and distance learners.

Roger Ryan- besides Joe, wants to know the map district. Does anyone really care about how many people park in the front yard? The landlords need to be held responsible.

Taylor- more students are on campus.

Joe Garnett- want to stage violations, partner with UNCW.

Colton Freund- can Joe show up and share when possible violations occur can you talk to residents. In response, Joe- explains violation, can continue more.