

Still at a Stalemate as of 9/19/24

What has changed since my last email blast on August 10th? Basically nothing.

I spoke with City Attorney Randy Hayes last week to see if there had been any progress with confirming a Special Magistrate hearing for the Tomoka Oaks golf course property. Mr. Hayes said the city and the developer are still at a stalemate for the same reasons stated in my [last email blast](#). And don't forget - the threat of a lawsuit by the developer against the City of Ormond Beach is still a possibility.

Some local Trivia to help pass the time while we wait!

Answers at the bottom

1. Originally Nova Road was known as the Truck Route and as the Canal Road. How did it get renamed to Nova in 1975?

- a) Nova McElroy, wife of the first Tomoka Oaks, Inc. President, William R. McElroy, had the road renamed to Nova as a fitting tribute to her family's legacy.
- b) A real estate agent for Tomoka Oaks simply did not like the name Canal Road on his business cards and got it changed to Nova Road when inspired by a Nova missile at Cape Canaveral.
- c) In 1975, the Mayor's wife was the top saleswoman for Avon in Volusia county, and to honor her achievement the city renamed the road to Nova (Avon backwards).

2. A 1974 real estate ad for Tomoka Oaks stated "off" golf course lots started at \$9,950. What did "on" golf course lot prices start at?

- a) \$12,500
- b) \$19,500
- c) \$ 25,500

3. Sam Snead, namesake and designer of the Sam Snead Golf and Country Club in the center of Tomoka Oaks, was one of the top players in the world from the mid 1930's - mid 1970's. Which comic strip did Sam appear in several times?

- a) Amazing Spider Man
- b) Dennis the Menace
- c) Peanuts

4. Most of us have driven past the island at the intersection of Main Trail and Nova Road hundreds, if not thousands, of times. Who or what is buried in that island next to The Trails Shopping Center?

- a) A dog named "Brownie" who passed away while his owner was developing The Trails subdivision.
- b) A time capsule compiled by a local Girl Scout Troup while earning their "history preservation" badges.
- c) A lock of hair from Nova McElroy.

Answers

1-B, 2-B, 3-C, 4-A



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