

NHCA Community Meeting September 11, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President, Dr. Delta Bowers. Dr. Bowers welcomed everyone to the meeting. She recognized the loss of 9-11.

Community- Pledge of Allegiance

Members stood and pledged the United States Flag.

Review of Minutes -minutes were reviewed by attendees. Changes to minutes noted that Chamberlayne Baptist Church National Night Out was organized by Leslie and Betty Winston; The pastor of Chamberlayne Heights Methodist organized that facility. Minutes were approved with above corrections. The motion was made by Ms. Levecia and was seconded by Mr. Diaz.

NHCA New Business

Security-Officer Gough

Officer Gough noted an email from Anne McCrae- Hurricane preparedness reminders

- Check your batteries, flashlights, get a Go Kit together just in case, keep your cell phone charged, have gas for generators, develop a phone tree to check on each other. Check on folks around you as we have had neighbors pass away and no one knew. Police will do a welfare check if you have concerns; just call the non-emergency number.
- Mr. Diaz has concerns about the speed limit and the amount of traffic on St. Charles with students walking down the street. He notes that even though kids are walking the cars speeding. Concern about school bus crossing Parham Road at St. Charles. Concern about installing a traffic light at St. Charles, extending the turning lane at Parham and St. Charles, no need for large trucks on St. Charles. Signage is on the streets concerning weight limits but something needs to be done about amount of traffic. Officer Gough stated that is possible to have commercial inspections of trucks and the weight of trucks that are using the street to determine the purpose of some of the traffic. She noted that the bus concern is a matter for pupil transportation. She stated that if large trucks are delivering in the area they have to be able to utilize connecting streets. Officer Gough also noted that she will try to have more radar checks concerning the speed. She reminded us to please remember to lock our vehicles. There is no increase in crime in the area at this time.
- A member noted that the problem with people parking at the group home was resolved 2 days after the last meeting. It was appreciated.

Officer Gough was thanked for her efforts.

Community Maintenance-Delta Bowers

Dr. Bowers noted that we need continue to maintain the upkeep of our properties. Things like broken garage doors, chipping paint, high grass, need to be addressed. Be vigilant as the wet weather is keeping snakes active in the area.

One neighbor and his dog were attacked by another dog. It was noted that there is no leash law in the county, you have to have control of your dog. In this case the dog was put down. Officers were placed in the area to monitor the situation for a period of time.

County/Community Initiatives-Delta Bowers

- Real Estate Values- Ms. Anderson an area realtor provided information on home values and cost. Realtors try to help you market your house to meet your needs. Curve appeal - shrubbery cut, grass cut, clearing of debris. Modernization of your house is good, updating the facilities is a plus. One member Mr. Christian is concerned about the housing values. The county will be in touch to discuss this issue further.

Mr. Jennings-Assistant Director of Public Works

- St Charles- There are partial sidewalks on the road. Evaluate the possibility of sidewalks all the way to Parham and determine the feasibility.
- Possibility of signals at Parham and St. Charles- there has been an evaluation but the area does not meet any of the requirements for a traffic light. Will check with pupil transportation concerning the buses.
- Signs of additional fines for speeding, traffic cones, there is a truck restriction on the road that allows larger trucks to utilize the road for business. Consideration of the traffic since the school is there.
- Golf course is still county owned. Ideas are being discussed
- Brook Run Landings is adding 84 condos and townhouses.
- Flower shop approved for 2 retail spots. Request for cleanup of debris at the corner. Waiting for the builder to get started.
- Days Inn has a building permit to update the tenant space and fix the roof but nothing is being done yet.
- Crack in the middle of the street of Sterling Forest Parkway straight down the street. There is a small patch but it is failing.
- Concerns about Chickahominy Bluff main street shows countless patches that require frequent intervention.
- Department of utilities are coming in and they are trying to determine what needs to be repaved.

Mr. Jennings was thanked for his service.

CAT Theater Lease- Delta Bowers

Difference of opinion on the lease agreement; that has been resolved. CAT agreed to cover excess utilities then refused to do that. We are working with CAT and Virginia Rep to build a strong entity. Mr. Bruce Miller and Phillip Whiteway from VA Rep are working to facilitate a compromise. At this time we are looking at \$1600 a month rent since CAT is using the building 12 months a year.

Elections of 2018-2019 Board of Directors

- **President- Delta Bowers**

- **VP of Community Relations- Lisa Walker**
- **VP of Membership- Carmen Daugherty**
- **VP of Building Operations- ___ TBD ___**
- **Treasurer- Phillip Kirby**
- **Co-Secretaries- Deborah Norris & Phyllis Washington**
- Mr. Hicks is stepping down from building maintenance due to health concerns. Nominations were asked for to fill that position. The responsibilities of that positions were delineated. Chris Christian was nominated for that position. Nomination was tabled until we could talk with Mr. Christian.

National Night Out Results- Bill Schmidt

This was the 7th National Night Out Celebration. Dr. Bowers hosted the civic association building; Chamberlayne Baptist Church was hosted by Les and Betty Winston; the first Mennonite Church was hosted by their outreach chairman, Ken Wermuth; and Chamberlayne United Methodist was hosted by Pastor Linda Ray. 11 association members and numerous church members volunteered to assist with this event. Donations of water for each site was made by Big Apple Grocery, The Richmond Chapter of 100 Black Women door prizes, and a mailed flyer courtesy of Friend Wells of Assist to Sell. There were over 245 people in attendance plus county personnel who also supplied fire, rescue, and police equipment. Additional information can be found in Mr. Schmidt's report.

NHCA Old Business

Marketing- Delta Bowers

Building & Grounds Update-Delta Bowers

Capital Landscaping contract is up for renegotiation. Clarification of expectations will be discussed.

Membership Drive Update-Carmen Daugherty

175 households as of September 10, 2018, \$665 capital campaigns \$6,310 total. 217 paid households last year. We would like to surpass last year's numbers.

Treasurer's Report-Phillip Kirby

August 31- \$15,863 cash balance. We have an agreement with Vector Security for a security system for the building. We will get together to get the codes set so that it can be activated.

Fundraisers 50/50 Drawing-Carmen Daugherty

Mr. Diaz won the Elvis Book

Ms. Janeen Walker won the Guinness Book of World Records

Mr. Bob Newsome won the \$14 out of the \$28 50/50 drawing

Questions and Concerns-Prepare for the hurricane- Be safe!

Good of the Order

Meeting Adjourned at 8:17