

## Northern Henrico Civic Association

### Community Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 8, 2022, 6:30 p.m.

**WELCOME/CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by President Dr. Delta Bowers. Dr. Bowers welcomed all and extended Happy Fall greetings.

**COMMUNITY:** Attendees repeated the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES 09/13/2022:** Copies of the minutes were provided and were read silently. Correction was made regarding Financial Report that parking lot fee is \$1,000 *per year not per month* as recorded. ***Motioned by Carmen Daugherty to approve the minutes with noted correction. Seconded by Sam Banks. Motion carried.***

#### NHCA BUSINESS

**COUNTY/COMMUNITY INITIATIVES:** President Bowers reported that Henrico County representatives who reported at NHCA September meeting have been responsive and update with follow-up.

**SECURITY:** Officer Hearn acknowledged that interface with the representatives was helpful. He reported that the Old Days Inn property has been reported sold with a closing date of November 15, 2022. The property is proposed to be rezoned for government regulated affordable housing. In response, several residents expressed opposition to subsidized housing at that location. Officer Hearn also reported that housing proposed behind Family Dollar on Chamberlayne Avenue is comparable to the current community.

The 911 Center is short-staffed. Police officers are cross trained to handle dispatch. Officers are working patrol who have held other non-uniform positions. The Police Department is hiring. The Police Department is behind times and needs referendum support. The Training Center is currently co-shared. The Department needs a police-focus only center for training driving, active shooting, etc.

Resident inquired of crime at Azalea and Laburnum. Officer Hearn stated that there has been success on arrests. There is a problem with repeat offenders. Some laws repealed that formerly helped are being reinstated. Officer Hearn encouraged residents "see something, say something". The construction at Azalea and Meadowbridge is road expansion for entry to the shopping center parking lot.

Officer Hearn was thanked for his report.

**COMMUNITY MAINTENANCE:** President Bowers stated that the representative is not effective in enforcing maintenance issues. She will forward a complaint.

**MARKETING:** Residents were encouraged to listen to Rejoice Radio 101.3 or [RejoiceRadio.com/streaming](http://RejoiceRadio.com/streaming). Member Cathy Wysong is a host and broadcasts NHCA.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Carmen Daugherty, VP Membership, reported nine (9) additional memberships since last meeting. Two hundred nine (209) households are members @ \$30-\$60 each. Forty (40) households have contributed to the Capital Campaign fund @ \$5-\$100 each. VP Daugherty further reported that letters were sent to eighty (80) households that were previous members soliciting their renewal.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Phillip Kirby, Treasurer, distributed and reviewed the Financial Report for the period ending October 31, 2022. Income from MPLC is a refund of a duplicate payment for movie rental. In response to question as when heating oil was delivered, Mr. Kirby stated he will look it up and report back.

Beginning Balance as of June 1, 2022	\$18,088.61
Income (YTD)	<u>\$16,615.00</u>
Sub-Total	\$34,703.61
Less Expenses (YTD)	<u>\$16,560.83</u>
Account Balance as of 10/31/2022	\$18,142.78*

\*The account balance is inclusive of Capital Campaign Funds of \$7,895.50 raised FY16-FY23.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Mr. Bill Schmidt announced a raffle to raise funds for the National Association for Mentally Ill (NAMI). He provided an overview of the program's objective and services for the mentally ill. Tickets were sold for a drawing for a \$125 gift certificate to a local spa at Lakeside and Hilliard Road. The drawing was won by member Cathy Wysong.

President Bowers announced a proposed NHCA Holiday Social one evening between December 15<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. Final announcement will be forthcoming.

President Bowers acknowledged Officer Hearn's ongoing support to the community.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

*Phyllis M. Washington, Assistant Secretary*