

Northern Henrico Civic Association Meeting

January 14, 2020

Minutes

WELCOME/CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m. by President Dr. Delta Bowers. Happy New Year greetings were extended. Attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA 01/14/2020: Motioned by Philip Kirby to approve the agenda for tonight's meeting as presented. Seconded by Mrs. Newsome. Motion carried.

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of November 12, 2019 were reviewed. Correction to the minutes regarding the erection of monumental walls as follows: *One monument to be placed at Dirk and Wilkinson for the Chamberlayne Farms community. One monument to be placed at Wilkinson and Haverhill for the Wildwood community.* Motioned by Bill Schmidt to approve the minutes with stated correction. Seconded by Philip Kirby. Motion carried.

NHCA NEW BUSINESS

Security: Officer Gough was **not** absent, but had forwarded information to Dr. Bowers who presented the following on her behalf. Scam at **Arrington**; package stolen from resident's porch; and car break-in at Sterling Forest.

Community Maintenance: Mark Ballos, Zoning Inspector reported the following: Leaf collection will be conducted 01/26-02/01. Demolition has begun at the old Days Inn property. The County is still pursuing legal action with Virginia Center Commons re building codes. Illegal dumping has occurred at closed McDonald's on Chamberlayne and at the **Hungary Grove Shopping Center**. Construction at the Brook Road/Wilkinson corner lot has been delayed due to installation of lines and cable. Concern was expressed that the lot is an eyesore and needs to be cleaned. Construction storage on the residential lot on Cavendish Lane has been resolved.

Marketing: Dr. Bowers reported that Ernie Winters is maintaining NHCA website update. Monica Kauffman reported that she is updating Facebook with community stories to share. See Northern Henrico Civic Association for the Facebook pop up.

Buildings and Grounds: Dr. Bowers reported in the absence of Chris Christian, VP Building Operations. Capital Landscaping contract has been updated. CAT has filed a complaint regarding the toilet not functioning to attendance capacity. The exterminator has trapped mice in the facility. A trap door needs to be installed to prevent mice entry.

Community Initiatives: Census 2020 will commence in April. This year will be the first time online. Job opportunities are available at \$21/hour to get the system up and running and maybe some field work. The positions are part time/temporary for 3-4 months.

Membership Update: Carmen Daugherty, VP Membership reported that as of last report 3 households have paid a total of \$150.

Treasurer's Report: Philip Kirby reviewed the Financial Report for the period ending December 2019. The cash balance was \$23,001.56. An “actual” column has been added to reflect expenses for 2-month period. Additional cost was incurred for landscaping work. There is a variance in the parking lot fee paid to Aquatic Center.

A recommendation was made to reduce membership dues to \$10. Discussion ensued. Motioned by Bill Schmidt to accept first-time membership dues of \$10 for a 30-day period ending February 15, 2020, with membership effective through May 31, 2020, after which regular dues will be imposed. Seconded by Cheryl Cadaret. Motion carried by a show of hands.

Community Improvement: The floor was opened for questions and answers and recommendations to improve our community. The following was generated: a street light at St. Charles and Parham; extend sidewalk to school to **Arrington**; install lighting at NHCA Building entrance; concern re Chamberlayne Elementary children unable to pay medical bills; concern re amount of money spent to renovate Chamberlayne Elementary; NHCA Building needs an uplift; concern re monitoring clean-up by CAT (informed that Building and Grounds VP has checklist); use to hold teenage dances at the Center; Brookfield neighbor shared street event success; hold more social events; Spring Fling; Farmers Market in parking lot.

As a result, it was recommended that a Social Committee be established. The following persons volunteered to participate: Cheryl Cadaret, Gaye King, Dr. Bowers, Mrs. Newsome, Susan Wood and Jayell Alexander.

Dr. Bowers announced that Mr. Schmidt is stepping down as chair of National Night Out, but will serve as a consultant. He was acknowledged and thanked for his service.

FUNDRAISER (50/50 Drawing)

\$16 was won by Bill Schmidt who donated the funds back to the Association.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis M. Washington, Assistant Secretary