

Northern Henrico Civic Association Meeting

Via Zoom

Tuesday, March 9, 2021, 6:30 p.m.

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by President Dr. Delta Bowers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by attendees.

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES 01/12/2021: Bill Schmidt noted correction that comments attributed to him stating residents' concern regarding the size of Wildwood wall sign were made by Dr. Bowers. Motioned to approve the minutes with noted correction by Pat Taylor. Seconded by Lauren Caudell. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motioned to approve the agenda as received by Bill Schmidt. Seconded by Amber Brister. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Philip Kirby, Treasurer presented and reviewed the Financial Report for a 2-month period ending February 28, 2021. Income 10 cents; expenses \$5,156.62; cash balance \$16,437.32 (inclusive of Capital Campaign Funds). Mr. Kirby highlighted expenses that included quarter parking lot rental \$750; legal expense \$300; land survey \$250; and purchase of chairs from CAT \$1,500 (150 chairs at \$10/each).

In response to question raised Dr. Bowers stated that NHCA owns the land the building sits on and we pay for usage of the parking lot.

Motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report by Lisa Walker. Seconded by Cheryl Cadaret. Motion carried.

SECURITY: Officer Gough reported an incident of identity theft revealed when a W2 was sent to the victim's home from a business they did not work; another incident of a Verizon account opened in victim's name. Officer Gough counseled residents to check their credit reports. Three (3) free reports may be obtained annually. She further warned to lock car doors, house and windows for added security.

COMMUNITY MAINTENANCE: Officer Gough reported that Brian Hite is the Community Maintenance person to report related concerns. There has been more incidents of maintenance trucks, utility trailers, etc. parked long term on the street. These vehicles are required to park off street. Dr. Bowers stated there is a new database for reporting concerns. Officer Gough will research and report back.

NHCA PROPOSED REVENUE STREAMS: Cathy Wysong, Fundraising Chairperson reported on the NHCA drive-in movie event for March 19th. Five to six hundred (500-600) fliers have been distributed throughout the communities. As well, the event is posted on Next Door Neighbor website and fliers placed with Stump's. SwimRVA is paying for the movie rental equipment. *Hidden Figures* is the movie that will be showing.

Comments and questions were raised regarding the cost with some proposals to lower the price for members whose dues are current. Ms. Wysong reminded that the entry is \$30 membership dues per car of 2-6 occupants. If dues are paid up for the current membership year the monies will be applied to next year.

Chris Dovi, CODEVA reported that a local homeowner would like to sponsor a movie series at the cost of \$600 for a number of movies. Ms. Wysong stated she would like to review the proposal further before making a decision.

Dr. Bowers reported that Chris Christian, VP Building Operations is in the process of negotiating with Henrico Schools and other entities for rental of the NHCA building, another revenue source.

NHCA IMPROVEMENTS

Grant Approved by Supervisor Frank Thornton: Dr. Bowers announced the receipt of \$69,000 from Henrico County for building improvements including windows, ceiling, flooring, entry wall at Chamberlayne Heights and construction of an NHCA parking lot (if needed).

COUNTY/COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

Chamberlayne Farms Entrance Signs: Mr. Schmidt inquired status of solar lighting and landscaping at the Wildwood wall. Dr. Bowers stated that she has made contact with our landscaping company to address the matter.

CAA/SwimRVA Update: Adam Kennedy, Executive Director SwimRVA announced that Chickahominy Aquatics Association (CAA) is in agreement to lease the property to SwimRVA. SwimRVA wants to make improvements on the property. Mr. Kennedy introduced Jeff Geiger who provided an overview as follows: amend the conditional use permit which was last updated in 1961; construct a new building as an added wing and storage area; place mechanicals below ground level; construct a graveled road from parking lot; expand bathroom and reception areas and three multi-purpose rooms; temporary tents over pool deck for year-round usage (to remain up 6-month period October-March); close children's pool; conduct training sessions for youth/seniors in swimming, water aerobics, CPR, life guard, and yoga; operations 5 a.m. to 9 p.m. outdoors/5 a.m. to 11 p.m. indoors/ 6x year up to midnight.

Mr. Geiger further reported that there will be no public address systems or starter guns. No additional outdoor poles will be mounted and parking lot lighting will be limited to security level and shielded to direct away from adjacent properties. Mechanicals along the building will be screened from view with landscaping.

Presentation will be made to the Henrico County Board of Appeals with results anticipated in April. SwimRVA wishes to hold a community meeting to share the proposed plans.

The meeting was opened for questions and comments from attendees (see italics). *What is timeline to open?* SwimRVA will take over beginning Summer. *Wish to reserve the children's swimming pool. Will basketball courts be removed; wish to keep them?* Yes. *What are dimensions of the building?* 7,200 sq. ft. *How many other pools have kiddie pools?* Don't know. *Will cookout area behind pool remain?* Yes. *When will community meeting be held?* Via Webex with a date pending. Letters will go out. *What is timeline for breaking ground?* Will begin in the Fall with completion by Summer 2022.

Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Geiger were thanked for their presentation.

Social Committee Report: Gaye King, Committee Chairperson had no report, but expressed that the drive-in movie night was a good social event coordinated by Cathy Wysong and Chris Dovi. Ms. Wysong stated that other activities are under review.

Results of Meeting with Frank Thornton: Dr. Bowers reported that the NHCA Board had a successful meeting with Supervisor Frank Thornton. (Receipt of \$69,000 from the County was reported earlier on the agenda.) Ongoing items of concern expressed by attendees included the Green City Project and its potential impact on traffic patterns and the possibility of unwanted public transportation in the vicinity. North Wilkinson still needs street repairs. Crosswalks are needed at Chamberlayne/Diane and Chamberlayne/Wilkinson intersections. Sidewalks are needed in school area. Traffic control needed at new O'Reilly's site and ongoing concern at St. Charles and Parham intersection. The incident regarding the hit and run incident that killed a police officer was cited with regards to the need for education on how to walk on roadways. This includes cyclists. Dr. Bowers stated that she will post on Facebook. Recommendation was made to also distribute fliers in schools.

2021-2022 ELECTIONS – MAY 2021: Elections of NHCA officers to the Board will occur in May. Members were asked to email their interest, or nomination of a member, to the NHCA website nhcahenrico@gmail.com prior to the May NHCA Community meeting. Officer positions are listed on the meeting agenda.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS UPDATE: Dr. Bowers reported, in the absence of VP Chris Christian, that we continue to employ the services of Capital Landscaping.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE: Carmen Daugherty, VP Membership reported that the membership drive continues. As of last report we have 2 more memberships and 3 more for the new membership year. To date 218 households have paid dues; 21 households paid into Capital Campaign funds. Funds collected to date \$7,970.50. Ms. Daugherty stated anticipation of increased membership from the drive-in movie night venture. In response to question raised on how members will get their membership cards, Ms. Daugherty replied that she will drop the card off at the member's request.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis M. Washington, Assistant Secretary