



Hillcrest Community Civic Association

"Working Together for a Better Community"

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Membership Minutes

October 3, 2009

In the absence of President Williams and the 1st Vice President, 2nd VP Kathy Chamberlain called the meeting to order at 10:00AM.

Chaplin Hawkins gave the inspirational message followed by the pledge of allegiance.

The September 2009 minutes were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report

The associations' balance as of October 3, 2009 is \$7075.93. The Treasurer's report was approved by the general membership.

Membership

- Membership dues are due for 2009. There are approximately 100 households that have not paid their membership dues for 2009.
- Kathy noted that an article will be published in the newsletter on the publication of the membership directory. Each member can opt out of the directory; the book will be produced in hardcopy only and purchasers of the booklet must sign that the booklet will not be distributed. Only members whose dues are current will be published.
- The cost of the booklet will be between \$5 and \$10.

Library Report

Miles Steele presented the library report on behalf of Julia Karell. The interim library location will be behind Anne Beers. Library hours have been changed due to budget cuts; new hours are posted on the library website. Upcoming programs include a home buying seminar and a Saturday Arts & Crafts program for ages 3 -13.

ANC

Robin Marlin gave the ANC 7B report. The topics included the conditions at the Marketplace Safeway based on reports given by Willard Poteat.

Other Topics/Issues

Derek Green of Green Gardening operates a garden program and would like to work with residents to start a garden in their yards or a designated area in Hillcrest. An announcement about the gardening program will be placed on the listserv.

Streets, Traffic, Transportation Report

Carrie Thornhill attended the City Council Hearing on September 17, 2009 on the 11th Street Project. The council has taken full action on the project and a resolution is underway on the lawsuit by the Capitol Hill Restoration Society.



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20th Anniversary

The anniversary celebration was a success and came in under budget; Carrie Thornhill and the anniversary committee were warmly acknowledged by the membership. Pictures will be posted on the website. Channel 16 has been running the video of the event.

Environmental

Mary Ross reported on the success of the Blessing of the Trees festival. The festival supports the three schools in Hillcrest.

Public Safety

David Kirkpatrick reported on the National Night Out which was attended by 100 persons including 17 block captains. David also thanked the officers that setup and cleaned up after the event. Naylor Gardens is hosting a picnic today October 3rd. One of the objectives in Naylor Gardens is to recruit neighborhood watch building captains.

Zone 9 will hold a block party on Saturday, October 10th.

PSA 606/Public Safety Report

Sgt. Mike Harvey accompanied by two of his officers gave the monthly crime report.

Guest Speaker

Carrie Thornhill introduced Kerri Briggs, Superintendent for the Office of State Superintendent for Education for the District of Columbia. Ms. Briggs gave an overview of the policies, oversight, accountability and resources of OSSE. A Q&A session followed. Ms. Briggs noted that community support is needed and residents should direct comments and questions to the website at OSSE@DC.GOV.

Open Floor

Lionel Humphrey of Councilmember's Alexander's office announced that the single sales ban on cigars was introduced and passed the council.

Letitia Atkins, Outreach Specialist from the Mayor's office introduced herself to the membership. Residents can contact her office at 202.340.8248.

50/50 Pick - no drawing this week.

Meeting adjourned followed by the City Council Members Roundtable.

Respectfully submitted

Yvonne Dupree
Recording Secretary