

Northern Henrico Civic Association (NHCA)

Community Meeting

Tuesday, March 12, 2024, 6:30 p.m.

WELCOME/CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Dr. Delta Bowers. Attendees were welcomed to the meeting.

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

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES 01/23/2024: Copies of the minutes were distributed and read silently. *Motioned by Joyce Newsome to approve the minutes as received. Seconded by Kent Walker. Motion carried.*

TREASURER’S REPORT: Phillip Kirby, Treasurer, distributed and reviewed the report for the period ending February 29, 2024.

Beginning cash balance as of Fiscal Year June 1, 2023 **\$32,630.99**

| | ACTUAL | FISCAL YTD |
|------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Income | \$1,070.06 | \$19,955.27 |
| Less Expenses | \$2,744.98 | \$38,767.21 |
| Income over (under) expenses | (\$1,674.92) | (\$18,811.94) |

Cash Balance 02/29/2024 **\$13,819.05**

SECURITY: Officer Mike Pfister reported and addressed residents’ questions/concerns. Increased auto larceny in Three Fountain North area. Seven-eight (7-8) smash and grab incidents in one night and twenty-nine (29) over a 60-day period, particularly in autos parked on the street. Perpetrators are from out of the area. Five (5) vehicles were reported stolen. Officer Pfister asked residents to stay vigilant for themselves and neighbors. Resident shared she and neighbor experienced pried car door and smashed window. Officer Pfister reported that Kia and Hyundai are easy targets. He has clubs for these cars that help to deter theft.

Five firearm violations were reported – hearing gunshots or seeing gun casings. The sources have been undetermined.

Resident inquired how to address neighbor allowing dog to poop and not clean up. Report to Community Maintenance Officer.

COMMUNITY MAINTENANCE: President Bowers referred to property maintenance activities listed on the meeting agenda. She appealed to residents to adhere.

MARKETING: President Bowers stated that she will be sending annual letters to residents in April. The correspondence will include an appeal for NHCA membership.

BUILDING & GROUNDS: President Bowers reported that we should expect more green this year. Resident requested access to vendors used by NHCA and suggested posting on the website.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE: Carmen Daughterty, VP Membership, reported the following:

3 new since last meeting
194 total households paid
48 toward Capital Campaign
\$862 less than last year this time

COMMUNITY INITIATIVE: Resident Bill Schmidt reported the following: Correction to the entrance street to the Fall Line Trail noted in footnote to minutes. The bike bridge has been torn down. The regional Transportation Authority submitted project for funding crossing at Parham. See Greencityva.com for further reference.

Mr. Schmidt attended the Henrico County Community Safety Coalition meeting in February. Officer William Moffett is the Coalition coordinator. The objective of the Coalition is to facilitate communication and collaboration between individuals and organizations in Henrico County – public, private and non-profit- to identify and respond to community safety issues.

The February meeting's presentation was by John Casullo, HCPS Director of School Safety. A list of security measures that are in place or planned in the County School system was shared. School employees may enforce school codes while police officers act only on criminal issues. The office also has a threat assessment team and crisis response team.

The Coalition meets 3 or 4 times per year with presentations relevant to community safety. Past presentations have included: Services to Aid Recovery (STAR) team, homelessness, business crime and home security. Attendees' suggestions for future presentations included fraud, shopping center safety and Mr. Schmidt's bicyclist and pedestrian safety.

Mr. Schmidt was thanked for his report.

QUESTIONS & CONCERNS: *SWIMRVA status? Swimming pool will be heated a month earlier for use. Temporary speed bumps are deteriorating with metal pieces sticking up. When do they become permanent? Report to Public Works. Suggestion that NHCA get a defibrillator to keep onsite. When will Wilkinson reopen? Approximately another year. The road is being raised to avoid flooding. Resident concerned with door-to-door business solicitation. Purchase and installation of solar panel not effective. Discussion that trees may block sun to panels. Officer Pfister recommended posting "no solicitation" sign on private property. If violated, when reported, a warning is given first. A repeat violation, the offender is charged with trespassing.*

GOOD OF THE ORDER: Dr. Bowers acknowledged the passing of Mr. Newsome, husband of resident Mrs. Joyce Newsome. Expressions of condolences were shared.

Officer Pfister announced the Annual shredding event April 13, 2024, 10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. at Western Government Center, 4301 E. Parham Road. No plastic or metal; a separate section for electronics.

50/50 RAFFLE: \$33 cash was won by Kevin and Sharon Buckner.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Phyllis M. Washington, Secretary