

Minutes for June 8, 2011 AHCA Meeting

1. Call to order by President Mike Dowell.
2. Members present - 16
 - a. Pass around sign up sheet
3. Approve meeting minutes
 - a. Minutes we distributed for review.
4. Officer's reports.
 - a. Treasurer's Report (Brent) – no report
 - b. 1st VP (Nick) – Next meeting on the LRPC Pen Place project is tomorrow night (6/9); reported on the Sports Commission Task Force on Synthetic Fields meeting on 6/7 in which Virginia Highlands Field 2 was under consideration and he discussed the neighborhood's desire to maintain open space; the judges met today and selected a winner in the competition to install a \$300,000 art commission along the 1600 feet of fence between the Water Pollution Control Plant and Four Mile Run,
 - c. 2nd VP (Cory) – no report
 - d. Secretary (Jenny) – Web page status - no report
5. Committee reports.
 - a. NC / Sidewalks (Bruce, Chris): sidewalks progressing (missing link on 600 block of 21st Street almost complete, 19th Street well underway), PEG applications are due later in the summer but a letter of intent is due by the end of June. Motion carried authorizing the Executive Board to submit a letter of intent for a \$15,000 project, among the projects discussed were removing the invasive bamboo in Nellie Custis Park, a bioswale/path in Virginia Highlands Park from the synthetic field to the wash room, and a bike path on the Army Navy Country Club easement.
 - b. CCBID (Angie Fox): reported on the many CCBID summer activities, including yoga and movies on Mondays, the successful farmers' market on Tuesday, zumba Wednesdays, street hockey on Thursdays and wine in the water park on Fridays. She also mentioned at Air Force Cycling Classic this weekend as well as plans to redo the plaza at the Crystal City Metro and the southern gateway park.
 - c. Library / Community Center: Bill Gillen reported that the lobby modifications are going well, the chairs and accent carpet will be in soon. Mike reported that Passport to Summer kickoff is 22 June. There was also a long discussion about splitting the Boo Haa Haa into two events, a haunted house connected with Halloween and a fall festival with the outdoor activities in early October. Volunteers are needed for planning committees.
 - d. Seniors / Day care: Mike reported that MOU update process is underway and the County wants to sign for another year. He is also working with a local attorney to explore a 501(c) 3 designation.
 - e. C3RC: Benchmarks inputs submitted, can take more input for several more weeks.
6. Special orders -- Important business previously designated for consideration at this meeting.

- a. Presentation on Gardening with Native Plants for Wildlife by Jennifer Frum (neighbor Master Gardener and Master Naturalist) and Cory Giacobbe (neighbor Tree Steward)
7. Unfinished business.
 - a. None
8. New business.
 - a. PEG application motion passed, see above.
 - b. Passport to Summer: A motion passed to authorize expenditure of up to \$650 to support the 9 weeks of Passport to Summer activities this summer. Last year's net outlays were about \$148 AHCA+ \$500 unreimbursed from volunteers + \$300 ARCA = \$950 + donations. This year would like to get unreimbursed donations to zero.
 - c. Al Bert suggested looking for a way to display the air pollution monitoring data in the community center lobby. The idea got lots of interest and we'll look for a way to make it happen.
9. Calendar
 - See the newsletter
10. Announcements
 - a. Census update will be rescheduled – County has not received the neighborhood level data yet.
11. Motion to Adjourn at 9:00 p.m.