

## MINUTES OF THE FOREST HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING

<p><b>APRIL 14, 2011</b></p>	<p>Held at The Stone House at Forest Hill Park Forest Hill Avenue, Richmond, Virginia</p> <p>Minutes taken by Dorna Braswell, in the absence of Vicky Hamrick, Secretary</p>
<p><b>MINUTES</b></p>	<p>President Richard Day called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m.</p> <p>The March minutes had been posted to the website for review prior to the meeting. Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes. There was no discussion and approval passed by unanimous vote.</p> <p>Zac Sheldon, Treasurer, reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We have \$18K with bills outstanding. Still working out the tweaks about the Treasurer change with the bank which will hopefully happen next week.</li> <li>• Zac asked that we have 2 people who are able to sign FHNA checks. Zac and Richard agreed. It was noted the legalities and responsibilities this actions involves. Motion voted and approved.</li> </ul> <p>Additional business items embedded below.</p> <p>The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:15 p.m.</p>
<p><b>MEETING NOTES</b></p>	
<p>Membership</p>	<p>Sue Cline reported on how the density has changed in the neighborhood since the 1900s. In the 1960 the neighborhood was nearly built out and has only had a few additions. This information will soon be on the website.</p>
<p>4<sup>TH</sup> District Update</p>	<p>David Hathcock reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dunston Traffic report was sent out for all to see. Short version is mainly speeding west bound on Dunston from Roanoke to 41st. 85% averaged a speed of 31-32 mph with the occasional 40-50 mph in a 2 block span. Sector police have been made aware of the issue. If we want to get further into this issue we need to invite the Traffic Engineer to a meeting.</li> <li>• SOJ Market opens May 7th and will have a new look. The Market Umbrella has had agency help with its new look and style and all are very excited. They also have been given a 2 year grant to implement EBT Food Stamp credit cards that can be used in the market. If this goes through it will start in June.</li> <li>• Replacement on guard rails on Riverside. They are meeting in 2 weeks to agree on a more "park like" options.</li> <li>• Noise ordinance has come up again. The last one was tossed out and they have a new one that we will have to make sure we note the animal (parrots and dogs are included) along with other basic</li> </ul>

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	<p>noise related issues. Councilman Samuels is the head person on this so if you have any concerns please contact his office.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stormwater Budget is 66Mil for 5 years. They do have the new private residence credit option now so look in your utility bill and the flyer the city has sent out. Also on line at the City of Richmond site under Dept of Utilities.</li> </ul>
Social Committee	<p>Dorna Braswell reported that the bands are lined up and Posters will be going up soon for Music in the Park. Don't forget first one is May 22nd. Again we have a nice mixture of Blues, Brass, Reggae and all kinds for the folks this year.</p> <p>Also, she reminded all to start thinking about the June Yard Sale as it will be here before you know it!</p>
Park Improvement Committee (PIC)	<p>Robley Jones reported Banners and posters are going up and email blast will be done this coming week. They desperately need volunteers.</p>
Safety/Neighborhood Watch	<p>Officer Stacy Rogers asked for us to keep our sheds locked since it's that time again. Be aware of your surroundings and call 911. He also mentioned the pursuit that happened on Forest Hill ending at 41st - bad guy caught!</p>
Historic Designation	<p>Sue Cline reported that as it stands now they are slated to submit to DHR in June with response back by September. In their current plan the Brookside area has been included. They have been told that the apartments at Roanoke and Forest Hill visually disrupt the historical feel of the neighborhood.</p> <p>Richard Day did bullet points of plan options to meet the goal of the FHNA getting Historical Designation. Those points were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plan A - not include Brookside and the other area and hopefully get it passed from the information he was given by DHR.</li> <li>• Plan B - Stay on course with what they have done and put in the application with Brookside included since its part of the Forest Hill history. This work has already been done and they have to do some tweaks before June.</li> <li>• Plan C - Is to do Plan B and if not accepted then revert back to Plan A, but this could mean the whole thing will never pass but that information was also disputed, so it's an unknown.</li> </ul> <p>A motion was made to vote on the options and Plan B won for the submission in June. It was also stated that if this submission does not pass, that the "questionable" areas will be removed from the filing for the resubmission in September, which Sue Cline advised would be at no additional cost.</p>
Announcements/ New Business	<p>Dwight Wood from Brookside area spoke about how he believes their area was part of the Forest Hill neighborhood for 200+ years and prior to the founding of this civic organization in 1997 was dropped from the</p>

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charter of the area. They would like to be included into the Forest Hill neighborhood in hopes of being part of the association again and also part of the Historical Designation for Forest Hill. Maps to back up his claim were shown.

Robley Jones stated that since this is a change to the by-laws, it must be first be discussed by Executive Committee at a special meeting. If changes to by-laws are approved, it will then be presented to general membership at another meeting TBD.

Caroline Paulette made a request for funds on behalf of Friends of Forest Hill Park and Patrick Henry School for \$500.00. This lead into the discussion about the Association's Funds Request Form. Motion to approve Funds Request Form was made and passed. Process was established that once Funds Request Form is submitted at a meeting, it will be discussed at the following meeting.

Funds Request Form from Friends of Forest Hill Park was given to Zac Sheldon, Treasurer.