

MINUTES OF THE FOREST HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING

NOVEMBER 11, 2009	<p>Held at Forest Hill Presbyterian Church 4401 Forest Hill Avenue, Richmond, Virginia</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Minutes taken by FHNA Secretary Vicky Hamrick</p>
MINUTES	<p>In President Grace LeRose's absence, board member Robley Jones called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.</p> <p>The October 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 was passed by unanimous vote.</p> <p>Roger Clark offered the Treasurer's Report which was received and there was a reported cash balance of \$18,918, with the caveat that there are several outstanding expenses to be paid.</p> <p>Ongoing business: Joy Glass gave a presentation on the status of the application for historic designation for the Forest Hill area. Motion to approve moving forward with the application was made and seconded; in discussion, she then advised that the cost was anticipated to be between \$5,500 and \$6,000 and requested \$2,500 from the association in 2009 and another \$2,500 in 2010. She also advised that fundraising efforts would cover any additional costs. Further discussion ensued and a motion to table approval of application and funds request failed, as did a motion to approve the \$2,500 for 2009 but defer the \$2,500 for 2010 to a subsequent vote. The motion to approve moving forward with the application and allocating \$2,500 in 2009 and \$2,500 in 2010 passed, with several voting against. However, the \$2,500 in 2010 must be preceded by the association's receipt of progress report and a positive assessment of that progress by the FHNA Board.</p> <p>New business: Tom Flynn, City of Richmond traffic engineer, presented two proposals for which the city has received federal safety grants to make changes to two intersections in the neighborhood. The first proposal concerns a "residential circle" at 47th Street and Reedy Street. The second proposal is for a "modern roundabout" at Forest Hill Avenue and Roanoke Street. After much discussion, motion was made by Roger Clark to oppose the Forest Hill/Roanoke Street proposal. Motion was seconded and nearly unanimously carried.</p> <p>Next, nominations for the 2010 association officers were taken: Grace LeRose, President; Peter Hubbel, Vice President; Roger Clark, Treasurer; and Vicky Hamrick, Secretary. Motion was made to approve the slate as nominated; motion carried.</p> <p>The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.</p>
MEETING NOTES	
4 TH District Update	No report.

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Park Improvement Committee (PIC)	Robley Jones announced a contest to submit designs for the Forest Hill Yacht Club logo.
Social Committee	Jackie Jones reported on behalf of Dorna Braswell that the December social was set for December 9 at the 43 rd Street Gallery.
Membership Report	Vicky Hamrick reported that membership was up to 183, plus 5 that had signed up at the meeting.
Neighborhood Watch Committee	Shannon Taylor reported that neighbors near the bus stops on Forest Hill were being solicited for bus fare. Officer Christina Bencalo, RPD, was present and reminded attendees to lock their car doors and not to leave valuables in their cars, and provided other crime statistics.
Historic Designation	See above
Announcements	None