MINUTES OF THE FOREST HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASOCIATION MEETING October 20, 2015 Held at the Forest Hill Presbyterian Church 4401 Forest Hill Avenue, Richmond, Virginia

Minutes taken by Robley Jones



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"... the minutes should contain mainly a record of what was done at the meeting, not what was said by the members."

p. 468, Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, 11th Edition Vice President Whit Clements called the meeting to order at 7:01PM

Kathy Grazianos' Liaison, Tim Grimes, provided a 4th District update, indicating that Forest Hill Avenue will be repaved by the end of November. Grimes noted that the South of the James Market will shift to winter hours on December 1, opening at 9 a.m. The city's revenue restraints have led to scheduling only one leaf collection this fiscal year in January. The 2015 UCI Road World Championship bike race attendance exceeded all expectations, and council awaits reports of the economic impact of the event.

Ramon Puzon presented the treasurers report, noting a \$17,102.56 balance on hand.

Wearing his membership chairman hat, Whit Clement reported that membership rolls have been updated. There are 121 households in membership, including 41 new members. Twenty-five percent of members use the web site to renew.

Clement praised the work of the sign committee. The Urban Design Committee has approved the Forest Hill signs, which will be placed in two locations on Forest Hill Avenue marking the east the west boundaries of your neighborhood. The Department of Parks and Recreation has approved the placement of the sign for the eastern border in the park. Carolyn Paulette's work on this project has included negotiating with the manufacturer to reduce the cost of the signs to \$1,400, well below budget. There are ongoing discussions with the city regarding required insurance for the signs.

Elections of FHNA officers and board members will take place at the November meeting. Please consider stepping up to serve our association.

A host of Department of Public Utilities personnel and consultants, led by Todd Ro Hopkins, P.E., Engineer III, provided a presentation regarding the proposed Reedy Creek Stream Restoration.

Whit Clement reviewed efforts being made by the Richmond Police Department to improve communication with the department and to reduce crime. Most notably, he explained a new program to provide a policeman dedicated to serving our area who will walk four sections, including Forest Hill, on a rotating basis. Clement also suggested that members check out the South of the James Neighborhood Watch page on FaceBook.

Vice President Clements adjourned the meeting at 8:03 PM