

Fairfield Civic League Minutes

11 May 2015

President, Matt Maxwell, opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with approximately 30 residents/visitors present. After the Pledge of Allegiance Matt introduced guest speakers. State Senator Frank Wagner's assistant stood in for the Senator.

Residents posed questions about light rail, tolls on Virginia Interstate highways, increase in waste/storm water bills, a move to bring back property taxes on vehicles and several other questions that Senator Wagner's aide could not answer for the Senator. He is taking our concerns back to Senator Wagner and possibly the Senator will answer them in June or in the Fall prior to the election.

The treasurer's reported that our balance is \$1,384. Given that balance, we can pay our annual liability insurance and print a newsletter. Volunteers said they would distribute the newsletter, to save on mailing cost. If anyone else would like to help or knows of a group that could help, i.e. boy scouts, please let the Civic League leadership know.

The traffic committee reported that a series of meetings is being scheduled with the City Engineers to evaluate solutions to the remaining traffic problems in Fairfield. The intersection should be complete by the end of June 2015. When it is done, a traffic count will be conducted in Fairfield to assess the effectiveness of the intersection in reducing cut-through traffic. If the traffic is no better than we began in 1998, we need innovative solutions from the traffic engineers. All of the solutions the civic league has proposed that been rejected for various reason. So, we want the professionals to present solutions to the residents. We believe that residents have a right to control what happens in their neighborhood. City Treasurer appears to agree with us on this issue:

Other business items: Kathy Donovan will no longer serve as Secretary. She is training to be a Volunteer EMT, way to go Kathy! Both Kathy and her husband Jim have been long time Civic League members, Neighborhood Watch Coordinators, Newsletter editor and all around great neighbors. As a result of Kathy's departure, we need a volunteer to serve as secretary.

This Sunday afternoon there will be a "Pot Luck in the Park" starting at 3PM. This is a great way to meet your neighbors. Information has been distributed in separate correspondence through Next Door Dot Com www.nextdoor.com and facebook. A reminder: American Flags will be posting for Memorial Day Weekend. This is a patriotic tradition in our neighborhood and it always looks so good. Sean McGinty will send out an e-mail to the flag committee members. If you would like to be a part of the flag program please contact Sean at: msmcgint@sentara.com

The drainage at the North end of Fairfield is still a problem. Other areas in Fairfield have improvements to the drain creeks and ditches. The residents in the north east part of Fairfield need our support. Any ideas on how we can make this an issue with

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the City are appreciated. We have taken it to our Council representative, but no progress on the issue.

A question was asked about the "eagles nest" near Singleton Way. No answers yet on what the City or developer will do.

One last item, elections are scheduled for next month, June 2015. If you would be interested in serving the neighbor on the Board of Directors please contact Doug McLiverty at doug.mcliverty@gmail.com

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

