

LeDroit Park Civic Association

Meeting Minutes for the Meeting on Tuesday, January 25, 2011

at the Florida Avenue Baptist Church, 623 Florida Avenue NW

Call to order at 7:00 pm

1. **Introduction of officers and all of the meeting's attendees.**
2. **Presentation by the new owner of Cookie's Corner.**
 - a. The owner announced his intention to change the store format and to hold outdoor events.
 - b. The owner suggested that he may request to change the store's liquor license.
3. **Presentation on the Common Good City Farm by Mr. Kenan Dunson.**
4. **Presentation by the owner of Red Toque restaurant.**
 - a. The owner said he had planned the restaurant for two years.
 - b. The owner stated that the restaurant has 20 seats.
5. **Presentation on street trees by Mr. Anthony Jones, Urban Forestry Administration.**
 - a. Mr. Jones described the Canopy Keepers program, in which volunteers watered street trees each week for two years.
 - b. Mr. Jones distributed a list of young trees that need care.
 - c. In response to a question about a particular tree at 4th and T Streets, Mr. Jones stated that trees must be ordered months in advance before they are planted.
6. **Presentation on public safety by Officer Garrett Higgins of MPD and by Ms. Jana Baldwin.**
 - a. Ms. Baldwin described what a neighborhood watch is.
 - b. Ms. Baldwin suggested that neighbors ride along with an officer for a few hours.
 - c. Ms. Baldwin instructed neighbors to contact Lt. Alberto Jova about recurring crime issues in the neighborhood. His email address is alberto.jova@dc.gov.
 - d. Ms. Baldwin distributed surveys that asked residents about crime and their perception of crime in the neighborhood.
 - e. Ms. Baldwin distributed inventory sheets for residents to collect and store the brand names, model numbers and serial numbers of the valuables in their homes.
 - f. Off. Higgins suggested leaving the lights on in the house at night.
 - g. Ms. Baldwin suggested residents install outdoor lights that stay on dusk-to-dawn.
 - h. Off. Higgins urged residents to join the various public safety listservs. He also distributed his email address, garrett.higgins@dc.gov, and his cell phone number, (443) 691 5277.
 - i. Off. Higgins urged residents to wash off the residue left on car windshields by GPS suction cups, as such residue encourages break-ins.
 - j. Off. Higgins urged residents to remain aware of their surroundings while walking through the neighborhood at night.
7. **Reading of the previous meeting's minutes by Mr. Eric Fidler, Secretary**
 - a. Ms. Maria Fyodorova moved to approve the minutes, Mr. Kenan Dunson seconded.
 - b. The minutes were approved unanimously.
8. **Update on the park name by Mr. Richard Myers, President**
9. **Treasurer Donna Morris announced that the Association had \$3362.06 in the bank and she reiterated the membership dues.**
10. **Meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.**

This memorandum represents our understanding of the events which transpired and the actions which were taken. If they do not conform to a recipient's understand, prompt written notice must be communicated to the writer. If no corrections or objections are made, this memorandum will be relied upon as a factual interpretation of this meeting.

Submitted on Tuesday, February 22, 2010, by Mr. Eric Fidler, the secretary of the LeDroit Park Civic Association