

LeDroit Park Civic Association

Meeting Minutes for the Meeting on Tuesday, May 24, 2011

at the Florida Avenue Baptist Church, 623 Florida Avenue NW

Call to order at 7:12 pm

1. **Reading and approval of the previous meeting's minutes.**
2. **Treasurer's report by Mrs. Donna Morris, Treasurer.** The association has \$3,421.82 in its account.
3. **Civic Association annual elections**, introduced by the nomination committee's head, Mrs. Dina Lewis.
 - a. Mrs. Lewis asked for nominations from the floor.
 - b. Mrs. Donna Morris nominated Mr. Jeff Herron for the position of vice president. Mr. Herron responded that he would rather not run.
 - c. Mr. Marc Morgan, candidate for president, gave his speech.
 - d. Mr. Richard Myers, candidate for president, gave his speech.
 - e. Ms. Maria Fyodorova, candidate for vice president, gave her speech.
 - f. Mr. Jeff Herron, candidate for vice president, gave his speech.
 - g. Mr. Eric Fidler, candidate for secretary, gave his speech.
 - h. Mrs. Donna Morris, candidate for treasurer, gave her speech.
 - i. Mr. Myers moved that the nominations be closed on the six aforementioned names. The motion passed unanimously.
 - j. Mrs. Lewis and Mr. David Gelles collected and counted the ballots.
4. **Announcement on Robin's Nest Creations**, a new business at 809 Florida Avenue NW.
5. **Remarks by Councilmember Jim Graham.**
 - a. Mr. Graham thanked Mr. Myers for his service and wished Mr. Morgan the best.
 - b. Mr. Graham praised the civic association.
 - c. Mr. Graham suggested that residents keep an open mind about enclosing the park with a fence; he acknowledged it was a controversial measure.
 - d. Mr. Graham relayed his disappointment with the Housing Authority's neglect of the Kelly Miller housing.
 - e. Mr. Graham urged the association to adopt a resolution requesting the Housing Authority speed the repair of the Kelly Miller.
6. **Ms. Myla Moss announced a forthcoming job fair for Progression Place.**
7. **Presentation by Pepco regarding the forthcoming installation of smart meters in LeDroit Park.**
 - a. Ms. Moss relayed her disappointment with the company's reliability of late.
 - b. The company representatives explained their five-year plan.
8. **Mrs. Lewis announced the election winners:**
 - a. Mr. Morgan, president;
 - b. Ms. Fyodorova, vice president;
 - c. Mrs. Morris, treasurer; and
 - d. Mr. Fidler, secretary.
 - e. Mr. Fidler moved to accept the results. Mr. Gelles seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
9. **A builder requested support for a curb cut on the east side of 5th Street between Elm Street and Oakdale Place.**
 - a. The building explained that he intended to keep the street tree.
 - b. A member moved to support the curb cut. The motion passed with 8 votes in support and 6 votes in opposition.
10. **A resident moved that the association send the DC Housing Authority a letter demanding that they remedy the deplorable state of their Kelly Miller buildings.** The motion passed unanimously.
11. **Mr. Eric Fidler, chair of the Historic Preservation Committee, reported on the proposed addition and renovations to 1922 Third Street.**

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12. Public safety report by Officer Garrett Higgins, MPD

- a. Officer Higgins requested that residents call the police upon witnessing any disorderly conduct.
- b. Officer Higgins reiterated that the best number to call is 911.
- c. Officer Higgins reminded neighbors that the park is closed and that nobody should be in the park until it opens.
- d. Ms. Jana Baldwin recommended that residents file complaints officially through 911 so that there will be a record of any problems.

13. Park Update by Mr. Jeff Herron.

- a. Mr. Herron said that there are three items left to complete before the park can open:
 - i. fixing a drainage problem on some of the paths in the park;
 - ii. finalizing the dog park memorandum of understanding; and
 - iii. installing the exercise equipment.
- b. Mr. Herron said there would be a walk-through on Thursday morning.
- c. Mr. Herron said the official opening party would be held after the park opens.

14. Mrs. Allison Rapp thanked Mr. Myers for his service as president.

15. Mr. James Pittman announced the centennial celebration of the Florida Avenue Baptist Church.

16. Meeting adjourned at 8:44 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, June 28, 2011, by Mr. Eric Fidler, the secretary of the LeDroit Park Civic Association