

The August meeting of the Northampton Civic League (NHCL) was called to order at 7:13 pm by Selvin Walker, NHCL President. Four people were initially in attendance.

The meeting opened with a pledge to the flag.

President Walker noted that we did not yet have a quorum, although at least one member was expected later. So formal business of the league was delayed until later in the meeting.

Information and Discussion:

Matt Asay, NHCL Secretary noted the receipt of an invitation to participate in an Arbor Day tree planting at Bluebird Gap Farm on October 3. The group discussed the possibility of NHCL members participating as a team. President Walker requested that the announcement be forwarded to him for consideration. We discussed getting league T-shirts to help identify our members. Selvin said that he would investigate prices. Matt offered to find out the name of the vendor the Hampton Neighborhood College Alumni used to produce the polo shirts they ordered.

There were no new developments regarding the proposed 3-story storage facility. Treasurer Samara Walker indicated she still has plans to inventory the amount of storage space currently available in the area.

Samara also noted that August is National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM) and talked about the importance of maintaining current immunizations. She indicated that she had additional information she would forward to Matt for distribution the league members.

The statewide Neighborhood Conference is coming up soon on September 18-20. The cost to register is \$65 if you do it before August 29. It will be at Tyson's Corner in McLean, Virginia.

Flo Randall noted that she had observed an additional cleanup of Newmarket Creek. President Walker noted that the City Council seemed to be working to make sure that the upcoming storm season didn't present the same kinds of problems we had witnessed in past years.

President Walker noted an invitation to the league to attend a Litter Sign ceremony at Kraft school that was part of the Hampton Parks and Recreation "Summer Adventure" program for Kids. This program is being facilitated by Alternatives, Incorporated. They have requested an RSVP by August 8. Matt Asay volunteered to attend. Selvin will forward the material to him.

The Hampton Health Department is soliciting volunteers from the NHCL to participate in a feedback group on department plans and activities. These focus group sessions will be held in late August and September.

Selvin also reported on an issue recently brought to our attention by the Hampton Neighborhood Office. There have been some recent break-ins in Northampton Village (over on Orcut near the 7-11 and Tucker Caps school). The office is seeking Northampton Civic League

and Farmington Civic Association regarding the prospect of providing neighborhood assistance. We discussed the possibility of setting up a meeting for area residents with our groups and members of the Police Department. Selvin will follow up with Jonathan McBride and find out what he has in mind. Matt also offered to look for the email address of a woman in the area who had been active in Tucker Caps activities and might be able to assist the effort.

Another member noted that Neighborhood Night Out, a night designated for neighbors across the country to “take back” their neighborhoods, was coming up soon.

League Activities:

President Walker noted that, with arrivals during the meeting, we had the quorum we needed to conduct our official business.

Matt Asay, NHCL Secretary presented the minutes from the July meeting,. The minutes were approved with no corrections.

Samara Walker, NHCL Treasurer provided a summary of the League finances. With the deposit of \$20.00 in dues, the new ending balance was \$418.23. The report was unanimously approved.

Other Officer Matters: None

Matters by the Public: None.

Membership: There was one rejoining member, Fran Doyle, and no renewals.

Adjournment: President Walker adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm. The next meeting will be on September 2, 2008.

Action Items:

- Matt Asay to send the July minutes to Darryl Krauch for our web site.
- Samara Walker to provide information on National Immunization Awareness Month for league members.
- Samara Walker to investigate the current level of storage availability in the Northampton area.
- Matt Asay to RSVP with information provided by Selvin Walker and attend the Kraft Litter Sign ceremony.
- Selvin Walker to follow up with the Neighborhood office about NHCL participation in a community group building meeting for Northampton Village.
- Matt Asay to provide contact information to Selvin on the woman who was active in Tucker Caps activities.

Matt Asay

NHCL Secretary

As amended and approved at the September 2, 2008 meeting.

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