

The September meeting of the Northampton Civic League (NHCL) was called to order at 7:00 pm by Selvin Walker, NHCL President. Six members were in attendance.

The meeting opened with a pledge to the flag.

President Walker welcomed everyone and reminded them to “slow down for schools” now that the new school year had started.

League Business:

Matt Asay, NHCL Secretary summarized the minutes from the August meeting. The minutes were approved unanimously after one correction.

NHCL Treasurer Samara Walker presented a statement of the league’s finances. After a deposit of \$10.00 in dues our new balance was 428.23. The report was approved unanimously by the members.

Information and Discussion:

Member Chris Hosman presented information about a day care center being planned by his Church, the Northampton Church of Christ on Todds Lane. There will be a community meeting at the church on September 11th at 6:30 pm. The Conditional Use application will then go to the Planning Commission and the City Council. The day care center will be not for profit and will be open to all members of the community as a church outreach effort.

Mr. Hosman took questions from the membership and promised to get back on a couple of points he was unsure about (the number of children and the proposed hours of operation). President Walker noted that we would probably take a league vote on the issue at our October meeting.

Mr. Hosman also noted that he had attended an emergency preparedness meeting earlier in the day where the possible effect of Tropical Storm Hannah on Bay Days was discussed. The situation will be reevaluated on Thursday as the storm gets closer. He also provided information about upcoming CERT classes starting on October 7th and two upcoming CERT exercises on September 27th and October 11th.

Matt Asay reported on the recent Litter Sign Ceremony held at Kraft School. His presentation included a number of pictures from the event. Copies of the pictures have been provided to Alternatives and the Clean City Commission. He agreed to check with Alternatives to see if there would be any issue with posting a few of the pictures to our web site.

Members provided brief updates on the Action Items from the previous meeting.

Selvin provided an update on the Hampton Village issue discussed at the last meeting. The area has a neighborhood watch, but no further organizing activities are underway at this time.

Members discussed a card and flowers sent on behalf of the league to Wendell Midkiff. The plant purchased came to \$48.29 including delivery. The members voted to accept donations to defray the cost and use league funds to cover the rest of the reimbursal. A total of \$16.02 was collected at the meeting, but members can make additional donations to the Treasurer.

We discussed cost estimates for purchasing NHCL T-shirts to wear at league events. Selvin had a vendor who quoted \$14.00/each with a silkscreened logo (to be provided in JPEG format). The cost would be slightly less if we purchased 20 or more shirts. The group decided on tans shirts with with a blue & green logo. Selvin hoped to have a sample of the shirt and the logo at the next meeting.

The members discussed the Christmas Pot Luck held last year and expressed interest in holding another one this year. The plans will be discussed in more detail at the next meeting. The president asked Flo Randall to again coordinate the event.

Other Officer Matters: None

Matters by the Public: None.

Membership: There were two renewals (Jon McBride and Flo Randall) and no new members.

Adjournment: President Walker adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm. The next meeting will be on October 7, 2008.

Action Items:

- Matt Asay to send the August minutes to Darryl Krauch for our web site.
- Matt Asay to ask Alternatives about using pictures of the Kraft Litter Sign ceremony on our web site.
- Selvin Walker to bring a sample shirt and logo to the next meeting for review by the members.
- Flo Randall to initiate planning for a Christmas Pot Luck

Matt Asay
NHCL Secretary

As amended and approved at the December 3, 2008 meeting.
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