



Minutes

April 9, 2024

President Shirley Leonard called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M. The meeting was opened with a prayer by Mr. Joseph Charles. The March 12, 2024, minutes were read by Ms. D. Bailey. There were no corrections. With a motion by Ms. Scurlock and seconded by Ms. Spates, the minutes were approved.

Ms. M. Spates presented the March 2024 treasurer's report. The Registry balance trend was decreased by -6.74% from March 2023. The treasurer's report was approved, after a motion by Mr. Joseph and seconded by Ms. Scurlock.

Guests/ New Members

There were none.

Old Business

Annual Fish Fry. Mr. Wright was not present to provide an update on the fish fry.

Neighborhood Signage: It was noted that the neighborhood entrance signs need attention. May need repainting. Mr. Castex agreed to see if he and Mr. Davenport would look at the current signs to determine what can be done.

50 Year Civic Club Boat Tour – Ms. Leonard reported that the Port of Houston boat ride date has been set for April 13, 2024. Ms. Scurlock noted that she may have some historical documents that may be of interest that can be shared during the tour.

Civic Club Tax Exempt Status- Ms. Spates reported that the Federal Tax Exempt and the State Franchise returns have been filed.

New Construction on Woodmont: The architectural designs were reviewed by Mr. Taylor. He did not note any concern with what has been presented. Mr. Taylor has not had an opportunity to get in touch with Mr. A. Ray as of today's meeting. The Civic Club agreed with Ms. Leonard, sending a communication to the David Weekly representative stating that the Civic Club has no objections to the architectural plans that were submitted. Ms. Scurlock listed the members of the architectural design committee as Mr. Colbert, Mr. Horn, Mr. Wright, Mr. Ray, Mr. Taylor, and Mr. Truesdale.



Loose dogs in the neighborhood- A concern for unleashed dogs in the neighborhood was discussed. Suggestions included:

-newsletter article regarding ordinances or resources such as when to call 311 or BARC for concerns

- written communication to dog owners on any violations and concerns for neighborhood safety if owners are identified

D. Bailey shared info on websites such as BARC for guidance on how to handle issues of concern.

New Business:

Issues from the Floor/ Announcements:

S. Leonard reminded the group that the May Civic Club Meeting and all other meetings for 2024 will be held at the HPD Substation. A meeting room request communication and acknowledgement form was received from the Substation stating that no food or beverages can be brought into the meeting room. Only bottled water. This means that we will need to find another location for our December Meeting to have food at the meeting.

A flyer was shared that announced a Senior Prom (Celebration of Older Americans) event on May 7th from 5:00 PM -7:00 PM held at the Multiservice Center and sponsored by Vinson Library.

Mr. Taylor asked about unauthorized parking at the end streets of Buxley and at Brookston.

Ms. Bey volunteered to check for no parking signs and barriers are in place at the 2 locations.

Action Items:

Pending discussions:

- (1) The neighborhood entrances signs- Mr. Castex will work on this and seek the assistance of Mr. Davenport
- (2) Unleashed dogs in the neighborhood: Suggested actions for wandering dogs /dogs without leashes in the neighborhood.
- (3) Barricades/Signs denoting no parking- at Brookston and at Buxley - Ms. Bey

Adjournment. A motion was made by Mr. Charles and seconded by Ms. Bey for the meeting to be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 8: 15 P.M.

Attendees: Danielle Bailey, Dorothy Bey, Joseph Charles, Earline Castex, Roland Castex, Shirley Leonard, Al Norris, Jr., Aaron Ray, Linda Scurlock, Betty Stevenson, Mary Spates, Elgin Taylor, Nina Taylor, Mae Truesdale, Miles Richardson, and Portia Truesdale.

Minutes recorded by Shirley Leonard