

Cordesville Community Citizens

Called business meeting

December 19, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 6 pm and opened in prayer by President Melanie Lott.

The purpose of the meeting was to announce that Berkeley County was going to build a metal 25 x 40 building at the fire station for us to use as a community center. It will be county owned but we will be able to assist in the design plans. A benefit is that we will not be paying upkeep costs, i.e., utilities. Having the building will allow us to expand programs beyond those currently offered with one of the foremost being telehealth appointments for local citizens. The church has generously allowed use of the building but some programs cannot be implemented due to being a religious facility.

The county is going to upgrade the fire department, and we will share the building with them for training purposes. The county will help with grant writing opportunities.

This building will not be a shelter.

There are two other groups wanting funds for a community center—we will be working to build relationships with them rather than working at cross purposes and wanting to duplicate programs.

As we grow and use the building, we can add bathrooms and a kitchen but will explore utilizing those in the fire station until building our own.

It was reported that the Christmas parade was a success and the largest so far. There was only one complaint, and it has been addressed with assurance there will be no repeat concerns.

The Christmas party was also a success with raves for the food (brisket), fun, venue, and attendance.

The meeting was closed in prayer by Melanie at 6:15 p.m. with Christmas wishes and blessings.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Turner, Secretary

Attendance::Herbert Lloyd, Samuel Gibbs, Frank McKnight, Linda McKnight, Beverly Villeponteaux, Jannette White, Leola and Oscar Johnson, Tracey and Melinda Manuel, Brian and Ruth Fry, Charlie Lott, CJ Lott, Helen Williams, Jim and Johnna Legendre