

# BCI CIVIC MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 7, 2015

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Alliance. The meeting was then called to order at 7:45 by President Enos. The minutes for September were read with motion to accept by Mr. Wheatley with correction of 150 cars weather permitting for the car show. June's minutes were read with corrections of 24 vacant houses not 44. The basketball issue on Kenmar Dr. is a traffic problem which is a State issue for Del Dot not NCC's. The date on the minutes were for 2015 not 2005. Motion to accept the minutes with the corrections were made by Mr. Wheatley and second by Mr. Dash.

Ms. Diller reported the last documents were filed on 37 Carsile to go to sheriff sale in Nov. Question was raised what happens if no one buy it. She passed out her news letter with safety tips for Halloween. We have 66 code violations mostly vacant homes, high grass & weeds. The crime report was 1 accident, 1 assault, 1 check on welfare home, 5 domestic disputes, 1 pedestrian stop with arrest, 1 suicide with report written, 1 suspicious vehicle, 2 harassments. From the tac unit 1 citation, 1 theft from vehicle, 21 vehicle stops with 11 citations 8 warnings & 2 arrests.

Resident reported an alarm beeping in the vacant house at 8 Chauser. Ms. Diller will have Co. Code check it out.

Mr. O. reported a Pancake breakfast on Sat. at the UAW Hall and a flea market. The proceeds will benefit the community cupboard. Pending items are to get the paper work sent into Del-Dot for this winter's snow reimbursement. He attended a meeting with Whispering Pines Community and addressed the problem of trash overflowing from the back yard onto Old Newark Rd. He will follow up on the trimming on Old Newark Rd. & at the basketball ct. on Kenmar Dr.

Open to new items, a resident ask about needing stop signs in C section. He explained that if there were no previous signs they won't put a new one, but they would replace missing ones. They don't use them as speed control. Another resident wanted to know about the construction of the bridge over Cool Run Creek. Do to low funding it was pushed back but should start next summer and finish in Nov. 2016. Also a question was asked about the survey on the land over the bridge where the pond is located. The survey was done on this retention pond. It belongs to the City of Newark and they put a notch in the weir to control the flow of water. Also how was the new development coming along? The Fountainview Community is about completed.

Mr. Wheatly had an e-mail from the Ombudsman Dept. of the Attorney General's Office for the opportunity to attend a Board Leadership Workshop for thirty-five dollars at the Sheraton Inn. He spoke very highly of this workshop which covered home owners, community association's functions, managing contracts, common grounds, budgeting, working with municipalities, community leadership, etc. He generously offered to pay the \$35.00 fee himself and send two board members to the next class they offer. He also spoke on how difficult it is to get volunteers in this community with 1339 homes. It seems like it always the same few doing the volunteering. We have over 3000 residents in the first and largest community in New Castle Co. Two hours a person would stand out for a community to be well recognized that they take pride in their community. He also thanked Mr. Dash and his crew for a job well done on clearing out the over grown brush behind Keller.

Vic announced that we probably won't be doing a Public Safety Day next year unless we have more support or a merge with other communities. The Santa Tour & Party will go on as scheduled this year but we may need to drop the party next year. Gale did a great job with the Car Show it brought in about \$350. It didn't cost Brookside anything. Mr. Dash won a trophy for his car. We will be doing the Best Decorated House this Christmas. The Easter Egg Hunt is planned and the spring and fall Flea Market is planned. The Flea Market for this month is the 17<sup>th</sup>.

Question was asked about the basketball court on rt.72 & Kenmar Dr. being started up. Yes after the bushes get cut down & the camera are installed. Mr. Wheatly suggested a 10' fence with a locked gate with the parents having the combination to unlock. The gate would be locked at dusk. The police would have access to the cameras and if anyone sees a problem call 911.

New business, what is the status of the play equipment at the orphanage? It's not in good working condition we do not want them. The benches at the orphanage look good, Vic will call father Nash to contact the sister about acquiring them. The question was asked about the residents sidewalks being replaced. It is the homeowner's responsibility to repair and replace the sidewalk. County code can write a fine for damaged sidewalks.

Mr. Wheatly made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully,

Barbra Smith