

CIVIC MEETING MINUTES  
March 9, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Enos. The minutes were read with a motion to approve as read made by Mr. Dash, second and all approved.

Brian Townsend informed us there's nothing new yet due to them not being in session till next Tuesday. He is waiting to see the Governors proposed budget. He spoke about the State & County trying to raise money to purchase the orphanage property. The sisters are still insisting on building 60 apartments on the existing orphanage plot. They intend on occupying at least one apartment to maintain a physical presence in the area. The county has worked through the traffic and drainage issues and DenRec would like to protect the environment by making the area a community park.

Ed Osienski informed us that the bug infested PP&L Pole was replaced at 84 Kenmar Dr. The cars for sale at the park and ride were tagged and cleared by the police. The Old Newark Rd project will be putting signs up to start the utility work on the 21st. It's supposed to take 124 days until the work is completed. Ed's been working with the police on the ATV problem. The police have already put out a reverse 911 message to call 911 if you see any. Give a description, and location of the ATV this is to help eliminate this problem. April 8th the Senior Center is having a fundraiser. He has been in contact with Frank Pyle Director of the Dept. of Insurance about the power surge. They have had 150 claims submitted between RobScott and Brookside. The tree company used a fraudulent insurance certificate which is a felony. Now they are looking into a rider from the apartments.

Ms.Diller reported 9 code violations and 34 vacant homes which is up from last month. The police report was 4 accidents, 2 burglaries, 2 death investigations, 8 domestic disputes, 2 drug investigations with 1 arrest, 2 fugitives, 1 gun violation, 1 stolen tag, 1 transport of a mental health person, 1 offensive touching, 5 pedestrian stops with 3 arrest, 1 gun arrest, 1 sex offense, 2 subpoena arrest, 9 vehicle thefts with 7 reports written, 33 vehicle stops with 14 citations, 16 warnings, 1 arrest on a warrant. Her department is also working with the police on the ATV problem. She also suggested calling the police if they are in the development or on the power lines. Police can talk to the owners. This starts the documentation for a disorderly premise.

Vic introduced Joe Richmond a former Harlem Globe Trotter.. He goes from N.Y. to Baltimore has a Community Outreach Ambassador, a nonprofit group sponsored by the 87er's and Nemours. He's been doing this for 10-12 years. He explained his program and how he would like to create a basketball league here in Brookside and the surrounding communities at no cost to the communities. Ms. Diller offered assistance on the program if needed. She pointed out the need for publicity to get things started. Joe is looking forward to getting started & the kids engaged.

Shelly a representative from GMBL Baseball informed us opening day will be April 1st. She plans on attending each civic meeting to help with communications between the community and the league.

New business: The meeting with the Dunkin Donuts committee will be held March 13th. They have started demolishing the old Toyota building for the 5 story high rise Marriott hotel.

There was a lengthy discussion with members of the Lions Club about what they do and have done in the community. Also about what they haven't done with the activities. Both boards agreed to meet to discuss this issue. Ms. Diller will check with the Recorder of Deeds for information on Brookside and the maintenance building which the Lions Club occupies part of.

A resident asked how did Mr. Diller's office know when a house was vacant? She explained basically when the code inspector informs her.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10.

Respectfully,

Barbara Smith