

BBHCA Draft Meeting Minutes—Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2005

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm. September 20 meeting minutes approved.

- Budget – running in a deficit
- Income: \$222 November dues
\$250 ads
\$254 donations
- Costs: \$236 postage
\$10 misc.

The above does not include the submittal of the newsletter printing.

- Newsletter – December 2 is the next deadline for text, ad copy.
- Membership – currently stands at 160 members

• A question was asked by a member what the balance is in the Association's bank account. The account has \$17,303 in reserves. Another question was asked by the same member if we can use some of that money to pay for the printing of all 5 issues of our newsletter instead of 4. Because of our funding shortfalls, the Association cut out the March issue.) It costs approximately \$900 to print each newsletter.

A motion was made by the same member to take money out of our reserves to cover the newsletter that is scheduled to be cut (March). It was unanimously accepted to take out money from our reserves to cover the newsletter this year. We will

publish all five newsletters.

- Bylaws – A proposal to amend the bylaws was announced in the last newsletter with regard to changing the bylaw so that we can readjust our membership/finances. It is very difficult to make changes as the current bylaws read.

Proposed changes:

Article 1, Section 2 – dues/voting – dues adjusted once a year at annual meeting

Article 6, Section 3 – finance/auditing – budget committee shall present audit report at annual meeting as part of Treasurer's annual report

Motion made to change bylaws in Article 1, Section 2 to proposed text in the November issue of BBHCA newsletter. Approved by unanimous consent.

Motion made to change Article 6, Section 3 to proposed text as printed in the November BBHCA newsletter. Approved by unanimous consent.

Effective date is immediate but we can't act on it until May which is our annual meeting.

New Business.

Old Rolling Road traffic calming efforts going on for 2 years. Residents will hold a meeting on December 1 with Fairfax County Department of

Transportation and Joan Clark from Dana Kaufman's office. Topic is speed table on Rolling Road and multi-way stop sign on Rolling Road and Trent Street.

- Update on home on Jane Way which was cited for several code violations – multiple families, children playing in the street, cooking on the front lawn, loud music.

Dana Kaufman sent a team over to investigate and found that 2 too many people were living in the house. Since the team has been over there has been no more cooking in the front yard, music has been cut out and the children have not been playing in the street.

- Bus stop at corner of Westchester and Franconia road has been adopted by Combined Properties which will maintain it.

- Radar trailer was placed on Bush Hill Drive from November 8-14 and 3,297 vehicles were documented. The average speed of all the vehicles was 25.29 miles per hour. The maximum speed was 68 miles and the minimum was 11 miles. Eighty-five percent of the vehicles traveled the road at 30 miles or less. Fifty percent traveled at 20 miles or less.

- The roller skating rink behind the Crown station on Franconia has been purchased by a new company with plans to refurbish it.

- Neighborhood Watch – A number of car break-ins on Bush Hill Drive and Westchester. There is graffiti underneath the 495 bridge which includes the walk to Metro. A concerned citizen called the police about 3 months ago to see what could be done and has heard nothing. The police have a graffiti number. Randy Bowman (Neighborhood Watch coordinator) will follow-up.

- Program – Special guests Carl Sell and Paul Gannon. Carl is past

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Planning Commissioner (1976-1996) and is currently President of Rose Hill Civic Association. Paul Gannon is current Chairman and has been so for about 7 years. There were here to talk about transportation issues.

In reference to the concerns of the house on Jane Way no more than 4 unrelated adults can live in one house.

Every five years the county goes through a Comprehensive Plan Review but the Board of Supervisors can authorize "out of turn" planning before the five years has ended. Some examples: Route 1, Groveton Heights was zoned for office buildings but the owner wants 3,000 condos and an office building – all this on 4 acres. Tyson's Corner wants to

double its size and has proposed 2,400 units/office complex at the Vienna Metro. Fort Belvoir, with the closing of some of the military offices in Crystal City, wants to bring in 18,000 new jobs. A question that is asked each time is – what about transportation?

The Comprehensive Plan has a transportation element – as houses grow, transportation needs must be met. Because of the "out of turn" we don't meet those needs.

Zoning ordinances in the process of being changed – you can build a 12,000 sq. ft. house on an R3 lot. We are R3, as is Rose Hill. This ordinance will facilitate "tear-downs."

Kingstown – more rezoning to add offices.

Franconia Road – 4 lanes are planned from Telegraph Road to Craft.

November 28, 7-9:00 pm at Franconia Government Center is the next meeting of the Lee District Land Use and Transportation Committee. All meetings are open to the public and all are welcome to attend. This meeting will include discussion on KSI Springfield mid-town project. This project will change the identity of Springfield. Mixed use development. Main issue is transportation. The project will add an urban landscape to Springfield. Twenty stories plus, at least 3 structured parking lots. Springfield Mall will add height and offices.

Call 703-971-6689 to find out current issues and updated agenda for future meetings. Meetings open to the public and all are welcome to attend.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.
Next meeting January 10, 2006.