

Ravensworth Farm Civic Association General Membership Meeting
Minutes
May 27, 2010 – 7:30pm

Introduction

The May general membership meeting of the association was held at Ravensworth Elementary School. Steve Price called the meeting to order. The March 23, 2010 general membership minutes were approved.

Board Elections

Marty Robinson, a nomination for President of the Board, briefly told the membership a little about himself and his family. S. Price informed the membership that the slate of officers for the 2010 elections were as follows:

Marty Robinson for position of President,
Ellen Eggerton for position of 1st Vice President,
Dean Fix for position of 2nd Vice President,
Richmon Tun for the position of Treasurer, and
Ginger Rogers for the position of Recording Secretary.

The position of Corresponding Secretary is vacant. No additional nominations were made from the floor. Katherine Craig motioned to approve the nominations. Ellen Eggerton seconded and nominations were closed. All approved the nominations of officers.

Budget

Since Richmon Tun was unable to attend the meeting, in his absence Dean Fix reviewed the annual operational budget. S. Price reiterated how appreciative the RFCA is to The Great Harvest Bread Company in Burke for donating a very nice breadbasket to each new neighbor.

Neighborhood Watch

S. Price provided an update on the neighborhood watch program (NW).

County Updates

E. Eggerton provided an update on the Braddock Road traffic shifts at I-495. VDOT will shift the westbound lanes of traffic to the new Braddock Road Bridge on May 27th. The following week, on about June 3, eastbound lanes of traffic will be shifted to the new Braddock Road Bridge. Motorists should expect delays.

E. Eggerton also reported that Supervisor Cook and Supervisor Herrity would hold an internet safety town hall meeting on June 10th at Woodson High School. The town hall meeting will cover topics ranging from protecting your identity to safe internet surfing tips for children and teens

Keynote Presentation: Home Energy Audit

E. Eggerton gave a presentation on the elements of a home energy audit. EPA certified auditors through the EPA Home Performance with Energy Star program will come to your home and perform:

- 1) inspection of exterior walls and roof,
- 2) blower door test,
- 3) thermal imaging of interior wall,
- 4) review of heating/AC equipment,
- 5) air quality test, and
- 6) inspection of insulation.

The auditor reviews the problems found, provides options for improvements, and goes over the cost estimates of each option. You will not receive a sales pitch. The audit usually takes 3 hours to complete and cost about \$400. Rebates may be available from the state or federal government for part of the cost of an audit. A list of certified energy auditors will be posted on the RFCA website.

Ravensworth Farm Swim and Racquet Club

S. Price discussed the RFCA \$150 donation to the neighborhood pool. Donna Karlinchak thanked the RFCA for their donation and informed the membership that the money was used to re-stain Kelly's Playground at the pool.

S. Price also reported that the pool is considering opening the tennis courts to members of the neighborhood for a small fee. If anyone is interested in using the tennis courts, who is not a pool member, they should contact the President of the pool, Chris Bergan president@ravensworthpool.com, to express interest in this potential expansion of access.

GROW Team

K. Craig informed the membership that this year, the RFCA is donating \$400 to the Ravensworth Elementary School PTA, specifically the GROW Team. It is the hope of the RFCA that the GROW Team will use this money to plant native trees and shrubs on the school property thereby beautifying both the school and community.

The Parks

Jim Hickey discussed FLAP (Friends of Lake Accotink Park). This group promotes Lake Accotink and the environment. He encouraged members of the neighborhood to join FLAP. By having a large following, FLAP can help maintain Lake Accotink Park and send the message that citizens care; the County is more willing to spend money on Parks that citizens believe are worthwhile.

Braddock nights begin June 4th with concerts every Friday night, weather permitting.

Springfield Days will also be held June 4th. However, this year there will be no boat regatta due to the water level being low from the construction around the lake.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.