

Ravensworth Farm Civic Association General Membership Meeting
Final Minutes
May 22, 2008 – 7:30pm

Introduction

The May general membership meeting of the association was held at Ravensworth Elementary School. Brent Reynolds called the meeting to order. The agenda was accepted with no discussion.

Beautification

B. Reynolds discussed the various projects within the community for beautification and reviewed additional items to improve the neighborhood. Topics included: Braddock Road brush clearing and tree planting; entrance way sign improvements and landscaping; and desirable new stores at Ravensworth Shopping Center as well as improvements to existing ones.

HOT Lanes

The group briefly discussed the Capital Beltway High Occupancy Toll (HOT) Lanes, which will stretch, two new lanes in each direction, from the Springfield Interchange to just north of the Dulles Toll Road. Members are concerned about trees being removed for this project and the increased traffic noise. *Individuals can go to Virginia DOT website and request that a sound wall be constructed on the outer loop from the southbound entrance ramp of Braddock Road to 95.*

Luis Londono will try and contact the company that is contracted to clear the land at the staging areas to determine if some native trees could be re-planted along Braddock Road between Queensberry and Inverchapel.

Braddock Road Median Beautification Project

Tom Reinkober made a presentation to the Membership regarding Braddock Road median beautification project. The project from the beltway to Route 123 down the median of Braddock Road engages the civic associations along the road to finance the project. This project has been approved by VDOT. The Cost for Section 1, Queensberry to Inverchapel Road, is \$2,950. Area Landscaping, Inc. will furnish and install eight 10-foot Crepe Myrtle trees. Each of these trees is valued at \$300. The landscaper will remove stumps and ailing trees, prune existing Pear trees and shrubs as necessary, remove weeds and vines, mulch all trees, fertilize the trees, and dispose of debris.

The Membership voted on spending \$2,950 for Section 1 of the Braddock Road median beautification project. *The vote was approved (14 out of 20 approved the expenditure of \$2,950).*

Finances

Richmon Tun reviewed the civic associations finances. He reported that all finances aligned and correct.

Additional Discussion Topics

A few Members requested a solution be created to slow the speed of traffic coming over the hill on Inverchapel Road near Elliot. Possible solutions may be some form of speed hump and/or no parking allowed along the road at the top of the hill. ***B. Reynolds will contact Sharon Bulova's office regarding this matter.***

Other topics discussed included putting in a bike rack at the bus stop at the end of Inverchapel and Braddock road and having bike lanes created along Queensberry road. ***Hans Jansen is heading this effort. He continues to try and get VDOT to create bike lanes.***

Board Nominations

Kathleen Powers reviewed the list of nominations for the Civic Association Board. Additional nominations were made and discussions regarding nominations ensued. The Membership voted on each position and the new approved Board is presented below.

President:	Brent Reynolds
1 st President:	Luis Londono
2 nd President:	Steve Beste
Recording Secretary:	Katherine Craig
Corresponding Secretary:	Hans Jansen
Treasurer:	Richmon Tun

Meeting adjourned at 9:45p.m.