RFCA General Membership Meeting

May 26, 2011

Minutes

Introduction

The May General Membership Meeting was held at Ravensworth Elementary School. Marty Robinson, President, called the meeting to order at 6:15 P.M. The March 24, 2011, General Membership minutes were approved.

Budget Update

Richmun Tun reviewed the current budget as of May 26, 2011. He advised that a total to date of \$11,426 had been received through Membership dues, Directory and Farmer advertising, and interest on savings. Expenses still to be paid include Boy Scout distribution of *The Farmer* (~ \$400), landscape maintenance at entrances (~ \$1K), and donation of food costs for the Accotink Clean-up day (~ \$500). Additional expenses include Moon Bounce for the community picnic (~ \$300), and repair of the Inverchapel entrance sign (~\$500).

Election of Officers

Marty asked if any members in attendance would like to run for election to the Board of Directors. No one volunteered. Marty read the slate:

President – Marty Robinson

1st Vice President – Ellen Eggerton

2d Vice President – Jacqueline Fix

Recording Secretary – Ginger Rogers

Corresponding Secretary – Kevin Joyce

Treasurer – Richmon Tun

A motion to approve the slate as stated was seconded and the slate was approved by the membership.

Committee Updates

None

Rain barrel Workshop

Kevin Joyce explained that a \$2,500 grant from Transurban and Flour, the HOT Lane developers, allowed the RFCA to partner with the Fairfax County Storm Water Planning Division in purchasing 50 rain barrels for interested members.

Adjourn

The business portion of the meeting was adjourned a 7:00 PM

Rain Barrel Workshop – began at 7:00 PM

Danielle Wynne, Catie Torgersen and Erin Abrahams attended from the Storm Water Planning Group; Lily Whitesell and several interns attended from the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District.

Danielle opened the workshop with a presentation on the benefits of storm water management and watershed protection. The use of rain barrels will prevent the run off, created by the hot lane construction, from cascading from our yards through to the Accotink Creek, the Potomac River, the Chesapeake Bay and eventually the Atlantic Ocean. A one inch rain fall on a 40 x 20 roof will produce 500 gallons of rain!

Lily demonstrated the construction of the rain barrel.

Members who signed up for rain barrels then constructed their own barrel.