



Minutes – January 5, 2010 ACCF Membership Meeting

The meeting called to order at 7:30 pm by Mike Kerley, President. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Maureen Ross of the Cherrydale Civic Association. Opening the meeting, the agenda was approved as submitted; minutes for the December 1, 2009 membership meeting were distributed and approved as submitted; and treasurer's report was approved; several announcements were made. Cathy Wolfe was introduced as new President (and delegate) from Buckingham, replacing Patrick Hope.

The State Delegates appeared as a panel: Robert Brink, Adam Ebbin, Patrick Hope and Mary Margaret Whipple (regrets from David Englin and Patricia Ticer). After opening remarks questions were entertained from the Civic Federation Legislation Committee and member delegates.

In unfinished business, the resolution on helicopter activity, originally introduced at the November 10, 2009 general meeting, was presented by Steve Geiger, Chair, Airport Committee. The motion was initially discussed and amendments introduced and affirmed at the December 1, 2009 general meeting, before postponement and referral back to the Airport Committee for further study. After discussion, the resolution was affirmed by a vote of 45 to 8 (the full resolution appears at www.civfed.org/resheli1001final.pdf):

Resolved that the Arlington County Civic Federation calls on the Arlington County Board to work on its own and through the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments to require helicopter operators to find ways to reduce the noise impact on residential areas by following the existing main routes and flying towards the upper end of the allowable altitude window when they can safely do so for routine flights and without unduly affecting emergency situations or national security.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Submitted:

Sharon J. Rogers
Secretary