



Minutes - October 5, 2010 ACCF Membership Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Mike Kerley, President. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mileva Hartman League Women Voters. Opening the meeting, the agenda and time organization rules was approved as submitted. The minutes of the September 7, 2010 meeting were distributed and approved; the Treasurer's report was accepted; several announcements were made.

Program

The Legislation Committee and the Revenues & Expenditures Committee presented a program on the Amendments to the Constitution of Virginia and Arlington County Bond Referenda (on website at www.civfed.org/constbond1009.pdf). The presentation was followed by member delegate questions and discussion.

The Transportation Committee presented a program on the Streets Element of the Arlington County Master Transportation Plan (plan on website at <http://tinyurl.com/MTP-Streets>) with guest speakers Mr. Ritch Viola Project Manager and Thomas Bruccoleri DES Transportation Planning Bureau. The presentation was followed by committee questions and member delegate questions and discussion.

Unfinished Business

Bylaws Committee proposed a Bylaws amendment (Bylaws Committee report on website www.civfed.org/bylaws1009.pdf). The Committee submitted a further revision at the meeting. The changes to bylaws would add the underline text so they would be revised to read -

"Article VII Committees - Section 3. Committee reports shall be in writing. Committee reports shall be presented to the Federation after the committee has met and the report voted on by the committee members. A copy of the report containing the names of all who attended the meeting which considered the subject(s) of the report shall be given to the President and to the Secretary. The annual report shall contain the names of all committee members who served during the year. Meetings may be held and committee business conducted electronically."

After discussion by the members, the amendment passed 26 yes and 8 no.

The Public Services Committee presented and updated LED Lighting motion (report on website at www.civfed.org/resledsept2010.pdf). The committee revised their report to remove reference to significantly reducing costs. The resolution considered by the members:

"Therefore be it resolved that the Arlington County Civic Federation urges the County Board and the County Manager to work with Dominion and VEPGA, a State utilities regulatory body for electricity, to seek near term agreement on ways to improve the efficiency of Dominion-owned street lights in Arlington County, both in terms of reducing electrical and maintenance costs and improving adverse environmental impacts in terms greenhouse gases and dark sky pollution. And be it further resolved that it would be desirable to have a 4-month demonstration project in a residential neighborhood to give citizens an opportunity to

experience and comment on the use of LED street lights." After discussion by the members, the resolution passed 20 yes and 8 no.

New Business

Planning and Zoning Committee submitted a resolution regarding the County ordinance regarding removal of signs in the public right of way for consideration in November.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:28 until the next membership meeting on November 9, 2010.

Submitted:
Peter Olivere
Secretary