



February 7, 2017
ACCF Membership Meeting

Federation President Stefanie Pryor called the meeting to order at 6:57 PM in the Hazel Auditorium at the Virginia Hospital Center. President Pryor led the meeting in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting's agenda and the January 3, 2017 Membership Meeting Minutes were approved as submitted.

March 2017 Membership Meeting: President Pryor announced that the March 7, 2017 Membership Meeting will be held in the Hazel Auditorium at the Virginia Hospital Center. The meeting will begin at 7:00 PM.

Treasurer's Report: President Pryor announced on behalf of Treasurer Pat Spann that the Federation had balances of \$7,340.36 in its checking account and \$20,873.55 in its savings account as of February 5, 2017.

New Delegate: President Pryor welcomed new delegate Jean Ray White of Arlington View.

Career Center Video recording of this Meeting: President Pryor thanked Career Center students Christian Porter and Philip Wince and their Career Center instructor Tom O'Day for making a video recording of this Federation meeting.

Storm Water Management, Flood Insurance Maps, and Resource Protected Area "RPA" Maps: Arlington County Department of Environmental Services staff members Aileen Winkvist, Elizabeth L. Thurber, Christin Jolicoeur, and Jeff Harn gave presentations and answered questions on Arlington's storm water management goals, FEMA flood insurance maps, and RPA maps. Questions from delegates and alternates on these topics included whether the county used different standards dealing with public and private property owners and RPA encroachments; combined sanitary and storm sewer systems; purchasing easements to help maintain streams; application of FEMA flood insurance maps and the RPA ordinance to development in the Four Mile Run Valley; sidewalk widths; the use of catchment basins to control erosion; parking lots in flood plains; comprehensive planning process to control the effects of new development on existing development; Virginia's obligation to respect Arlington's storm water and RPA management ordinances; Arlington's two golf courses and the RPA ordinance; county programs to identify and notify property owners with flooding risk that are not on FEMA flood insurance maps; the county's goals for its RPA ordinance; and the county's efforts to protect its waste water treatment plant from flooding damage.

[A motion to extend by nine minutes the time available for questions on this agenda item was approved without exception.]

Real Estate Tax Relief: Paul Holland, Chair of Arlington County's Real Estate Relief Working Group and Arlington County Department of Human Services staff members Caitlin Hutchison and Anita Friedman gave presentations and answered questions on Arlington County's Real Estate Relief Program and draft recommendations for changes to the program. Questions from delegates and alternates on these topics included a request for a definition of "baseline" income; adjustments for inflation; participation in the program; homestead exemptions as an alternative; real estate tax relief programs in other states; and excluding expensive homes from the program.

Predatory Towing: Sarah McKinley of Columbia Heights gave a brief report on recently approved changes in the Arlington County ordinance on predatory towing and legislation on predatory towing pending in Richmond.

Accessory Dwellings: President Pryor gave an update on matters currently being discussed by P&Z' Accessory Dwellings Committee.

New Business: Suzanne Sundburg of Organized Women Voters of Arlington introduced a resolution requesting the Arlington County Board to Reverse Classification of County Board Consent Agenda Items as "Nonpublic". President Pryor referred Ms. Sundburg's resolution to the P&Z, R&E, Legislative, and Executive Committees'

Announcements

- The next Membership Meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 in the Hazel Auditorium at the Virginia Hospital Center.
- The next Executive Committee will be held at 6:30 PM on Sunday, February 12, 2017, at the fire station at 4805 Wilson Blvd.
- Thursday, February 23, is the deadline to submit material for the March newsletter.

- 150 Years of Worship – Mount Zion Baptist, Calloway United Methodist, Lomax AME –7:00 PM Thursday, February 9, Gerard Phelan Ding Room, Marymount University, Main Campus, 2807 N. Glebe Rd.
- The ACCF 2017 Awards Committee is looking for nomination of delegates, alternates, committees and member organizations that have made outstanding contributions to Arlington County. Please contact Sarah Shortall at sarah@civfed.org if you have an individual or group you would like to nominate.
- A Community Design Kickoff Meeting for the new Lubber Run Community Center will be held from 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM on Wednesday, February 8, at the Barrett Elementary School at 4401 N. Henderson Rd.
- Open Data Meeting – 7:00 PM on Thursday, February 9, in the Azalea Room at 2100 Clarendon Blvd.
- The 2017 ACCF Annual Banquet will be held on Friday April 7th from 5:30 to 8:30 PM at the Rosslyn Holiday Inn. Guest Speakers are Robert Thomson, Doctor Gridlock of the Washington Post, and Emeka Monome, Deputy Executive Director of the Federal City Council
- 25th Feel the Heritage Festival –1:00 PM to 6:00 PM, Saturday, February 25, at the Drew Community Center at 3500 S. 23 St.

The meeting adjourned at 8:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Dennis Gerrity, Secretary