

Newsletter of the Arlington County Civic Federation

June 2010

# **Meeting Notice**

Tuesday, June 1, 2010 7:30 p.m. Hazel Conference Center Virginia Hospital Center 1701 N. George Mason Drive Arlington, VA 22205 www.civfed.org

# Agenda

- 7:30 Pledge of Allegiance Approve agenda Officer reports Member delegate announcements
- 7:40 Election of officers and Executive Committee members
- 7:50 New County Manager introduction
- 8:10 Capital Improvement Program informational program
- 9:10 Unfinished Business Bylaws Committee report
- 9:25 New Business
- 9:30 Adjourn

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## **Executive Committee**

Mark Antell, Chair <u>mark@civfed.org</u> Terri Prell, Vice-Chair <u>terri@civfed.org</u>

Member delegates should let the Executive Committee know issues on which they would like to see future Civic Federation programs.

The Executive Committee will meet on June 7, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. at 1800 N. Oak Street (Gallery at Rosslyn) to plan future Civic Federation general meeting programs and to elect its chair and vice-chair.

Annual Civic Federation committee reports are due by May 31, 2010. Reports should include a list of committee members and a brief summary of the business the committee conducted from June 2009 to May 2010.

# <u>Agenda Details</u>

# **Civic Federation Election**

Civic Federation member delegates will elect officers (president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer) plus five members of the Executive Committee to serve from June 1, 2010, to June 7, 2011.

#### New County Manager

Mark Antell <u>mark@civfed.org</u> Terri Prell <u>terri@civfed.org</u>

The Civic Federation Executive Committee will present a program with guest speakers Jay Fisette, Chairman of the Arlington County Board, and Michael Brown, Arlington County Manager. The program will give Civic Federation member delegates an opportunity to hear brief remarks from Mr. Brown and welcome him to Arlington.

### Capital Improvement Program

Cecelia Espenoza <u>cecelia@civfed.org</u> Wayne Kubicki <u>wayne@civfed.org</u>

The Civic Federation Revenues and Expenditures Committee and Schools Committee will present an informational program about the Arlington County Capital Improvement Program with guest speakers Michelle Cowan, Arlington County Assistant Chief Financial Officer; and, from Arlington Public Schools, Mary Beth Chambers, Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Management Services; Bill O'Connor, Director, Design and Construction Services; and Clarence Stukes, Assistant Superintendent, Facilities and Operations.

#### Bylaws Amendment Jean Mostrom 703-532-0452

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The Civic Federation Bylaws Committee will report to the Civic Federation with a recommendation that the Civic Federation amend Article VII Section 3 of its Bylaws.

# **Committee News**

#### **Bylaws**

Jean Mostrom 703-532-0452 Susan Zajac <u>sue@civfed.org</u>

The Civic Federation Bylaws Committee will report to the Civic Federation with a recommendation that the Civic Federation amend Article VII Section 3 of its Bylaws to read (underlined text is newly proposed):

<u>Committee recommendations to the Civic</u> <u>Federation are valid after an announced</u> <u>meeting is held by the committee and a vote</u> <u>on the recommendation is recorded</u>. Committee reports shall be in writing. A copy 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.

# **Community Relations**

Sharon Rogers sharon@civfed.org

On May 11, 2010, Civic Federation member delegates participated in an Arlington County memorial ceremony to honor fallen officers of the Arlington County Police Department.



*Sal D'Itri, chair of the Civic Federation Public Services Committee, and Officer Avie of the Arlington County Police Department* 

# **Cultural Affairs**

Terri Prell terri@civfed.org

The presentation from the May 4, 2010, Civic Federation program about the Cultural Center (Artisphere) is listed here: (www.civfed.org/presart1005.pdf).

#### Housing

Kathryn Scruggs kathryn@civfed.org

The Committee will meet on May 25, 2010, at 935 N. Liberty Street (Scruggs residence) to discuss questions that were raised at the May 4, 2010, Civic Federation Housing and Code Enforcement program including a code enforcement audit model used in Richmond, Virginia. The presentation from the May 4, 2010, program is listed here:(www.civfed.org/ prescodeenforce1005.pdf).



Susan Bell, Director, Arlington County Department of Community Planning, Housing and Development discussing housing and code enforcement issues

#### Membership

Mileva Hartman mileva@civfed.org

\$50 dues notices for Civic Federation membership from July 1, 2010, to June 30, 2011, will be mailed in July to member organization treasurers. Please pay promptly and be sure to include an updated list of your organization's officers plus four Civic Federation delegates and four Civic Federation alternate delegates. Please contact Membership Committee chair Mileva Hartman on 703-841-9287 or mileva@civfed.org with questions.

#### Nominating Committee

Mileva Hartman <u>mileva@civfed.org</u> Larry Mayer <u>larrymayer@civfed.org</u> Martha Moore <u>martha@civfed.org</u> Jim Pebley <u>jim@civfed.org</u> Tim Wise <u>tim@civfed.org</u>

According to Article IV Section 3 of the Civic Federation Bylaws on June 1, 2010, Civic Federation member delegates will elect officers plus five members of the Executive Committee to serve from June 1, 2010, to June 7, 2011. Nominations for all positions will be taken from the floor. The Nominating Committee will report to Civic Federation member delegates on its study with the following slate as its recommendation:

President ----- Mike Kerley, Arlington Forest

Vice President - Terri Prell, North Rosslyn

- Secretary ----- Peter Olivere, Glencarlyn
- Treasurer ------ Eileen Williams, League of Women Voters
- Exec. Com.---- Mark Antell, North Rosslyn
- Exec. Com.----Gary Barbee, Nauck
- Exec. Com.----Burt Bostwick, Old Glebe
- Exec. Com. ----- Larry Finch, Donaldson Run
- Exec. Com. ----- Amy Levin, Aurora Highlands

## **Public Services**

Sal D'Itri sal@civfed.org

The Civic Federation's 2007 resolution calling for a sidewalk snow removal ordinance with waivers possible for residents is listed here:(<u>www.civfed.org/</u> ressnowicepolicy0712.pdf).

The sidewalk snow removal ordinance that the Arlington County Board will consider adopting on June 12, 2010, will be discussed by Arlington County staff at a community forum on May 20, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. at 3033 Wilson Boulevard. The snow removal ordinance under consideration is listed here: (http://tinyurl.com/snow-removal-ordinance).

#### **Revenues and Expenditures**

Wayne Kubicki wayne@civfed.org

The committee is working with the Civic Federation Schools Committee to prepare a meeting program about the Arlington County fiscal year 2011 to 2016 Capital Improvement Program: (http://tinyurl.com/ County-CIP). The program will be presented at the June 1, 2010, Civic Federation general meeting. The guest speaker from Arlington County will be Michelle Cowan, Assistant Chief Financial Officer.

#### Schools

Cecelia Espenoza cecelia@civfed.org

The committee is working with the Civic Federation Revenues and Expenditures Committee to prepare the schools part of the informational program about the fiscal year 2011 to 2016 Capital Improvement Plan: (http://tinyurl.com/APS-CIP). The guest speakers from Arlington Public Schools will be Mary Beth Chambers, Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Management Services; Bill O'Connor, Director, Design and Construction Services; and Clarence Stukes, Assistant Superintendent, Facilities and Operations.

#### **Special Events**

Peter Olivere <a href="mailto:peterolivere@civfed.org">peterolivere@civfed.org</a>

The Civic Federation is planning to have a booth at the Arlington County Fair August 18 to 22, 2010, if we can get enough volunteers to staff it. This year we will be emphasizing the individual civic associations and why they are important to residents. In addition to our traditional map showing the association boundaries, we will have a binder which will include association contact information, issues they have addressed and activities which they sponsor. In June we will be reaching out to the neighborhood association presidents to gather this information, but first we need commitments from twenty volunteers by June 4, 2010. If you think you may be able to staff the booth for a couple hours please contact Pete Olivere on peterolivere@civfed.org.

#### Transportation

Jerry Auten jerry@civfed.org

The committee is studying the Streets Element of the Master Transportation Plan that Arlington County plans to consider adopting in late 2010 http://tinyurl.com/Streets-Element-Draft. The purpose of the plan is to provide a framework for addressing and managing street uses in Arlington through 2030.

# **Unfinished Business**

On June 1, 2010, Civic Federation member delegates will hear, discuss, and vote on a report from the Bylaws Committee that recommends amending Article VII Section 3 of the Civic Federation Bylaws to read:

Committee recommendations to the Civic Federation are valid after an announced meeting is held by the committee and a vote on the recommendation is recorded. Committee reports shall be in writing. A copy of the report shall be given to the president and to the secretary.

Article VII Section 3 currently reads:

Committee reports shall be in writing. A copy of the report, containing the names of all who attended the meetings 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.