



Meeting Notice

Tuesday, June 5, 2012
7:30 p.m.
Hazel Auditorium
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 Civic Federation officers and Executive Committee Members
- 7:50 CIP Program
 - Presentation by County Staff (15 min)
 - Presentation by Schools Staff (15 min)
 - R&E Committee questions (10 min)
 - Schools Committee questions (10 min)
 - Member delegate questions (10 min)
- 8:50 P&Z Sign Ordinance program
- 9:50 Unfinished Business
 - Resolution Regarding Proposed Changes to the County Ordinances Affecting Agriculture**
- 10:00 New Business
- 10:05 Adjourn

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Executive Committee News

Jim Lantelme, Chair jim@civfed.org
Burt Bostwick, Vice-Chair burt@civfed.org

The Executive Committee met on May 7, 2012, to discuss the May 1 general meeting. (www.civfed.org/officers.htm).

The Executive Committee will meet on June 11, 2012, at 7:30 p.m. at 4805 Wilson Blvd, Arlington VA 22203 (Fire Station 2) to coordinate committee work, plan future meeting programs.

Committee News

Federation Representation on Urban Agriculture Task Force

The Executive Committee nominated Darnell Carpenter, Nauck, to be the Federation’s representative to the Urban Agriculture Task Force. Mr. Carpenter was appointed by the County Board at the meeting which was held on

May 22. Please contact Mr. Carpenter with any questions or concerns regarding this process at darnell009@verizon.net.

Meeting Program

Civic Federation Election

The Civic Federation member delegates Stan Karson, Larry Finch, Mark Antell, Gerry Auten, and Jim Pebley were elected to serve on the Civic Federation Nominating Committee at the April 3rd Civic Federation meeting. While nominations for all positions will be taken from the floor, the committee will propose the following slate of member delegates be elected as officers and Executive Committee Members at the June 5th Civic Federation meeting:

President	James Schroll Ballston-Virginia Square
Vice President	Darnell Carpenter Nauck
Secretary	Amy Levin Aurora Highlands
Treasurer	Peter Olivere Glencarlyn
Executive Committee	Burt Bostwick Old Glebe
Executive Committee	Kim Klingler Leeway Overlee
Executive Committee	James Lantelme Lyon Village
Executive Committee	Mike McMenamin Maywood
Executive Committee	Terri Prell North Rosslyn

The newly elected officers and Executive Committee Members will take office immediately following the adjournment of the June 5th Civic Federation meeting. The new Executive Committee will meet on June 11th at 7:30 p.m. at 4805 Wilson

Boulevard (Fire Department Station 2 in Ballston).

R&E/Schools CIP Program

The Revenues and Expenditures and Schools Committees will present a program on the proposed Capital Improvement Projects. Dr. Murphy and Arlington County Schools Staff will make a presentation regarding the Capital Improvement Project proposals affecting Public Schools. Second, County Staff will make a presentation regarding Capital Improvement Project proposals affecting County facilities. After both presentations, the Revenues and Expenditure and Schools Committees will ask our guests prepared questions. Following prepared questions, member and alternate delegates may ask questions. This is an hour long program, divided as follows:

- Superintendent/Public Schools Presentation (15 min.)
- County Staff Presentation (15 min.)
- Revenues and Expenditures prepared questions (10 min.)
- Schools prepared questions (10 min.)
- Member and alternate delegate questions (10 min)

If you have questions and/or comments, please contact Wayne Kubicki, Chair of the Revenues & Expenditures Committee, at wayne@civfed.org, and Michael Beer, Chair of the Schools Committee, at michaelbeer@civfed.org

P&Z Sign Ordinance Program

The Planning and Zoning Committee will present a program on the update to the County's Sign Ordinance, including changes to Right of Way signs, Roof-line signs, sign removal, in addition to other revisions to the ordinance. For those interested, please find out more from the following link:

<http://www.arlingtonva.us/departments/CPHD/planning/studies/SignRegUpdate.aspx>

This will program will be an hour long and will contain questions. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Planning and Zoning Committee Co-Chairs, Larry Mayer (larrymayer@civfed.org) and Martha Moore (martha@civfed.org).

Unfinished Business

The unfinished business before the Federation is consideration of the following resolution introduced by Jim Pebley, from Waycroft-Woodlawn Civic Association, the text of which is listed below.

The Planning and Zoning Committee recommends deferral of action on the Backyard Hen resolution or, any revision thereof, to no earlier than the October 2012 ACCF meeting.

Resolution Regarding Proposed Changes to the County Ordinances Affecting Agriculture

WHEREAS Arlington County has formed a task force on urban agriculture that may likely include findings and recommendations regarding agriculture, including the raising livestock and poultry in Arlington; and

WHEREAS there may be benefits to increased urban agriculture in Arlington; and

WHEREAS, the current zoning ordinance for R5, R6, R8, R10, and R20 zoned properties requires, for example, that the raising, housing, or sale of livestock and poultry must be maintained at a distance of no less than 100 feet from any street or lot line; and

WHEREAS a substantial effort is underway by members of the Arlington Egg Project advocating relaxation of such poultry provisions of the code to permit "backyard hens" for the purposes of locally producing chicken eggs; and

WHEREAS relaxation of such restrictions on poultry may result in impacts on neighboring properties, may pollute rainwater runoff, attract rodents, spread odors and, according to the U.S. Center for Disease Control, may introduce salmonella; and

WHEREAS similar concerns are likely to exist for relaxation of other regulations affecting agriculture in Arlington; and

WHEREAS the task force was not charged with reaching a consensus outcome, and instead will take votes that may fail to represent the views held by the majority of Arlingtonians; and

WHEREAS there is no assurance that the concerns of neighbors will be raised by the task force, much less incorporated into their recommendations; and

WHEREAS the County Board did not appoint a Civic Federation representative to the aforementioned task force, therefore representation of the Civic Federation's position on the relaxation of residential zoning ordinances should be expeditiously adopted to advise the County Board and the task force;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Arlington County Civic Federation is opposed to relaxing the current restrictions in the Arlington County ordinances that relate to agriculture activities in Arlington, including the raising, housing, or sale of livestock or poultry, without a more expansive and inclusive public process.

General and Executive Committee Meeting Dates

Month	Primary Program Topic	General Meeting	Executive Committee Meeting
June	To be determined & Civic Federation election	Tuesday 5	Monday 11

Executive Committee meetings will be held on the Monday following the General Meeting. They will be held at 7:30pm at 4805 Wilson Blvd (Fire Station 2).

Civic Federation Committee Chairs

Civic Federation committees study community-wide policy issues in their jurisdiction and report to the Civic Federation's member organization delegates. All Civic Federation delegates and alternate delegates should serve on a committee. If you are not already serving on a committee, please review the jurisdictions (www.civfed.org/committe.htm) and email the committee chair to sign up.

Committee	Chair(s)	Email Address
Executive	Chair Jim Lantelme; Vice Chair Burt Bostwick	jim@civfed.org ; burt@civfed.org
Airport	Steve Geiger	steveg@civfed.org
Awards	Elected by membership December 7, 2011	to be determined
Audit	Robert Atkins	to be determined
Bylaws	Jean Mostrom	703-532-0452
Community Relations	Sharon Rogers	sharon@civfed.org
Cultural Affairs	Barbara Olivere	barbara@civfed.org
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Housing	Kathryn Scruggs	kathryn@civfed.org
Legislation	<i>Chair(s) needed</i>	to be determined
Membership	Mileva Hartman	mileva@civfed.org
911 Scholarships	Jim Pebley	jim@civfed.org
Nominating	Stan Karson, Larry Finch, Mark Antell, Gerry Auten, and Jim Pebley.	to be determined
Parks and Recreation	Jay Wind	jay@civfed.org
Planning and Zoning	Martha Moore and Larry Mayer	martha@civfed.org , larrymayer@civfed.org
Public Services	Sal D'Itri	sal@civfed.org
Revenues and Expenditures	Wayne Kubicki	wayne@civfed.org
Schools	Michael Beer	michaelbeer@civfed.org
Special Events	<i>Chair(s) needed</i>	to be determined
Transportation	Jerry Auten	jerry@civfed.org