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Meeting Notice

Tuesday, October 2, 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 Bond Referenda Program
- 9:50 Unfinished Business
 - Motion to postpone: 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
Terri Prell, Vice-Chair terri@civfed.org

The Executive Committee met on September 9, 2012 to plan the agenda for the October 2, 2012, meeting general meeting and discussed the agenda for future meetings (www.civfed.org/officers.htm).

The Executive Committee will meet on October 14, 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

Dues Reminder

We'd like to remind you that the dues for Civic Federation member organizations were due on July 1. Over a third of the member organizations have not as yet paid their dues. Please check with the Treasurer of your organization to see if they sent you check and included the update to the membership list which was sent with the dues notice. If you have any questions, contact Peter Olivere at peterolivere@civfed.org.

Rep Needed for Traffic Calming Committee

The Federation is looking for a representative to serve on the County's Traffic Calming Committee meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, or have a name to suggest, please contact James Schroll at james@civfed.org.

Work on New Website

The Federation is beginning the conversation about updating the Federation's website. This will be a long process and we would like your input. If you would like to participate in the discussion or would like to volunteer your time with this effort, please contact James Schroll at james@civfed.org. Additionally, if you would like to suggest websites that you feel work well, please send those ideas to James.

Meeting Program

Bond Referenda Program

At the October meeting, there will be program on each of the four bond referenda that will appear on November ballot. There will be a 10 minute summary of each bond. After the overview, there will be pro and con speakers for each bond, each of whom will be allowed to make brief, 2-minute statements. Following the conclusion of all the presentations there will be approximately 5 minutes for the consideration of each bond, which will be styled as an up or down vote on support for each of the four bonds (e.g. "The

Federation votes to support the \$31.95 million Metro and transportation bond").

The Arlington County Board approved four bond referendum questions to appear on the November ballot:

1. Metro and Transportation - \$31.95 million
2. Local Parks and Recreation - \$50.55 million
3. Community Infrastructure - \$28.31 million
4. Arlington Public Schools - \$42.62 million

For more information on the aforementioned bonds, please click the following link:

<http://www.arlingtonva.us/departments/ManagementAndFinance/page87074.aspx>.

Program on Proposed Constitutional Amendment on Eminent Domain

Mr. Jon Kinney, is a partner in the law firm Bean, Kinney & Korman, P.C., and is a land use attorney with over 35 years of experience. is past chairman of the Arlington Community Service Board, the Arlington Housing commission and Northern Virginia Legal Services. He also served on the Board of the Arlington County Community Housing Finance Corporation and currently as Trustee of the Arlington County Employee Retirement System. Mr. Kinney also currently serves as Vice President of the Clarendon Alliance and as Trustee for the Arlington Community Foundation and the Community Residences Foundation.

<http://www.sbe.virginia.gov/webdocs/201211ConstitutionalAmendmentBillOfRights.pdf>

Unfinished Business

The resolution introduced by Mr. Beer at the September meeting regarding support for the Schools Bond which will be on the ballot this November has been withdrawn. Please see the Bond Referenda Program section for details on how this will be considered.

The resolution introduced by Jim Pebley at the May meeting of the Federation had been postponed from the June meeting to the October meeting for consideration. Mr. Pebley has requested that consideration of his resolution be postponed till the January meeting.

Other News

New Vote ID Law In Effect This Fall

There have been recent changes made to Virginia's voter identification laws. **Virginia voters are reminded that state law requires all voters to provide an acceptable form of identification (ID) at the polls.** Voters arriving to the polls without ID will be required to vote a provisional ballot and will have until noon on the Friday after the election to deliver a copy of identification to their locality's electoral board in order for their provisional ballot to be counted.

Please see below in "***Provisional Ballot Process for Voters Who Arrive Without Identification***" for more information on how the provisional ballot process will work for those arriving to the polls without ID.

Virginia's ID requirements also apply to absentee voters who vote in-person. Please see below in "***Special Federal ID Requirements for Certain First Time Voters***" for other potential special cases for first-time voters.

Acceptable forms of identification include the following:

- Virginia voter identification card
- Valid Virginia driver's license
- Military ID
- Any Federal, Virginia state or local government-issued ID
- Employer issued photo ID card
- Concealed handgun permit
- Valid student ID issued by any institution of higher education located in the Commonwealth of Virginia
- Current utility bill, bank statement, government check or paycheck indicating the name and address of the voter
- Social Security card (*please see below as the social security card does not satisfy special federal ID requirements)

A voter who does not bring an acceptable ID to the polls will be offered a provisional ballot. A voter who requires assistance to vote by reason of physical disability or an inability to read or write, if he so requests, may also be assisted in completing this ballot. Please find more information at http://www.sbe.virginia.gov/cms/Voter_Information/Voter_ID_Requirements_in_Virginia.html

General and Executive Committee Meeting Dates

Month	Primary Program Topic	General Meeting	Executive Committee Meeting
October	Bond Program	Tuesday 2	Sunday 14
November	Emergency Preparedness and Traffic/Traffic Controls	Tuesday 13	Sunday 18
December	To be determined	Tuesday 4	Sunday 9
January	Legislative Program	Tuesday 8	Sunday 13
February	County Board Program	Tuesday 5	Sunday 10
March	School Board Program	Tuesday 5	Sunday 10
April	R&E and Schools Committees Budget Program	Tuesday 2	Sunday 7
May	To be determined	Tuesday 7	Sunday 12
June	To be determined & Civic Federation election	Tuesday 4	Sunday 9

Executive Committee meetings will be held on the Sunday 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 Terri Prell	jim@civfed.org ; terri@civfed.org
Airport	<i>Chair(s) needed</i>	steveg@civfed.org
Awards	Elected by membership December 7, 2011	to be determined
Audit		to be determined
Bylaws	Jean Mostrom	703-532-0452
Community Relations	Sharon Rogers	sharon@civfed.org
Cultural Affairs	Barbara Olivere	barbara@civfed.org
Emergency Preparedness	Jackie Snelling	jackie@civfed.org
Environmental Affairs	Joe Pelton	joepelton@civfed.org
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	<i>Chair(s) needed</i>	to be determined
Revenues and Expenditures	Wayne Kubicki	wayne@civfed.org
Schools	Michael Beer and Sany Munnell	michaelbeer@civfed.org ; smunnell@gmail.com
Special Events	<i>Chair(s) needed</i>	to be determined
Transportation	Jerry Auten	jerry@civfed.org