Newsletter of the Arlington County Civic Federation

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Meeting Notice

Tuesday, January 8, 2013
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 Metro Transit Program
- 9:10 Old Business

Resolution on LEAP Energy Efficiency Initiative—As a Model Program for the State of Virginia

- 9:30 New Business
- 9:35 Adjourn

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Executive Committee News

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The Executive Committee met on December 9, 2012 to plan the agenda for the January 8, 2013, meeting general meeting and discussed the agenda for future meetings (www.civfed.org/officers.htm).

The Executive Committee will meet on January 13, 2013, 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

Dues for Civic Federation member organizations were due on July 1. Article III Section 7 of the bylaws states ". . . Organizations whose dues are more than six (6) months in arrears shall be dropped from membership in the Federation . . . ". If you organization is dropped, you will not be able to speak or vote at our meetings.

We have not received dues payment from several organizations. If your organization has not paid its dues, please contact your association Treasurer to remedy this problem. If you have any questions, contact our Treasurer Peter Olivere at peterolivere@civfed.org.

Working Group for Neighborhood Insurance

Many delegates and organizations have been concerned about the County requirement to procure insurance for neighborhood and community events. Paul Svercl will lead a working group to investigate possible options for the Federation to provide private insurance to its member organizations. The working group will provide a recommendation, but no action will be taken until the Executive Committee and Federation has had an opportunity to consider said recommendation. If you are interested in participating in the working group, please contact Paul at pvsvercl@yahoo.com.

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 will be switching over to the new website this month. We know that the history of the Federation and its actions are important and these records will be maintained. New information will be placed on the new website, although current and old information will still be accessible from the archived website. Through this transition, we welcome your input and suggestions. If you have any comments or questions, please email James Schroll at James Schroll at james@civfed.org.

Meeting Program

Metro Transit Program

The Transportation Committee will present a program on Metro Transit, with a specific focus on Metro's Momentum Strategic Framework. A representative from Washington Area Metropolitan Area Transit Authority will be our guest, in addition to a staffer from the Department of Environmental member to provide Arlington County perspective. Each of our presenters will have between 15-20 minutes for their opening remarks. Following their initial presentations, member delegates may ask questions of our panelists. This will be a 90 minute program. Please fine more information on the Momentum Strategic Plan at the following link: http://www.wmata.com/momentum/.

Unfinished Business

The Unfinished business before the Federation at the January 8 meeting is the resolution introduced by Mr. Joe Pelton. The revised text of the resolution may be found below:

Resolution on LEAP Energy Efficiency Initiative —As a Model Program for the State of Virginia

Whereas the Local Energy Alliance Program (LEAP) Energy Efficiency Initiative has been reviewed and endorsed by Arlington County officials and the Arlingtonians for a Clean Environment (ACE).

Whereas the initial objective of the program is to help 20% of the residences in the County to become at least 20% more energy efficient, and to

assist citizens in a variety of ways in order to achieve this goal.

Whereas recent studies have found that energy efficient homes have demonstrated up to a 9% premium in sales price, and whereas the achievement of a 20% increase in household energy efficiency can result in substantial savings over a 10 year period.

Whereas this program is a pilot project in Arlington County, but has the ultimate goal of extending the project to other areas of Virginia.

Whereas the LEAP Energy Efficiency Initiative has requested that the Arlington County Civic Federation help publicize the availability of this program.

Therefore, it is hereby resolved that the Arlington County Civic Federation endorses the LEAP Energy Efficiency Initiative and agrees to help to communicate to its membership organizations the availability of this new program that is planned to take place in 2013.

General and Executive Committee Meeting Dates

| Month | Primary Program Topic | General Meeting | Executive Committee Meeting |
|----------|--|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| January | Metro Transit 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 9* | Sunday 14* |
| May | Legislative Delegation Program | Tuesday 7 | Sunday 12 |
| June | To be determined & Civic Federation election | Tuesday 4 | Sunday 9 |

^{*}These meetings will be held the second week of the month, which is a deviation from the original schedule. Please not this change. The location for these meetings is unchanged. 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 |
|---------------------------|---|---|
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| Public Services | Chair(s) needed | to be determined |
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| Schools | Michael Beer and Sany Munnell | michaelbeer@civfed.org; smunnell@gmail.com |
| Special Events | Chair(s) needed | to be determined |
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