

Capitol View / Stiff Station Neighborhood Association Meeting

April 13, 2008

2715 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Street – 7:00 p.m.

Minutes

Stephen Stricklin called the meeting to order:

1) Evelyn gave the Membership and Treasurer's Report. So far in 2008 there have been 11 paid memberships. With respect to the treasury, there is \$2,116.19 in the general account and \$913.78 in the public safety account.

2) The minutes from the March meeting were read and accepted. Evelyn moved to accept the minutes and Nancy seconded. The motion passed.

3) Sheila Reynolds from the City of Little Rock Code Enforcement office addressed some of the problem properties in the neighborhood.

a. The lot at 7<sup>th</sup> and Coates has been cleaned up and leveled.

b. Some work has been done on the house at 101 Thayer. The owner will be siding the carriage house and painting the trim.

c. Roof repairs are complete at the house at 402 Thayer, but other issues still exist. The house has been deeded to a son of the owner who lives in Atlanta. He is supposedly getting bids to get the rest of the work done and is aware of the neighborhood's concerns.

d. A notice was sent to the owner of the property at 2623 Markham. He started doing some of the work but it wasn't acceptable. Code gave the owner a citation on March 31, and he will go to court on April 30.

Sheila also talked about various general code issues, including vacant lots and graffiti, and gave out a handout on residential burglary prevention tips.

4) Information was presented on the yearly Challenge Grant, which is available once a year. Possible ideas that the neighborhood could pursue are funds for the bee hives, a newsletter, or neighborhood signage.

5) Stephen reported that a neighborhood newsletter is coming – watch for details.

6) Ernest Sanders, a candidate for District Judge addressed the meeting. He has experience in law and is a former deputy prosecuting attorney. He would like to see probation officers to be more proactive (i.e., do random visits to keep criminals on their toes). He also has experience as a defender and has been involved in a wide variety of cases. He is running against Alice Lightle and Hugh Finkelstein. His website, for more information, is [www.sanders4judge.com](http://www.sanders4judge.com).

7) Announcements

- a. Neighborhood Cleanup – April 19<sup>th</sup>
- b. The proposed Walgreen's will go before the Board of Directors on May 6<sup>th</sup>.
- c. Facilitator's Banquet – April 24<sup>th</sup>, 6-8 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned.