

## Capitol View / Stiff Station Neighborhood Association Meeting

August 10, 2009

2715 W. 7th Street – 7:00 p.m.

### Minutes

- 1) The members in attendance introduced themselves.
- 2) A panel of real estate professionals that included Casey Franks from Pulaski Heights Realty, Eric Wilkerson from Charlotte Johns and Claire Brown from Adkins, McNeill Smith talked about several topics and answered questions. The topics discussed included property values, market values (our area is desirable and the Little Rock market is strong), desired home improvements among buyers (kitchens, baths, and major mechanical systems), home pre-inspections, demographics of buyers in our neighborhood (young professionals), and green trends and energy efficiency.
- 3) Evelyn gave the Membership and Treasury Report. There is a balance of \$2,575.86 in the general account and \$913.78 in the public safety account.
- 4) The minutes were reviewed. Ralph moved and Becca seconded that the minutes be approved. The motion passed unanimously.
- 5) Elections were held for Vice President between candidates David Wilson and Lori Berry. A written ballot was cast and David Wilson won the election.
- 6) There was nothing to report on the 3rd and Schiller Mural Project.
- 7) There was no report on the Community Garden.
- 8) Becca and Kathleen reported that they are still working on getting a price for signs announcing the meetings, and hope to have something by next meeting.
- 9) A report was given on National Night Out. The event went well and was well attended with about 150-200 people attending. It was covered by KATV and the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette. The “Jail & Bail” raised \$183 dollars for the Neighborhood Association.
- 10) Kathleen reported on several issues:
  - a. She attended a meeting with City Manager Bruce Moore concerning Alert Centers. He is committed to keeping them.
  - b. She reported on a new format for environmental/code complaints, including high grass, curbside pick-ups, etc.

c. NUSA volunteer forms for 2010 are available and a meeting concerning proposed NUSA neighborhood bus tours will be on August 27th at the Neighborhood Resource Center,

11) The speaker at the September meeting will be Beth Phelps from the University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Services, and she will talk about tree issues.

12) Ralph reported on information that had been received concerning the Citywide Historic Preservation Plan. The plan can be reviewed online at <http://littlerock.org/citydepartments/planninganddevelopment/subsection.aspx?pageid=70>. A meeting will be held on September 9, 2009, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers at City Hall. Letters of support are also being requested for the plan and they are due by September 25th. The Neighborhood Association will vote about submitting a letter at the September meeting. Letters of support can be sent to: Chairman Marshall Peters, Little Rock Historic District Commission, Planning and Development, 723 West Markham, Little Rock, AR 72201.

13) The issue of a neighborhood identity crisis was brought up by Steven Chapman (i.e., should Capitol View Stiff Station be hyphenated, is it Stiff Station or Stiff's Station), and it will be discussed at the September meeting.

14) Meeting adjourned.