

MINUTES OF THE HAMPTON IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

June 2, 2014

I. The meeting was called to order by Dwight Kines, President at 7:35 P.M. 14 persons were in attendance.

II. Prior Minutes: The minutes of the May meeting were not available for approval and will be reviewed and approved at the next meeting.

III. Hampton Mansion Update: Anna VonLunz gave the report. She reported that Laura McCloughlin and Paul Bitzel had both retired. Brook is now serving as Chief of Resource Management for both Hampton and Ft. McHenry. She indicated the President will be attending the 200th Anniversary celebration of the end of the War of 1812. The paving to the new Visitor's Center is being completed. Lectures and other activities including Harvest Day are planned for the summer/fall. There was a question from a resident who borders the park about storm water management. Anna indicated that storm water measures are being put in place as overseen by both the county and the state.

IV. Treasurer's Report: There was no report since Alan Moore was absent.

V. Welcoming Committee: Kevin Burroughs reported that he and Janel made several visits recently and are up to date. He feels most will become members of the Association. Kevin also indicated he has freshened of the landscaping around the two signs and will continue to do so several times a year. The community block party will be held the last Saturday in August.

VI. Website: The website has been updated. This was a several month long process. It includes new items and the Board was encouraged to go through it to see how it has been improved and make comments. It will then be finalized and people will be able to access it.

VII. Appearance by State Senator Brochin: Senator Brochin attended the meeting and addressed those present on his stance on various issues including supporting the legislation on increasing the minimum wage; the recoupling of Maryland estate taxes with the federal law. He does not support the legalization of marijuana but does support lessening of penalties. He supports legislation relating to a reconstituted school board so that certain members are elected by the voters. He supported legislation that limits the abuse of speed cameras and takes away the bounty system. Finally, he was very concerned about candidate Brown's handling of the Health Care registration and will be supporting Gansler in the primary. He indicated he is facing a big challenge in gaining re-election because his district has been enlarged and covers areas he has never represented in the past.

VIII. Security: Dwight indicated things have been relatively quiet. Rae Ann reported that people have been congregating in the vicinity of Seminary, Hickory and Mildam to head back to the reservoir area. The question is whether this can be regulated by signs, hand outs or other matter.

IX. ARC Report: Dwight Kines went over several matters. First, at 600 St Francis, the owner has put a fence around the pool which is within the setbacks. Plans are forthcoming relating to the addition of a room and garage at 604 E. Seminary. These will be circulated. He reported that a bulldozer has been seen at 600 E. Seminary and that the new owner has been advised of the covenants.

X Old Business: Dwight Kines reported that we are still awaiting a decision in the Court case. The clean up at 1307 Doves Cove Road should be concluding shortly. He lauded the

success of the Easter Egg Hunt. The pocket park could still use a clean up and Rae Ann agreed to look into and take care of that.

XI New Business. Dwight Kines reported that there is erosion occurring throughout the neighborhood in stream areas and the County has been requested to look into it and will prioritize areas where it is trying to solve the problem. The repaving of various main streets is a little behind but will probably occur during the summer. There are more cars again at 710 E Seminary. Dwight indicated he had talked to the owner who promised to get them out. It was mentioned that the coating on the roads previously paved is not holding up well and questions were raised as to the components of the coating and could they be a health hazard.

XII Adjournment. All business having been conducted, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM. The next meeting will be held on September 2nd.

Respectfully submitted

Larry Jenkins