

Minutes

WMCA April 25, 2016

Present: Allan Carlson, President
Bob Wehr, Treasurer
Rosemary DuMont, secretary
Ann Arnold
Ron Heater

Draft minutes approved.

Treasurers report. Next meeting at Homewood will incur expenses. Both Homewood and Worman's Mill require liability insurance. Treasurer's report accepted.

Website had 152 pageviews, 451 emails on our email list

Preparation for next meeting at Homewood on 5/18/16. Ann has arranged for Homewood menus for the next three meetings. Bob Wehr will be meeting with staff from the School for the Deaf in the next week to find out more about May presentation. He will introduce speakers and send out special mailing to promote program. Anne will pick up raffle gift. Allan will handle raffle.

Other programs:

Ft. Dietrick - needs to be planned three months out.
FBI: three months out

Club house as location for first two meetings in 2017.

Lower prices for meals at Homewood may encourage more people to attend meetings.

New Business

Future of Civic Association

What is the Civic Association for? It used to be an advocacy group. Initially it was the voice of residents outside of the Conservancy structure. Is it still viable? Three board members are resigning at the end of this year: Allan Carlson, Bob Wehr and Ann Arnold. Who is available to take over?

Is the Civic Association still needed? Conservancy now does much of the work that the Association initiated. Should the Civic Association be dissolved?

Ron will write a statement, giving perspective on Civic Association, asking membership about the future of the Association.

May First Friday had to be cancelled. Not a lot of people seem to be involved in Worman's Mill at present.

Can we modify role of the Civic Association? Rationale for having the Civic Association present by Ron: this is your voice outside of the Board. We need a voice for homeowners that is separate from the Board. Need goals and projects to get people's attention.

Ann Arnold suggested that the Civic Association take over the role of the inactive Library Committee, which has been to select book and invite speakers. The Civic Association can be transitioned to a speaker group.

Ron thinks it should be an advocacy group. What projects should Civic Association take on?

Ann also suggested that the group should be dormant for a while, but keep it intact on paper, in case someone wants to take it over.