WMCA Board of Director's Meeting, Wed. Jan. 24, 2024, at 7pm

Attending: Allan Carlson, Bob Willson, Diane Derr, Tom Gill, Anne Grantham, Tom Huddleston. Absent: Lisa Boyle

- 1. Agenda -- Approved
- 2. Minutes of Jan. 10, 2024 Bd. meeting -- lApproved
- 3. Brief discussion about the WMCA hosting one of the fall 2024 First Friday social events. Decided/Agreed that the Civic Association would host the October 2024 event, as the "welcome back". after the summer break of First Fridays.
- 4. Treasurer -- Membership, Bob Willson --- No new expenses. Bank Balance \$1,486.99. No new members.
- 5. Changes to the dates of the Nov. and Dec. Board meetings, because of Thanksgiving and Christmas dates. New dates for Bd meetings --- Wed. Nov. 20, and Wed. Dec 18.
- 6. Web site discussion: Postponed to later date when Lisa B. will have more information and recommendations.
- 7. Re. Programs -- Allan mentioned we start to "co host" recording our speakers programs, for better clarity for in person and Zoom presentations. Anne G. volunteered to use her I Pad, and will start with the March '24 program.

## 8. Programs:

County Exec. Jessica Fitzwater's program was very good and well received...good questions from listeners, and well attended -- 29 plus on Zoom.

March 20, Wed. Public transit in Frederick -- all Ok, Per Lisa B.

May 22, Wed. The Great Frederick Fair, since 1822. All Ok. Karen Nichlas, speaker. In Club House program --- to feature History of Fair, Young people in farming, creative activities, farm animals, and 4 H activities.

Sept. 18 Wed. Frederick Health, "State Farm" campus, Still Ok, but, expect a change in leadership in July at Fred. Health aux. Will be a power point presentation, most likely by Harriet Brown and Robin Rose. They will speak to what has been done at the hospital and plans for the future.

Nov 21, Thur. Internet security, Ok, In person and hybrid.

9. Brief discussion of possible 2025 Program Topics:

Fort Detrick --- Tom Gill working on this, and will go direct to the Post commander for answers.

Fire and Rescue, house nr, 29 at Thomas Johnson. Up in the air!! Lisa B still working on this.

Frederick Airport, Frederick City. --- Tom Gill to contact the city govt.

Wills 101 -- Speaker Mary Rolle, Registrar of Wills, Frederick City. Very enthusiastic.

Civil War battles in our area. Allan to contact his author friend.

Climate Change --- Karen Russell, speaker. Hot topic, could be very interesting.

- 10. Tom Gill agreed to be a nominating committee for President and Secretary of the WMCA Board, as tenure is coming to an end. Also search for one new board member.
- 11. Question ??? WMCA Dinner / program.... can they be re-started, and where.?? Something to think about.!!
- 12. The WMCA Board reluctantly accepted the resignation of Diane Derr from her position on the Board of Directors. Diane's contributions to the WMCA over many years has been tremendous and exceedingly helpful. Her dedication and energy will be missed. Thank you Diane, and safe travels and good health.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12pm. Minutes submitted by Tom Huddleston, WMCA, Secry.