

NHCA, Inc. Community Meeting Agenda and Minutes – Jan. 10, 2008

Location: First Baptist Church -- 7 PM
Attendees: New Hill Community and friends of New Hill

Committee reports and status of activities

- Financial Report (Dan Brubaker)
 - Update – recapped 2007 fundraiser accomplishments. Thanks to all fundraiser leaders!!!

Old Business

- Donations / Fundraisers
 - Bulb Sale -- Kate Hanser project lead catalog. Are all bulbs delivered and are any left?
 - Note cards -- Anne King project lead. Packages of 6 note cards can be ordered for \$5 (color or B&W) or \$1 per note card. Does anyone know of a small business in Apex that would be willing to sell our cards?
 - New Hill Oral History book – Judy Tysmans and Paul Barth still need to finalize licensing and then should be ready for sale on Lulu. Judy has been recovering from surgery.
 - NHCA participated in this year's Christmas Day Parade in Friendship on Dec. 1. We had a great showing. We made front page of Apex Herald. Pictures are posted on our website (newhillca.org)
- Updated NHCA email distribution list. Only NHCA members will receive emails.

New and Future Business

- USACE
 - Sewage Plant has now been delayed 19 months! WWP date has slipped from Jan. 2011 to Jan 2012 and at this week Apex Land Use meetings it was stated that date is now projected to be 2013!!!
 - Project meeting (PDT) held Nov. 29. Key items discussed:
 - Reviewed response to our comments from previous meeting.
 - Focus of meeting was alternative site selection review
 - Recommendation is to keep sites, 19, 21/23 and 30. Also, maybe site 17
 - These sites would go to detail review
 - NHCA agreed with the list
 - ACE working with PE on sites located on PE property
 - ACE looking into possible use of some of the treated water being used in Harris instead of pumping water from Cape Fear to Harris during water storages
 - ACE trying to get confirmation on lake level if (2) new reactors are added to the plant. Is it 240 feet or 260 feet?
 - We requested a change to the road criteria (metric) from "major highway or interstate" to "weight capabilities".
 - Requested that some of the information used during initial and intermediate screening of alternative sites to be updated with more detail info. This was agreed to
 - Requested that Holly Springs pipeline costs be included in total piping costs
 - ACE still not ready to discuss our EJ issue. ACE will advise when this will happen
 - Requested permission to participate in alternative site on sight surveys. After several emails, we did not receive approval
 - ACE briefly reviewed draft NEPA EIS outline
 - ACE asked for comments on current documents being reviewed. We responded
 - Chatham County still stating that piping will not be allowed in Chatham County without meeting their requirements – 50% sewer allocation and no annexation into Chatham
 - Next PDT meeting is scheduled for Jan. 31, 10 AM to 2 PM at Apex Town Hall.
 - Will discuss comments regarding the 2 to 5 alternative sites
 - Next steps:
 - Confirm sites
 - Select WRF location and piping routes
 - Apex Land Use meeting
 - Attending advisory committee and community meetings
 - Consultants trying to mirror SW Wake Land Use Plan
 - Would like to make New Hill – Olive Chapel a scenic byway and keep as 2 lanes
 - Stated sewage plant moved out to 2013. Apex sewage capacity is really hurting!!!
- Discussed acquiring a sign for NHCA to post announcements to community. Sign would have reusable signage. Suggestion made to look into various proposals with costs. Paul Barth to handle.
- Next Community Meeting
 - Tentatively scheduled for Feb. 21 at 7 PM – New Hill Baptist Church

Open Forum

- Question – what is the NC law that Chatham refers to that prevents a Wake township from taking Chatham land? Paul Barth will try to find out which law Chatham County Commissioners are referring to.
- Girl Scout cookie orders were made available to attendees.
- Paul Barth and possibly others will attend a Public Forum on Monday, Jan. 14 at 7 PM at Community Recreation Center (behind Middle Creek HS) in Cary. Meeting is for residents near the South Cary Sewage Plant to voice their concerns with the smell coming from the facility.
- Mentioned that Pittsboro is supposed to be receiving a donation of \$75M from Goodnight (SAS CEO and land developer) to help Pittsboro expand their sewage plant. Current plant is at capacity and is preventing development!
- Discussed Apex water/electric utility lines coming in New Hill. Residents believe they should be underground especially where utilities cross New Hill Historic District.
- Suggestion made by Rev. Clanton that we should have a list of demands ready for WWP once a location is approved and finalized. Paul Barth stated that a list has been started but additional demands can be added to the list.

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