

NHCA, Inc. Community Meeting Agenda and Minutes – November 9, 2006

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

Committee's reports and status of activities

- Treasurer (Dan Brubaker)
 - Financial report – received \$5000 anonymous donation! Legal debt can be retired!!!
- Legal (Lisa Dahlquist)
 - Newhillinc website up and running. Not affiliated with NHCA or NHCC
- Publicity (Tonya Forbes)
 - No new news
- Environment (Larry Elmore)
 - No new news
- Historic (Judy Tysmans / Mimi Kelly)
 - Update on Oral History book – new book being completed. Target early 2007

Old Business

- Community Meetings
 - No meeting planned for December. Next meeting tentatively scheduled for Jan. 11 – New Hill Baptist Church
- Membership Drive / Committee Sign-up
 - Sign-up tonight – See Sue Barth
- Donations / Fundraisers
 - Flower Bulb fundraiser – Kate Hanser project lead. Bulbs are still available for delivery at Kate's home
 - Note cards – Anne King project lead. Will need to give credit for any pictures or artwork used
- WWP response to DENR Oct. 2 letter
 - WWP are hiring a consultant to put together response to DENR regarding (3) outstanding DENR issues
 - Public input, Environmental Justice, and Site Selection
 - Method WWP wants to use for public input is two fold. First, they intend on doing a door to door survey with people within a half mile radius and then one mile radius. NHCA Board will be working on how to inform and prepare residents for the interview. Once data is obtained from initial public input survey, WWP expects to do a public meeting with the community
- Paul Barth received letters from Dave Cooke (Wake County Manager) responding to his email requesting Commissioners to do several things to support New Hill. Basically, the response said that Commissioners were involved until project turned over to Cary. No help forthcoming.
- Paul Barth received letter from Kim Fisher responding to his email regarding Draft vs. Final response to DENR on Sept 9. Fisher stated that it was known that the document was a formal submission. There was also another issue in the letter which will be responded to by Paul.
- Army Corps of Engineer
 - Public hearing has not yet been scheduled.
- Still thinking about possible New Hill, Friendship, and Bonsal Christmas Parade. Paul Barth will contact Larry Sears (Friendship) to see if New Hill can join Friendship parade. Paul Barth has a good chance of acquiring use of a fire truck for the parade!
- New Hill Slogan contest. Mimi Kelly is posting candidates to our web site. Cutoff date for submissions is 12/31/2006. Board will narrow down to 5 finalists and then community will vote for a winner!
- Update from Vickie Gardner on creating a New Hill cookbook that can be used as a fundraiser. Vickie is project lead. Suggested mailing recipes to Vickie or NHCA (P.O Box 68). Vickie is still working. Vickie would like to have a finished product by Mother's Day - 2007
- NHCA eNewsletter is still on back burner.

New and Future Business

- Guy Meilleur is working with Cathy Heath on a beautification design for the New Hill Exits. Once design is approved, Guy will schedule a workday to help with the project. Guy sent an email out Nov 8 with more specifics. Need to know who pays for plants. Should we involve Progress Energy? Maybe contact Marty Clayton

Open Forum

- Need to send Bill Ott current NHCA membership listing so he can create NHCA email distribution list
- Discussion on planned WWP door-to-door survey. Will use in formal response to DENR and WWP
 - Does open meeting laws apply?
 - Is there an appointment schedule and content available?
 - Has this method been used before?
 - NHCA represents community. Don't need door-to-door survey
 - Purpose not to gather data before making a decision on options
 - Individuals will feel intimidated and an invasion of privacy
 - Private meeting with community is not a public meeting
 - Restate that the train has already left the station
- Rev. Clanton will do a NHCA membership drive upcoming Sunday. Forms also at Jack's convenient store in New Hill
- Should NHCA have an attorney available for questions and guidance on issues facing community? Asked for candidates that Board can interview

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