

Capitol View-Stift Station Neighborhood Association Meeting
March 12, 2007
2715 W. 7th Street – 7:00 p.m.

Minutes

Kathleen called the meeting to order:

- 1) Becky Kilmer opened the meeting with a visioning exercise focused on what we like about the neighborhood and where we would like to see it in five years. Issues that surfaced during the exercise were: former pride in the neighborhood, the need for better and more frequent bus service, the desire for modified co-housing, the issue of increased alley usage, and the desire for increased safety and security.
- 2) Cindy Brown from Johnson Street was on hand to answer questions and address concerns centered around converting her garage into an apartment.
- 3) The guest speaker for the meeting was Sheila Reynolds, Code Enforcement Supervisor for the City of Little Rock. She addressed the group about recent activities in code enforcement, what the office does, and recent changes that help them get things done quicker and easier, such as the “cut for cash” program.
 - a. The office has hired two people to board up properties and remove graffiti.
 - b. The 311 system has been installed to more easily direct city calls to the correct department and also give out neighborhood information to new residents.
 - c. A Homeless Coordinator has been hired and they have visited camps to try and get a log of who the homeless are and where they are. In addition, they are trying to get help for them (i.e., medical attention, ID cards, etc.)
- 4) Kathleen gave the Treasurer’s report in Evelyn’s absence:
 - a. \$20.00 was added to the main account bringing the total to \$2361.53.
 - b. The public safety account remained unchanged at \$913.78.
- 5) Kathleen reported on the status of the historic district ordinance. Addresses of property owners are still being collected so that information can be sent to them. However, a person is needed to head up the entire effort in order to have it go smoothly.
- 6) Kathleen reported on the signs at the School for the Deaf and the fact that they will be putting up a fence to keep people out. The rationale is the students’ safety. Kathleen will see if a school representative can come to the next meeting to start a dialogue about the issue.

- 7) Kathleen also reported on the fact that Officer Winfrey is out for 4-6 weeks because of surgery and that there has been an increase in break-ins in the neighborhood.
- 8) Finally, Kathleen reported on the upcoming events:
 - a. Neighborhood Clean-up on March 17th.
 - b. Downtown Patrol Quarterly Meeting on March 22nd at 6:30 p.m. at the Hinton Resource Center.
 - c. Sidewalk replacement program deadline as near the beginning of April.

The meeting was adjourned.