

**Capitol View - Stiff Station Neighborhood Association Meeting**

**August 9, 2010**

**2715 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Street – 7:00 p.m.**

**Minutes**

**Introductions:**

Cara Chapman called the meeting to order. 30 people were in attendance

Cara thanked volunteers who helped with National Night Out, August 3, and announced that there were 150 people who attended the event.

There was discussion about requesting that the state petition the NATW to change the date of National Night Out to the first Tuesday in October, when TX does theirs.

The minutes of the July 12 neighborhood association meeting were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- a. Sophie Mitchell reported that there was \$3,600.29 in the general balance.
- b. There were some donations obtained at National Night Out and 4 new residential members.
- c. Cara noted that as a result of NNO, the NA obtained two new residential members and 1 new business member.

**CVSSNA Logo Discussion:**

Cara Chapman opened a discussion on the new Capitol View - Stiff Station logo to be used on letterhead and in material for welcome baskets.

She passed out examples of the choices for comments from attendees to be sent back to design students at UALR. There are two students working on the designs; one of them actually lives in the neighborhood.

Several options were discussed then written comments were passed back to Cara.

**Alert Center Report:**

- a. Kathleen Countryman discussed the fact that other alert centers in Little Rock have new COPP officers while CVSSNA has not received one even though one was promised to the neighborhood awhile back. It was suggested by Sergeant Snook that the neighborhood send a letter to the chief of police but the NA is unsure as to whether the previous president did this or not.
- b. Regarding graffiti problems in the neighborhood: Kathleen said residents are asked to call the police about graffiti and ask for a report so the police will know where to send patrols. Steve Chapman and the Public Safety Committee are working in cooperation with Capt. Bewley, commander of the Downtown patrol division. Residents are asked to contact Steve or other members of the Public Safety Committee. They will submit photographs of the graffiti to Capt. Bewley for investigation. If the graffiti is on public or utility property and is of manageable size, the Public Safety Committee will paint over it. If it is on private property, it is the property owner's responsibility. Members of

Public Safety committee may be called for assistance, and might be able to help property owners to paint over graffiti.

- c. Kathleen said that National Night Out funds that the Alert Center received were spent in Capitol View - Stiff Station but in the future the funds would need to be split with other neighborhoods that the Alert Center serves that have recently decided to hold a NNO event.
- d. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 13901 Quail Run, Otter Creek, will be holding an Emergency Preparedness Fair September 11, 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Information on safety, dealing with emergencies and disasters will be available at this free fair.

### **Public Safety Committee Report:**

- a. Steve Chapman thanked volunteers who worked the Public Safety booth at the National Night Out event.
- b. The Home Safety Survey from Officer Michelle Hill of the Little Rock Police Department is still available. A drawing for neighbors who entered the National Night Out contest for a \$100.00 Home Depot gift certificate was cancelled until the August 9 meeting. Lori Berry won the gift certificate.
- c. The third Tuesday of each month is Public Safety Committee meeting night at the Alert Center at 6:30 PM and volunteers are needed for Citizens on Patrol.

### **Hospitality Committee Report:**

- a. Katie Walden thanked residents for bake sale donations at National Night Out.
- b. She thanked Nancy and Lori for providing refreshments for the neighborhood meeting.
- c. Katie announced the need for more volunteers to provide and pass out welcome baskets.

### **Upcoming Events and New Business:**

- a. Cara Chapman announced that the Capitol View and Stiff Station block party committees needed volunteers. The Stiff Station party will be at Billy Mitchell Boys Club on September 18 and the Capitol View party will be held on Fountain Street, October 2.
- b. The next Good Neighbor Night dinner will be held at Olde World Pizza on Markham but no date has been fixed.
- c. The last Good Neighbor Night dinner at White Water Tavern brought in \$80.00 for the association.
- d. The Beez Kneez concession trailer will be setting up at Jett's Gas and Service Station, 3101 W. Markham on weekdays after 6:00 PM. They are currently setting up in the parking lot east of the White Water Tavern.

- e. Riley Hope announced that she was selling flower bulbs as a fundraiser for her school, E-Stem.

**Candidate Introductions:**

Potential candidates for the November election introduced themselves and brought petitions to be included on the ballot:

Carolyn Anne Smith for State Representative, District 34

Robert Webb for City Board of Directors, Ward 1

James Dillon for City Board of Directors, Ward 3

Cara announced that an official vote on the new CVSSNA logo will be held at the next neighborhood association meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.