

**Fairlington Citizens Association
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Fairlington Community Center
3308 S Stafford St
April 10th, 2019**

Board Members Present

- Guy Land
- Lindsay Willmann
- Ed Hilz
- Rebecca Sayres
- Jenn Davies Beck
- Sara Tuke Carr

Board Members Absent

- Kent Duffy
- Chris Weathers
- Samuel Wolbert

Quorum Present?

- Yes

Residents or other Attendees Present?

- Yes

7:00-7:45PM

Special Presentation: Arlington County Police Department (ACPD), Captain Wayne Vincent, Officer Michael Keen, Officer Steve Wallace, ACPD Homeland Security Detective Campbell, FBI Special Agent Lindsay Coulter

- The Arlington County Police Department (ACPD) reorganized about a year ago from a “district system” to a “north and south team”.
- The ACPD reorganization permits more community engagement and involvement with civic associations.
- Fairlington community crime statistics going back to January 1st 2019 are very low, in the single digits or at zero; there are some instances of fraud primarily connected to tax season (no statistics provided), car break-ins/stolen valuables (most cars are unlocked, 8 total since 1/1/2019).
- ACPD no longer investigates isolated car break-ins, citizens can file a report online.
- White nationalist propaganda reported in Fairlington was also found in other jurisdictions: Alexandria, Vienna.
- There are 1st Amendment considerations in terms of what kind of legal response can be imposed for distributing propaganda.
- Report individuals posting stickers of white nationalist propaganda to the non-emergency Arlington County police line.
- Patriot Front, a white nationalist organization, is the group behind the stickers posted in Fairlington. They are located throughout the United States.

- Two individuals were arrested and cited in Vienna for posting Patriot Front stickers.
- Hate crimes are responded to in a collaborative effort between local, state, and federal authorities.
- Q&A session with the community regarding white nationalist activity and the recent auto theft incidents.

7:50-8:30PM

Special Presentation: Jesse Maines, Division Chief, City of Alexandria, Virginia, Transportation and Environmental Services, Stormwater Management

- As part of the Clean Water Act and Chesapeake Bay Cleanup, the City takes watershed management steps to mitigate pollutants entering local streams and waterways.
- Alexandria City is approximately 10,000 acres, roughly a quarter of it needs to be treated with new facilities or retrofit for stormwater management.
- The City came up with the Chesapeake Bay Action Plan to address areas that need treatment. The plan focuses on green infrastructure: wet ponds, urban stream restoration, and natural hydrology, retrofitting or placing storm water on city properties.
- Lake Cook off Eisenhower Ave is a recently completed stormwater management retrofit project. It was retrofit from a fishing pond to a stormwater wet pond. The lake is now part of a larger city park which has brought back wildlife and is now frequently visited.
- Urban stream restorations have been completed by the city including the Strawberry Run Restoration. The City is evaluating options to reduce concrete and debris in other urban streams including Four Mile Run.
- The City has retrofitted green infrastructure in medians and sidewalk bio-retentions to filter stormwater. This is one option the City is looking at for King Street stormwater.
- The City has to measure public safety concerns and functionality as part of its analysis to treat stormwater.
- The City prefers to implement retrofits as part of a bigger project (ex: existing roadway construction) than a standalone project which could be more costly.
- King Street was identified as a prioritization for stormwater infrastructure; however, studies need to be completed and there is no definitive “yay or nay” for a project at this time.
- Q&A session with the community regarding stormwater concerns.

Call to Order

- The Executive Board meeting was called to order by President Guy Land at 8:30 PM.

Approval of Agenda

- There was unanimous consent to approve the agenda (with adjustments as needed) distributed by Guy Land by email and hard copy.

Approval of Minutes

- There was unanimous consent to approve the minutes of the March meeting, distributed by email prior to April 10th.

Officer Reports

- President
 - No report

- Vice President
 - No report
- Treasurer
 - Treasurer's report was distributed by email. The treasurer has notified the accountant to correct the "Total Income" line on the P&L.
- Secretary
 - No report

Unfinished Business

- Fairlington 5k
 - Jennifer Davies reported that the race route has been approved by the county and \$13,000 was raised at the silent auction.
- Fairlington Playground Ribbon Cutting
 - Jennifer Davies motioned the board to confirm a discretionary budget of \$250 for Great Harvest and other incidentals as needed for the ribbon cutting ceremony, motion unanimously approved.
 - Laura Barragan will include the Fairlington Park Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on the county's website for 2019 Neighborhood Day events.
- Family Movie Night
 - Lindsay Willmann confirmed Moana will be the featured movie and will test the power source at the FCC prior to the event.
- Fairlington ornament sales
 - Rebecca Sayres will obtain and distribute to the board quotes from Howe House Limited Editions for an ornament reorder.
- T-Shirt Order
 - Lindsay Willman motioned the board to confirm the t-shirts will be sold at \$20 per shirt, motion unanimously approved.
 - Board to consider making t-shirts available to purchase online then be picked-up at monthly FCA meetings.

New Business

- Fairlington Farmers Market Sponsorship
 - Guy Land motioned a \$1,000 sponsorship to the Fairlington Farmer's Market from the FCA, motion unanimously approved.
- Silver Diner Permit
 - Guy Land motioned the board to support the Silver Diner's application for permitting which will be before the Alexandria Planning Commission then Alexandria City Council, motion unanimously approved.
- Senait Sium/Bella Café and Lounge Permit

- Guy Land motioned the board to take no position on the hookah café permitting, motion unanimously approved.
- 4th of July Parade
 - Guy Land reported that the food truck will be an additional \$350 dollars this year, there will be no doughnut truck at the event, and anticipates the FCA's total contribution to be roughly \$1,600.
- Survey Monkey Service for Fairlington Condo Associations
 - Guy Land proposed offering Survey Monkey as an FCA service to Fairlington condo associations, board to consider.
- Developer Contribution
 - Guy Land reported that the developer contribution is in process with the county. County staff are aware and seeking project suggestions to utilize the funds for. It was noted that the funds can go to neighborhood conservation projects and not just traffic calming measures.
- Facebook Administration/Survey Results
 - Both items have been deferred in Kent Duffy's absence.

Adjournment

- President Land motioned to adjourn at 9:00pm, which was unanimously approved

Submitted by Rebecca Sayres, Board Secretary