Hiltonia Association General Meeting Minutes

November 7, 2018 7:00 PM Home of Carol and Sam Boorse

Meeting was called to order by Lily Knezevich. There were approximately 30 residents in attendance.

1) Minutes: Minutes from the September 11, 2018 meeting were approved by voice vote.

2) Treasurer's Report: Lily presented on behalf of Jim Ambrosio. As of October 31, the Association checking account balance was \$2,591.00. The house tour savings account had \$2,747.78, and the Certificate of Deposit had \$5,252,09, for a grand total of \$10,590.87.

3) Committee Reports (oral reports)

A. *Civic:* Paulette Ayres reported that a neighbor complained about being bothered by a female vagrant. Jeannie Weakliem reported that she received a cell phone number from Jason Woodard, our neighborhood officer, to call about ATVs being driven in the street.

B. Publicity: Linda Reid reported she has gotten some new volunteers to distribute copies of *The Hilltone*.

C. Membership: Vacant

D. Social: Children's: Kathleen Coughlin--no report

E. *Hospitality*: Georgia Wallar continues to welcome volunteer hosts for meetings, First Friday Flamingo get togethers and neighborhood parties.

F. *Worthy Projects:* Maureen and Jacques Lebel: matching fundraisers for Passage Theater and The Children's Chorus were continuing. Lily said she'd send out an additional email reminding residents, with a deadline of December 15 for contributions. Lily noted with the matching contributions, we could raise as much as \$500 for each organization.

G. *Communications*: Kathi Eckert reported that she was hoping to have an issue of *The Hilltone* out in December. She continues to work on creating a new and improved Association website.

4) Unfinished Business

A. Hiltonia 100th Anniversary: Dennis Wendell and Terri O'Prey are working on a book to coincide with the neighborhood's 100th anniversary. Terri is asking that anyone who can contribute to the history to contact her and Dennis. They would welcome anyone who would like to volunteer on the project. Linda Reid added that there may be information at City Hall that would be useful. It might require volunteers to take photos of documents.

B. Continuing the discussion of how to best work effectively with City Hall, West Ward Council Member Robin Vaughn addressed the meeting. Ms. Vaughn urged residents to call City Hall

with concerns and complaints. If you are not satisfied, call your neighborhood councilperson
or any councilperson for assistance, especially councilpersons at large. Ms. Vaughn provided
an extensive list of Trenton contact numbers and email addresses, noting that residents,
"Should feel free to call these people directly." Ms. Vaughn said there are vacancies on a
number of boards and that anyone who would like to volunteer should contact the city clerk
and submit a resume. She said she plans to hold monthly town hall meetings at Covenant
Presbyterian Church for the 16 neighborhoods in the West Ward.

New Business:

Report from the Nominating Committee: Linda Reid presented the proposed slate of officers for the upcoming January election: Co-Presidents: Terri O'Prey and Dennis Wendell First Vice President: Jeannie Weakliem Second Vice President: Treasurer: Barry Giordano Recording Secretary: Margaret Mason Corresponding Secretary: Chrystal Miles

Mike Ranallo received a floor nomination for president from John Lamb.

Next General Meeting: <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>January 8</u>, <u>11 Buckingham Avenue</u>, home of Janet and Paul Perez

Upcoming Hiltonia and related events:

November 8, December 13: TCCA General Meeting, 7 p.m. Thomas Edison College, 111 West State Street

November 15, December 20: City Council Public Meeting, 5:30 p.m., City Hall January 26: Hiltonia Holiday Party, January 26. Home of Joanne Rounsaville and Barry Giordano, 123 Renfrew.

Additional Information