



Board Meeting Minutes – April 9, 2014

Attendees: Stu Kohn, Howard Johnson, Brian England, Jacquie Sentell, Russ Swatek, Paul Verchinski, JD Smith, Ros Williams

The meeting opened shortly after 7PM.

1. The minutes from the March meeting will be presented at the next board meeting.
2. J.D. Smith presented the Treasurer's report and it was approved.
3. Brian and JD presented a status update on the Newtown Zoning Project. They are working on coming up with a recommendation for an entity that would handle the non-county aspects of zoning w/plans for finalizing the report in the next month.
4. Membership renewals are going well.
5. The League of Women Voters candidate's forum went well. Stu Kohn & Ros Williams helped moderate.
6. The Board of Directors Candidates for the 2014/2015 year:
 - President – Stu Kohn
 - Vice President – Jacquie Sentell
 - Treasurer – JD Smith
 - Secretary - - Ros Williams
 - At Large – Howard Johnson
 - At Large – Paul Verchinski
 - At Large – Brian England
7. The Town Hall meeting went well. Several board members received positive feedback. However, a few citizens were anticipating being able to ask questions of School Board, County Council and County Executive as well as county officials. Final details for the candidates forum were ironed out w/specific responsibilities outlined.
 - Format: Questions will be written on cards. Participants will have 1 minute to respond. Questions will include a follow-up question from the April 1 forum. A time keeper will be on hand to remind candidates that the time is nearing an end.
 - Ledos pizza will be served.
8. As a non-partisan organization, we will not post political announcements on the listserv.
9. We will post the link to track campaign finance on the website & listserv.

10. Paul Verchinski gave a report on the recommendations coming out of the Senior Advisory Committee. They will be prioritizing & presenting recommendations to the CA.

11. Paul Verchinski attended a public hearing to review the Plan of Action for the Housing. When he arrived there was no one else there, and in fact no space had been designated for the meeting. It was apparent that the posting was just to meet requirements and that no actual meeting had been planned as the department anticipated no public response. The secretary in the office was unaware of the meeting. Paul was eventually able to meet with someone in the office.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:38PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ros Williams - Secretary