

North Hills Civic Association
Minutes of the Annual Meeting held at Rockwood Mansion
April 20, 2017

President Mary Anne Korant opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and introduced officers and board members. 13 residents signed the attendance list.

Minutes of the April 20, 2016 meeting were approved with corrections.

Treasurer Maureen Bower reported that the Association had a bank account ending balance of \$20,908.73. Dues collected 2017 were \$3105.00 The Association paid \$775.00 for snow removal and DelDOT reimbursement covered \$581.25. The banking summary was reviewed by Lisa Johnston for the fiscal year ending 3/31/2017.

President Korant thanked everyone who helped with the association's work during the past year, including the six volunteer block captains and board members, who are Maureen Bowser (treasurer), John Stevenson (secretary), Teri Lovell (vice president), and trustees Kate Anderson, RuthAnn Christophersen, Marilyn Green, Gigi Kelleher, and Cathy Lovell. She also recognized Patrick McMaster, a new neighbor and first time annual meeting attendee.

As a volunteer organization, nominations were taken from the floor for elected offices. The members elected these officers and trustees for the 2017-2019 term:

Vice President, Teri Lovell
Treasurer, Maureen Bowser
Trustees, Gigi Kelleher, Cathy Lovell

Community Issues

Plowing. After hearing the Board's recommendations, residents voted to continue the household dues those on plowed streets to replenish the plowing funds at \$35 and for households on streets plowed by the State at \$8.

Social events. NHCA spent \$172 to sponsor a hay ride at Bellevue State Park, which was lots of fun but not well attended. NHCA helps support social events organized by residents and promotes awareness of local events, such as the Mt. Pleasant High School homecoming parade in the fall through email and flyers if deemed necessary. Residents may solicit volunteers to help through the NHCA email news list. The easiest way to be added to the email list is for a resident to email nhca19809@gmail.com with name, address and contact information requesting to be added to the list.

Speeding. Peggy Alderson noted speeding on streets. Discussion followed that the desirability of reporting speeding to enhance enforcement. Enhanced enforcement was seen as preferable to installing speed bumps, which increase the cost of snow removal.

Garbage collection. Bob Simpson noted multiple trash haulers working his street and suggested organizing as a community to receive a discount while reducing the number of trucks. He gathered names of residents and haulers at the meeting.

Public transit. Maureen Bowser noted that as of May 21st, DART bus 11 is scheduled to move to Carr Road from Washington Street Extension. Mary Anne Korant will call our

elected state representatives (Potter, Heffernan) and Senator McDowell to express concerns.

Friends of Rockwood. It was announced that a new organization, the Rockwood Park Preservation Society (successor to the Friends of Rockwood), is working to help New Castle County maintain the park's grounds. Two motions from the floor, for the North Hills Civic Association to donate \$100 to the Friends of Rockwood and the Friends of Bellvue State Park, passed by affirmation.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.