

Westmore Citizen's Association meeting - May 18, 2021

The Westmore Citizen's Association meeting was called to order at 7:35pm via Zoom, with 15 community members present; including board members President Beth Iannetta, Treasurer Cheryl Dickerson, and Secretary Frank Franz. City Councilman Tom Ross also joined us this month

Old Business:

- The Perryman's have moved after 40 years in our neighborhood, leaving the Association with minutes and newsletters from many, many years. Thanks to Gary and Robin Perryman!
- The Presbyterian Church housing development (10 houses of affordable housing)
 - Community members Ed DeMasters and Douglas Stewart asked to address the meeting about the proposed development.
 - The church is asking for a waiver to move the property line running parallel to the Autumn Woods neighborhood.
 - There are plans to build a road next to the mixed use trail, which will bring up issues such as headlights and noise impacting the homes on the other side of the path.
 - Current plans are for a 38 space parking lot in the back of the church.
 - There are questions as to why the church needs more parking when there seems to be enough parking on the property already.
 - The church is not requesting a sidewalk for Presbyterian Way even though this would allow the new residents a safer travel route from the church property to Main Street.
 - Tax revenue for the land under the homes would not be taxed due to being on church property.
 - There will be a virtual meeting specific to the Presbyterian Church housing development. with the developer's representatives on May 26th at 7:30PM.
- The Old Westmore School site
 - The Association would like to send a request to the city council to officially designate The Old Westmore School site as a park.
 - By doing this, the land would be greatly protected from future development.
- The Walmart parking lot
 - Traffic entering and exiting is still an issue.
 - People are now showing up with musical instruments while begging for money
 - Councilman Ross suggested that information be shared with the Fairfax City staff to inform them of the situation.
- Treasurer's Report: Current balance \$3105.81

New Business:

- A community member asked if there was any information on electrical lines on Poplar Street going underground in the future.
 - There's no specific date to move forward at this point.

- Construction in our vicinity
 - Jermantown Bridge (this may create noise at night)
 - Berry Street Trail (between the Old Westmore School and Rust Road)
- Tall overgrown grass should be cut.
 - Tall grass invites unwanted critters.
 - Please reach out to the neighborhood if you need help cutting your grass.

The next Westmore Citizen's Association meeting is Tuesday, June 15, 2021.

The meeting adjourned at 9:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Frank Franz
Secretary, Westmore Citizen's Association