

**PARK VIEW CIVIC LEAGUE MEETING MINUTES  
A QUALITY NEIGHBORHOOD**

**June 15, 2009**

**1) Opening comments by President Dan Aston**

7:05 P.M. BTO by Dan Aston. Opening Comments: Mr. Aston made mention of a few speakers to entertain questions from PVCL. He also indicated during our next month's meeting, we will have Ronnie Clements with Portsmouth Planning Dept. who will address our concerns and will entertain questions regarding any changes home owners may wish make. Mr. Aston made a motion for the minutes to be approved. The minutes were approved by Mr. Richard Schwartz and Mr. David Seletyn second.

**2) Update from Officers**

- a) Treasurer report - Helen E. Edge - report was given- \$2,611.46 and approved by Tony Goodwin
- b) Secretary report - Mel Milton – Minutes for May were reviewed and approved by Mr. Schwartz and second by David Seletyn.

**3) Traffic Committee**

Concerns on traffic report by Mindy Skipper that there are a few problems at the intersection of Crawford and Effingham Streets. Stop signs at Sprately and Linden seem to be working. Also, please feel free to e-mail Mindy regarding any information on traffic issues in Historic Park View. Eighteen-wheelers continue to be a problem in our neighborhood.

**4) Members Chair Report**

Gary Van Tassel – Neighborhood Watch concerning some activity at Bay and Webster.

Tony Goodwin - Vice President Report – Fourth of July Celebration would be feasible, but we are a bit late to move forward. The dumpsters were positioned in our neighborhood. The Downtown Loop has changed its route, i. e. Portsmouth Naval Medical Center, Leckie and Hatton Streets are no longer DnTnLoop stops.

**5) Public Speaker: Officer Bill Watson – Portsmouth Sheriff**

Mr. Watson thanked the PVCL for the support that was given during the Democratic Primary. He also made mention that he wishes to make available inmates who are capable to assist senior citizens, i.e. lawn care. He will go directly through the civic league to assist those seniors in need.

## **6) Update from Officer Scott Huneycutt – NEAT Officer**

Officer Huneycutt continues to work in our neighborhood. In Mr. Huneycutt's absence, Captian Sean Dunn and other officers will entertain questions and concerns that PVCL members may have. Curfew 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Officer Huneycutt works the Olde Towne District as well as West Park View. He indicated that kids need recreation and/or some form of outlet with schools closing soon. Officer Huneycutt gave a report that Park View community is pretty tranquil. Overall, our community is very safe and peaceful and he would be patrolling the area in disguise. Contact number is: 757-235-5669.

## **7) Fred Brusso – Portsmouth Planning Department – Special Project Administrator**

Mr. Brusso gave an overview of the programs and regulations and several policies that were made. He pointed out that Portsmouth has embarked on changing its image. In essence, it is not the old way of doing business in reference to zoning. There has been a great deal of public input and support. He recommended checking out the Portsmouth Website. Destination Portsmouth, and review sections of The Master Transportation Plan, which will be held on the fourth floor of DSS building on Monday, June 22, 2009 and Wednesday, June 17, 2009 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers. There will be a report on The Downtown Waterfront Plan. There will be a meeting at Third Baptist Church - 461 Goodwin St. on Thursday, June 25, 2009 6:30-8:30 p.m.

## **8) New Business**

A. Signage for Park View in the neighborhood: A Welcome to Park View Community sign is in the working stages. Signage information will be e-mailed to Park View Civic League members.

B. Circa Signage for Individual Homes – Mr. Aston distributed literature pertaining to the SignMedia Inc.

C. Mrs. Mindy Skipper made mention to work on National Night Out during the month of August and was second by Mr. Richard Schwartz.

## **9) Adjournment: 8:05 p.m.**

Our website is in the making and will be an informative tool for newcomers as well as our present residents. This will be a wonderful working and productive tool for increasing our website usage. The site is: [www.ParkViewCivicLeague.org](http://www.ParkViewCivicLeague.org).

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**Respectfully Submitted,**

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*Next meeting is scheduled for July 20, 2009*