



CLIFTONDALE COMMUNITY MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Monday, September 14, 2009 at 7:00 pm
COMMUNITY CENTER

Meeting called to order by Stanley Knowles, President at 7:05 pm.

Opening Prayer – Harold Reid

Police Report - Officer Hamilton- Crime report given. Statistics given to Jack Liles for posting on web site. Corp. Hamilton indicated that burglaries were up in the community, but burglaries are also up metro wide. He cautioned people to call police and not try to apprehend criminals for our own safety. Rhamilton@FultonPolice.org.

Fire Department – No report.

Code Enforcement – No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership Report- Tommy Seagall -New attendees recognized and welcomed. There were five people. Someone asked the boundaries of Cliftondale which was explained by Harold Reid. Boundaries and more information can be found on website at www.Cliftondale.org.

Zoning – Harold Reid

1. One case – Butner at Tell Road development. Site plan has not been turned in yet. The developer has 30 days to complete.
2. Thanked everyone for coming out to listening session – especially regarding the sewage treatment plant issue.
3. In the new session – possible one item of interest to Cliftondale.
4. Issues in subdivisions regarding code enforcement need to be reported to Fulton County Code Enforcement at 404-612-Tell.

Education – In the absence of Bruce Moody, Stanley Knowles reported on the crossing guard issue at Clifftondale Elementary School. Still if there is need for volunteers those will be requested. Within 2 weeks should have flashing red light at the school location.

When Mr. Moody arrived, he indicated that most principals in Fulton County Schools showed President Obama's speech. The Fulton County School board had made it optional with the principals to decide to show it or not. Langston Hughes High School was supposed to take Creekside overflow but Langston High has opened with 2,000 plus students. Creekside has 1000 students. Clifftondale Elementary School on West Stubbs is doing well. Mr. Moody encouraged everyone to get more involved with the schools whether we have a child in school or not.

Communications - Jack Liles reported that there would be a listening session at Westlake High School at 7 pm on September 16, 2009. Cedar Grove community is also having a listening session on September 22, 2009 at 7 pm at Langston Hughes High School.

Social – Stanley Knowles reported on behalf of Melanie Washburn that postcards would be printed up about the Clifftondale Community Club. He also reported that the plan to put on Fall Festival had to be put on hold until next year due to conflicts with soccer activities at the Clifftondale park where it was going to be held. The social committee will be seeking volunteers to assist with planning for a Fall Festival for next year. There will be a grand opening of a dog park on October 10, 2009 at 10 am at the South Fulton annex area.

Treasury Report- Julie Waschler presented the report for Greg Wachslar- Opening balance \$4,389.10, deposits of \$140.19, withdrawals of \$45.60 for an ending balance \$4,483.69.

Secretary Report- No report.

Vice President – No report.

President's Reports – Stanley Knowles reported on the following:

1. **Board of Directors elections** – Cliff Anderson took over to conduct the election. Due to confusion on the correct names that should be on the ballot, the election was tabled to the next meeting for clarification.
2. **Bridge at Butner and Camp Creek Parkway** – Storm Mitchell reported that there was a proposal to widen the road. Several Clifftondale members attended a meeting held by Fulton County to discuss this issue. There was a concern about traffic and how the configuration proposed would affect traffic. The county agreed to go back to look at this issue. It will take a little over a year once the work begins to complete.

3. **Crossing Guards** – *This issue was addressed in the education report.*
4. **Left Turn sign at Thaxton and Butner** – The problem is people trying to turn left before Thaxton and Butner at the first street at the subdivision. A sign will be put up to indicate no left turn permitted at this area.
5. **Flashing Light at Cliftondale Elementary School.** This was covered under Education.
6. **Tuition for Senior Citizens** – For those 62 or older, Georgia has tuition free public schools and colleges.
7. **Listening Session** – This was covered earlier under Communications. The president also indicated it was an opportunity for Cliftondale to hear and voice their opinion on issues. Encouraged more community participation.
8. **Cedar Grove town hall meeting-** Covered under Communication.
9. **Housing Counsel** – a flyer was handed out regarding housing counseling being offered to assist those who are in financial trouble. The contact number 770-256-8168, pminter@hotmail.com.

Open Floor:

- Commenter indicated that there were not any speed signs at Butner and Broadstone.
- Concern with parking in the neighborhood on the weekends when the soccer games are being played. One suggestion was to get with the park and let them know so that they can address the issue.
- Concern with trash dumping and how long it takes to get someone to deal with the problem.
- Landfill (on Merk Road) closing issue – only open now on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. President is looking into why other landfills are staying open longer.
- Concern about 55+ walking trail on Butner. Looking into this.
- Concern with Substation on 92 and whether they will be planting anymore vegetation.
- Erin Johnson announced that Fulton County Chairman Eaves will be having a listening session along with other department chairs.

President's request: Please ask someone to bring someone to help everyone become more informed.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Next Meeting: October 12, 2009 at 7 pm.

Meeting Minutes by Denice Brue-Clopton, Secretary.