

Crozet Community Meeting (CCA) Minutes

November 12, 2015 at 7:30 PM

The Field School Auditorium

Welcome: Tim Tolson, President of CCA, welcomed 15 members to the meeting.

Agenda Review: No additions

Approval of the CCA's last meeting's minutes (September 10, 2015): Jo Ann Perkins made the motion to approve last month's minutes and Phil Best seconded. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Emery Taylor, Treasurer, sent a report that all expenses have been paid for Independence Day Celebration, leaving in the account \$8450.

Minutes of this meeting by Jo Ann Z. Perkins, Secretary.

Albemarle County Police Department (ACPD) visit and update. (Evening Patrol Division): The police officers were unable to attend the meeting.

A Moment in Crozet History – Phil James spoke on the Railroads in Crozet. Where would Crozet be without railroads? Would there be a Crozet? He traveled through 1876 to present focusing on the changes to the train depot over these years. In 1923, the most modern building around was the Crozet railroad depot. Crozet, from 1877 -1930's, was a "flag" stop station for the daily passenger trains that passed by.

Presentation: *Piedmont Place* – Piedmont Realty Holdings: Drew Holzwarth, Crozet resident, spoke on the new plans for the development. He has to eliminate two 2-bedroom apartments to meet the 40-foot height restriction of the Downtown Crozet District zoning. He spoke on the different businesses that have signed an intent contract to do business at the location. Dirt will soon be moved and going vertical in January. By mid-summer 2016, the project should be opening. This project could be compared to Main Street Market in Charlottesville.

Old Business:

- Crozet Park update - The Dog Park grand opening is December 5!
- Recap of local candidate's forum hosted by CCA October 13. Tim reported that we had 13 candidates to speak and the event was well attended. Tim thanked Heinz ProA/V for donating half the cost of the sound equipment used.
- Ann Mallek sent a report announcing her annual fall Town Meetings: November 16 at Brownsville Elementary School at 7PM, November 17 at 7PM at Broadus Wood Elementary School, and November 21 at 10AM at the White Hall Community Center.
- Discussion on the last meeting's motion that the Downtown Crozet Initiative (DCI) group be a CCA sub-committee to help provide input and guidance on Crozet Downtown development, especially the re-development of Barnes Lumber property and the new central plaza and downtown civic space a reality. There was much discussion about the power of the committee and their direction. Phil Best made the

motion to establish such a committee and Paul Grady seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. A draft copy of the mission and direction of the committee was handed out.

- Background about the DCI may be found at the website:
www.downtowncrozetinitiative.com

- Tim provided an update about the Crozet Avenue North Sidewalk project from the A-Mail news that was sent out on November 11. The Crozet Avenue North sidewalk will be constructed in its entirety from St. George Avenue to the Old Crozet Elementary School. The combined Crozet Avenue North Sidewalk and Pantops Sidewalk project will go out for bid in December 2015, with the goal to start construction in the spring 2016 and complete the project in fall 2016. Contact Frank V. Pohl, Senior Project Manager, Albemarle County Office of Facilities Development by email: fpohl@albemarle.org or by phone: 434-872-4501 (ext. 7914) if you have questions or concerns.

New Business:

- Train noise adverse impacts and proposal - *Jennifer and Hunter Opilla*. Ms. Opilla was unable to attend.
- Election of CCA officers occurs at our next meeting, January 14, 2016. Nominations are open for President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Current officers are: President: Tim Tolson, Vice-President: Lisa Goehler, Secretary: Jo Ann Perkins, and Treasurer: Emery Taylor. Candidates must be present at the January 14 meeting or have spoken with a current officer about their willingness to serve if elected.

Comments or Questions –

Announcements –

- **Crozet Community Orchestra Concert** -Sunday, November 15, 2015 at 4:00 pm at Crozet Baptist Church, 5804 Crozet Avenue, Crozet VA, 22932. For details visit: <http://crozetcommunityorchestra.org/>
- **No Crozet Community Advisory Committee (CCAC) meeting Wed., November 18**
- Adelaide – A new 98 Unit development immediately to the west of Cory Farm is beginning the county re-zoning process. (Kyle Redinger)
- December 6 at 3 PM is the Christmas Parade
- December 6 from 1-5 PM. The Green Olive Tree will have a Christmas Open House.
- Independence Day Celebration will be July 2, 2016.

Future Agenda Items?

The next CCA meeting is January 14, 2016 at 7:30 PM at the Field School
Crozet Community Association Website: <http://CrozetCommunity.org>

The Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Email Address: CrozetCommunity@gmail.com

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This email list is moderated, so you cannot get spam because only approved email messages are sent out. Volume is usually 6-8 emails a month, all related to Crozet & Western Albemarle events and concerns.