

Crozet Community Meeting (CCA) Minutes

January 14, 2016 at 7:30 PM

The Field School Auditorium

Welcome : Tim Tolson, President, welcomed 24 members in attendance. There were no additions to the agenda.

Approval of the CCA's last meeting's minutes (November 12, 2015): Karl Pomeroy made the motion to accept the minutes as is. Emery Taylor seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report (2016 Dues: \$10 annual contribution): Emery Taylor, Treasurer, reported a balance of \$8,451.45 in the account. The fireworks deposit for our July event has not been paid yet. All other bills from the 2015 Crozet Independence Day Celebration have been paid.

These minutes are prepared by Jo Ann Z. Perkins, Secretary.

Albemarle County Police Department (ACPD) visit and update. (Evening Patrol Division) Patrol Officer Maeve O'Neill spoke on the patrol she does in Crozet and how fortunate the community is that it has very few incidents. She said the ACPD currently has 12 officers in training to join the department. The Blue Ridge district is down five officers. Questions asked were: Can we have a workshop about technology scammers to be held at the library? Can we have a sub station here in the Crozet community since we are the largest cluster of population outside the urban ring of Charlottesville? She remarked that she will relay our questions to Captain Jenkins.

A Moment in Crozet History – Phil James spoke on the three depots of the C&O Railroad: Mechums River, Crozet, and Greenwood. Only one, Crozet survived the passage of time. Why? Even though Crozet depot was 25 years younger than the other two, it is still there today. In April 1920, The Woman's Club of Crozet organized with a mission to improve the community living conditions and became well organized in their endeavors. It was community effort and the work of the Woman's Club that made Crozet what it still remains today.

Presentation: Blue Ridge Heritage Project (*Bill Henry, President BRHP, organizer*)

Grassroots effort to honor the sacrifices made by the people of the Blue Ridge Mountains so that Shenandoah National Park could be established and in the provision of a monument in the White Hall district dedicated to the families who lost their land to the creation of the Shenandoah National Park.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/BlueRidgeHeritageProject>.

Bill Henry gave a presentation on the many folks that had been displaced and how harsh the circumstances were in this migration of folks. There were some false accusations about these folks and the way they lived. Government wanted to remove these "mountain" folks from their situation and get them into civilization. Bill's organization is planning fundraising to build eight monuments of stone chimneys with the names of the displaced people to acknowledge them and their culture. The first of these has been constructed in Criglersville. The project and monuments have three

main objectives:

- 1) Honor people displaced
- 2) Keep their culture from slipping away
- 3) Tell the history of mountain people

Updates and News from Ann Mallek, our county supervisor.

Ann Mallek could not attend the meeting but sent the message that VDOT designs are underway for Harris Teeter area on Rt 250.

Old Business:

- Updates and report from the Downtown Crozet Initiative (DCI) CCA sub-committee and introduction of the website: www.downtowncrozetinitiative.com
A brief summary about their meetings and they will have their monthly meetings on the first Thursday at 12 noon at the library. Anyone can attend. Minutes of their December 17 meeting and the agenda of their January 7th were handed out to those present and will be posted on the www.downtowncrozetinitiative.com website.

New Business:

- **Election of CCA officers:** 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. Mike Marshall made the motion that the present officers be 2016 officers. Karl Pomeroy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- **Planning for Sixth Annual Crozet Swing Dance Fundraiser in March:** Date has not been set but will most likely be after our March meeting.

Comments or Questions:

Karl Pomeroy spoke on the Claudius Crozet Dog Park and how popular it has become! Dan Mahon spoke on the Trail Crew and the progress that is being made on the perimeter trail at the park as well as connecting several more areas. There were over 20 people at tonight's Crozet Trails Crew monthly meeting!

Announcements –

- **Charlottesville Municipal Band performance** at WAHS this summer – *Leo Mallek*
- **Crozet Community Advisory Committee (CCAC) meeting Wednesday, January 20 at 7:00 PM** at the Meadows (*Note Location Change*). **Details and notices on our website.**
- **Christmas tree recycling** through January 17 at Claudius Crozet Park.
- **Peachtree Baseball Registration** – January 19 at the Field School from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. Additional details at: <http://www.peachtreebaseball.com>
- **March 5 Lions Club Family Friendly Pancake Dinner at Field School**
- **March 12 White Hall Ruritan Race in White Hall**
- **July 2 Independence Day Event with fireworks**

Future Agenda Items?

The next CCA meeting is March 11, 2016 at 7:30 PM at the Field School
Crozet Community Association Website: <http://CrozetCommunity.org>