

GDCA Meeting Minutes
April 24, 2019
at the Home of Ranjeet Singh

Present

Jenny Girard
Dana Diaz
Kevin Swatt
Ranjeet Singh
Sara Kelly

Treasurer Report

We spent more than we brought in this year but overall we're still comfortable with where we stand. The neighborhood sign was an unexpected expense, but the membership drive is just about to begin and we still have t-shirts to sell.

Summerfield/Traffic calming with JV

Resident who lives on Summerfield wants to spearhead a joint effort with Jefferson Village to obtain signs that prohibit cut-through traffic to non residents during certain hours of the day. This effort is currently in its conceptual stages and may not involve the board other than passing along the request to initiate a study to the supervisor's office. The process to obtain these signs is different than that of the speed humps and the RPPD restrictions, and 75% of the impacted residents approval is required to start the study. The board will reach out to the resident willing to spearhead this effort to request proof of resident interest before we move forward with a letter to the supervisors office.

Draft agenda for annual meeting

The board has approved the agenda for the annual meeting.

District Supervisor Race -

Park update

Sara, along with two other Greenway Downs residents, had a meeting with 3 people from the Fairfax County Park Authority.

Immediate issue: Was for the FCPA going to haul away the debris piles left over from last years volunteer effort to remove invasive species along the creek bed.

Answer: Yes, the FCPA will haul away the current debris piles but said it would be several more weeks due to the lack of manpower and money resources in their department.

Long-term issue: Would the PA continue to support our volunteer efforts to keep the park free of invasive species, including the bamboo.

Answer: The FCPA values our volunteer efforts and we have permission to continue our work. However the FCPA has budget and manpower constraints and we are not a priority. They will no longer provide us

with a dumpster for bamboo, nor pick up loose piles of debris. They will pick up around 10-15 bagged debris/month.

Going forward: We will continue our Park volunteer workdays about twice a month. We will cut and trim, but leave it where it is to decompose, rather than build debris piles.

Newsletter

The "Around the Downs" newsletter will go to print this weekend and hardcopy distribution to all Greendowns households begin next week. A digital copy will be on our website at www.greenwaydowns.org.

Other -

- The board is going to create magnets to give out to residents to advertise a way to contact the board if they have questions and concerns.
- The board has been in discussions with neighbors involved in possible Lee Hwy Improvement project.

Unfinished Business from Previous Times

Iris Trieb

I got a call back today regarding 2770 Winchester. There were permits in place (not visible in FIDO since inspections hadn't occurred), but the building permits were cancelled as a result of no work being completed. Apparently the original contractor hired was paid \$70k and then ran off, and the permits were in their name. A violation notice was issued. The saga does continue, but as a result of the recent complaints there have been actions taken. They have put a boundary around the open area, and are allegedly hiring contractors to clean up the remaining detritus. They are in process of hiring a new contractor, and then will apply for new building permits. They are required to keep the barrier in place until they build.

Report from the Neighbors

Peter Upton

Also, so far no action on the two work requests I put in for Cavalier trail sidewalk, potholes, crumbling shoulders and clogged culverts. Maybe Ms. Richter can share how long it could take to get any kind of response from VDOT on stuff like that. I believe I already provided you with the work #s for that.