Regular Meeting of the Chester Heights Civic Association

Meeting Called to order on **6/6/2018** at 7:30 PM with the following Board members in attendance: Ray Inello, Paul Mazzola, Elena O'Mahony, Irene Sarno and Dawn Attwood. Approximately 25 members attended.

If any corrections list them here: N/A

Treasurer's Report:

Opening Balance	4968.14
Income/Dues Collected	231.50
Funds	5199.64
Expenses	0
Closing Balance	5199.64

Communications: Correspondence with TPAC regarding traffic issues on New Rochelle Road

Bills Against the CHCA: Liability insurance through Traveler's Insurance Company paid through period 12/2017 through 12/2018, based on collection of membership dues.

Membership Update: Out of the 258 residential homes in CH, 63 paid residential members to date for 2018.

Old Business:

Meetings to take place at Marble School House, pending completion of firehouse renovations

Community Relations

<u>Guest Speakers</u> – TUFSD Superintendent Carl Albano and Lee Lew, Head of Finance and Facilities presented budget plan prior to budget vote May 15

<u>CHCA Community</u> – discussion regarding potential expansion of boundaries to include side roads off New Rochelle Road and California Road (within Tuckahoe school district); would need commitment from those residents as to help with CHCA events, committees, etc.

<u>TUFSD</u> – budget presentation by superintendent at next meeting

<u>Traffic Issues</u> – 4 Board Members attended 4/24 Traffic Advisory Meeting, presented PDF file and bullet list of concerns with feasible inexpensive suggestions (traffic, timing of signals, striping, new signs). Positive reception.

Committee Members/Reports

- 1. Civic Affairs Bob Marziotti (chair), Steve Moschetta & Jason Attwood: (1) Gas station construction scheduled to conclude July; (2) Former Chase Bank site still vacant, no applications; (3) Permit issued 9/20/17 for internal construction to Chester Heights Bakery site, by owner no known lease applicants; (4) new clothing store, Karma Fashions; and (5) Gas line work on California Road to continue for few years, will result in temporary closures to California Road during work week.
- 2. Membership/New Residents/Welcome -Seth Goldberg/Randi Cappadora & Joseph Doherty.
- 3. Communications Elena O'Mahony: 203 email subscribers. Will advertise for needed additional membership on CHCA committees, potential membership levels
- 4. Events Susan Miele (chair), Elena O'Mahony, Irene Sarno, Anna Manca & Dawn Attwood: Potential upcoming events to be planned: Cocktail party at schoolhouse, picnic, Halloween, Tree Lighting, Community-wide Tag Sale
- 5. By-laws Tom Moore review of and proposed revisions to be drafted to 1955 by-laws
- 6. Small Business/Fundraising Andy Pierovich
- 7. Beautification Mario Pizzonia (chair) & Matt Manca star for community tree
- 8. Scholarship Noel Dallacco-Ammirati: scholarships to be awarded to CH seniors at June 6, 2018 meeting.

New Business:

<u>Scholarships Awarded</u> – Five CHCA scholarships awarded to the following high school graduates from Chester Heights: M. Santucci, N. Sasso, C. Killip, M. Iomazzo and S. O'Toole – awards ceremony and reception

Committee Members/Reports

1. Civic Affairs – Bob Marziotti (chair), Steve Moschetta & Jason Attwood:

504 New Rochelle Road (gas station/convenience store)

- Plans to open on July 2nd. At this point, the longest lead item is the proposed sidewalk/curb cut/cross walk improvements.
- 493 New Rochelle Road (former Chase bank)
 - Because of the size and nature of the building (small with a drivethrough window), the town periodically gets inquiries for drive-through food establishments and/or fast food restaurants. Because the Zoning

Law specifically prohibits drive-through windows at food service establishments and prohibits fast food restaurants, these types of businesses would require a use variance from the Zoning Board of Appeals — which is very difficult to obtain. If someone applied for a use variance, we'd all be notified and the application would be subject to a public hearing. So far, the town has not received any formal submissions regarding the property.

• 490 New Rochelle Road (former Chester Heights bakery)

 Although the owner has permits for interior and exterior improvements, the architect informed the town that they do not yet have any specific tenants.

• Other:

- No other pending issues in the area.
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Adjournment: There being no further business to be brought before the members a motion to adjourn was made by Elena O'Mahony and seconded by Dawn Attwood. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.