

Regular Meeting of the Chester Heights Civic Association Held Outdoors Across from the Firehouse

June 2nd 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Elena O'Mahony

Board Members Present: E. O'Mahony (president), D. Attwood (vice president), I. Sarno (treasurer), J. Balint (corresponding secretary), Ashley McCarrick (recording secretary);
Total Members Present: Over 30

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Events/happenings
 - a. Earth Day clean-up
 - i. In honor of earth day, a week of CH clean-up was scheduled from 4/23-5/1. 6 volunteers picked up loose garbage after collection day, Thank you to Nicholas O'Mahony, Matthew Gjelaj, Patrick Halloran, Susan & Maddie Miele, Kate Cen.
 - b. Art Walk is this weekend, if the weather is bad it may need to be postponed
 - c. Tag Sale is coming up
 - d. Summer picnic
 - i. Looking at July
- III. Playground
 - a. Woodchips being put down this week
 - b. A new safety gate is being installed
 - c. After playground concerns were raised at the April meeting, we contacted and met with the town to discuss safety and repair. The town has responded with repairing the gate, new wood chips and replacement of the Toddler playground in July.
- IV. Committee Reports
 - a. Treasurer's Report:
 - i. Opening Balance: \$8,905.59
 - ii. Credits: \$150.73 (dues & interest)
 - iii. Debits: (\$3,019.00) (scholarship, adopt 10 seniors, plants, refreshments)
 - iv. Closing Balance: \$6,037.32
 - b. Events Report:
 - i. The Events Committee hosted a multi-family tag sale on May 1st. Approximately 12 families set up tables to sell their items. It was quite successful! We had requests to sponsor another in the fall. We are looking into dates for that.
 - ii. We are currently planning our Annual CHCA picnic for early/mid July. Volunteers are needed.
 - c. Civic Affairs Report:
 - i. Nothing to report

- d. Beautification Report:
 - i. 4 hanging plants were purchased from the PTA plant sale and hung around the gazebo. 2 volunteers will water throughout the summer. 3 mums and 2 flag banners were added to the gazebo. Over Memorial Day weekend, petunias were planted in the 11 pots in front of the stores on New Rochelle Road. The stores were emailed to water them.
- e. Scholarship Report:
 - i. 5 Chester Heights high school seniors are the recipients of the CHCA 2021 scholarship. They were awarded at the June 2 meeting.
 - ii. Scholarship recipients: Melissa Deane, Lucas Iommazzo, Emily Mancino, Jack Milito, Jonathan Sasso
 - iii. The CHCA will be "adopting" all Chester Heights high school seniors (10) with a gift card and candy in June.
- f. Membership Reports:
 - i. Membership: There are currently 115 total members (6 businesses).
 - ii. Welcoming: Purchased 7 succulents from Annie, to deliver to sold houses. 6 were delivered on 6/2.
 - iii. Business: There are currently 6 members.
- g. Communications Report:
 - i. There are 267 email subscribers (203 are unique home addresses, 17 are not in CH, 11 are Businesses). The e-weekly is emailed every Saturday at 8am with new posts to Around Town and Classifieds. Around Town posts consist of local events, issues, CHCA notices, etc.
- h. By-Laws Report:
 - i. Nothing to report
- i. Website Report:
 - i. Updated for Tag Sale and Art Walk.
- V. Lt. J. Rodriguez, a representative from the EPD came and spoke to the committee about safety concerns and the patrols done by the department around our neighborhood.

Meeting adjourned 8:05pm