

**STRATHMORE-BEL PRE CIVIC ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES  
January 27, 2015**

DATE: January 27, 2015

TIME: 7:30 pm

PLACE: Montgomery County Recreation Center

**ATTENDEES:**

Nancy Bechtol	(President)	Bill Hammond	(Vice President)
Linda Bea	(Secretary)	Chris Swan	(Board)
Rita Vaught	(Board)	Elliot Chabot	(Board)
Maury Potosky	(Board)	Max Bronstein	(Board)
Lilla Hammond	(Board)		

**ABSENT:**

John Bogasky	(Treasurer)	Frank Corrigan	(Board)
Harry Klapper	(Board)	Dan Thomas	(Board)

**Old Business**

Minutes

Nancy will prepare the minutes from the October meeting for review.

Town Hall Meeting

The town hall meeting held in December was well received. Ten members from the Civic Association attended. There were 37 people in total. A variety of subjects were discussed.

Membership

Linda reported on membership. We have 262 members for the 2014-15 year.

**New Business**

Summer Entertainment Series

We will proceed with the entertainment series in 2015. There was discussion about increasing the number of events and whether we have the resources to manage all events. We will be looking for additional sponsors. Linda will check the membership database to see if any members have volunteered to help. John is investigating the cost of purchasing the equipment for the movie nights.

There was a suggestion to do some of the adult entertainment on Thursday nights. Chris would need a volunteer to help with set up. They usually run 7 – 9 pm.

Adjoining Neighborhoods

There was a discussion on whether to expand the SBPCA boundaries to include adjoining neighborhoods, such as a section of Layhill Village on Rippling Brook and the old Georgian Forest area near Norden and Regina. Maury will continue to collect information. We would invite these homes to join. If they accept, it would not be difficult to add these neighborhoods to the Civic Association.

The Bugle

Chris reported the deadline for articles is February 7. She will send a note out to listserv. The Bugle will be assembled February 21-22.

Treasurer's Report

There was no Treasurer's Report this month.

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BPRA

Chris Jennison is continuing to do a wonderful job on the website. Elliot encouraged everyone to take a look.

Elliot reported on the progress of the fence issue at Bustleton and Birchtree.

A question was asked about raising dues, and Elliot described the process required to do that.

Community Activities

Chris suggested we do a photo contest in 2015. Also, she suggested we have a contest in The Bugle entitled "Hey, That's My Mailbox"; where we include a mailbox from the neighborhood and have the people identify who owns that mailbox.

Meetings

Max provided testimony on January 13 in opposition of the new position of Development Ombudsman. There will be a working session on February 23 to talk about the issue. This is an expedited bill, which means if it is passed; it will go into effect immediately.

Transit Administration. Five members were appointed by Ike Leggett and approved by the Council to further public transit. Included in this bill to create this administration, is the ability for this group to raise the "transit" fee on our property tax bill without any regard to the maximum limit. Max will send letters on behalf of the Association to our representatives.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on February 24, 2015, in the large conference room at the Rec Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

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