

Lyon Park Civic Association

October 10, 2012 Meeting Minutes

Elliot Mandel called the joint meeting between Ashton Heights and Lyon Park to order at 7:30, and introduced Ashton Heights Civic Association president Scott Sklar. Elliott emphasized the issues that Lyon Park and Ashton Heights share, and listed some of the joint successes our neighborhoods have achieved, like the Irving Street Project and the lowered speed limit on Pershing Drive.

Both associations will be cooperating on Emergency Preparedness, under the leadership of Cleveland Street neighbor Laureen Daly, who will be working with the County's Emergency Preparedness Committee and the CERT committee. On October 18th the Great Shake Out will be held (everyone pretends there is a major earthquake at 10:18 AM nationwide) and everyone should duck, cover and hold on to something sturdy. Scott mentioned that we would like to help the County improve communication and emergency response – after El Derecho, many realized there was a need for the neighborhoods to cooperate on this.

Thanks were extended to Joey Durishin and **Ann Felker**?? for coordinating food for the joint meeting; the pumpkin soup was a treat.

Announcement: Dispose of your hazardous waste items this Saturday from 8:00-3:00.
Upcoming Events: Halloween Parade of Costumes on Saturday, September 27th, Chili Dinner at LPCC on September 27th, and Halloween Bonfire in Lyon Park on Halloween night from 7-9 PM.

Scott Sklar pointed out the development principles that Ashton Heights has agreed to as a community. Purpose is to create talking points that Civic Associations may use to cooperate in talking to developers.

Introduced Jim Feaster, chairman of the Neighborhoods Conservation Committee, is present tonight. He was thanked for all his work.

Elliott reviewed the list of candidates. Ashton Heights neighbor Carrie Johnson spoke to the group about the bonds on the upcoming ballot, and answered questions about them.

- APS School Bonds – \$42.62 M
- Metro and Transportation - \$31.95 M
- Community Infrastructure (includes Neighborhood Conservation and Facilities Maintenance and Information Technology/Public Safety) - \$28.31 M
- Parks & Recreation – \$50.55 M

School Board: Joanne Petty (campaign manager representing Noah Simon, who had an illness in the family) and Emma Violand-Sanchez were present, provided a statement and answered questions.

House of Representatives: Barbara Favola represented Congressman Jim Moran. Made a statement and answered questions. Congressman Moran's daughter, Mary, was present, as well as his chief of staff, who also answered some questions.

County Board: Libby Garvey, Matthew Wavro and Audrey Clements were present, provided a brief statement and answered questions.

Everyone was encouraged to vote, and the meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM.